

Total Mark (560 marks)

I- Vocabulary (100 marks)

A -From a, b, c, and d, choose the most suitable word that best completes each of the following sentences: (5x10=50 ms)

- 1- Last night, I watched a/an movie about a poor homeless family.
a) eldest b) touching c) practical d) ameliorated
- 2- On my first day at school, my friends welcomed me, which made me happy.
a) harshly b) mainly c) meticulously d) cordially
- 3- Dr. Suad Al-Sabah's to modern Arabic poetry is highly appreciated.
a) contribution b) weaving c) roundabout d) beverage
- 4- People believe that computer skills will their job opportunity.
a) inscribe b) enhance c) commemorate d) desert
- 5- The whole family always consults my grandfather, thanks to his wisdom.
a) decaffeinated b) irritated c) unrivalled d) cardiac

B- Fill in the spaces with the most suitable words from the list below: (5x10 = 50 ms)

(hospitality / launched / precious / interlocutor / reminisced / annual)

- 6- It is often said that nothing in life is more than time and health.
- 7- You should not interrupt your during the presentation.
- 8- One of the most common characteristics of people in Arabia is their
- 9- Kuwait a 36-kilometre causeway to link the capital directly with the North.
- 10- When we met after 20 years, we about the happy moments we had together.

II- Grammar (60 Marks)

A- From a, b, c, and d, choose the correct answer: (4x10=40 ms)

- 11- The price of strawberries went towards the end of the season.
a) off
b) up
c) against
d) through
- 12- The firemen faced many challenges, and eventually they put out the fire.
a) managed to
b) able to
c) are able to
d) can
- 13- After the students had finished their project, they it with the teacher.
a) discussed
b) had discussed
c) have discussed
d) discuss
- 14- the weather was bad yesterday, all the cars completed the race.
a) But
b) Although
c) In spite of
d) However

B- Do as required between brackets: (4x5 = 20 m)

- 15- If my uncle had taken some safety measures, (Complete)
a. If my uncle had taken some safety measures, he will get crashed.
b. If my uncle had taken some safety measures, he would get crashed.
c. If my uncle had taken some safety measures, he wouldn't have got crashed.
- 16- This game isn't suitable for kids. This game isn't suitable for adults.
(Use: neither...nor)
a. This game is neither suitable for kids nor for adults.
b. This game is neither suitable for kids nor is suitable for adults.
c. This game isn't neither suitable for kids nor isn't suitable for adults.
- 17- The boy (wait) since early morning, and his friend still hasn't turned up.
(Correct the verb)
a. The boy is waiting since early morning, and his friend still hasn't turned up.
b. The boy has been waiting since early morning, and his friend still hasn't turned up.
c. The boy waited since early morning, and his friend still hasn't turned up.
- 18- Once my father arrived home, his manager called him. (Use: no sooner)
a. No sooner my father arrived home than his manager called him.
b. No sooner my father had arrived home than his manager called him.
c. No sooner had my father arrived home than his manager called him.

III- Language Functions (40 Marks)

Write what you would say in each of the following situations: (4x10=40 ms)

19- You are at the school library, and one of your classmates is making noise.

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20- Your parents support your decision to complete your higher studies abroad.

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21- Your family suggests travelling to Spain instead of Dubai next summer.

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22- The exams are very near, and your brother is wasting his time on the Internet.

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IV- Set Book (40 Marks)

Answer only (FOUR) of the following questions: (4x10=40 ms)

23- Why has the Qurain Cultural Festival become the centre of cultural dialogue?

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24- In your opinion, why was the coffee house a favourable meeting place for people?

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25- How does poor communication affect relationships?

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26- Throughout history, people used writing for different purposes. Explain.

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27- Why is family meetings important for all people?

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V- Writing (120 Marks)

Write on the following topic: (Descriptive)

“Hajj is a religious obligation that all able Muslims should seek to undertake at least once in their lifetime.”

You have recently celebrated your father’s return from the Hajj. **Plan & write** an essay of **14 sentences** (160 words) describing the preparations you made and the things you and your family members did during the celebration.

**** Your writing should include an introduction, 2 body paragraphs and a conclusion.**

(Outline - 20 Marks)

Introduction:

Body:

Paragraph 1 :

Paragraph 2 :

Conclusion :

Outlining	Exposition of ideas & coherence	Paragraphing & number of sentences	Spelling	Grammar	Handwriting, spacing & punctuation	Total
20	60	10	10	10	10	120

VI- Reading Comprehension (110 marks)

Read the following passage and answer the questions below:

Aileen Riggin was born in 1906. Her father was in the navy serving in Philippines. There, she learned to swim at age 6. Around age 11, as she recovered from the flu, her doctor recommended swimming to rebuild her strength. Diving became one of her favourite activities. At that time, many people feared diving as it was too dangerous for women and girls. So, most indoor swimming pools would not let Aileen practise her lovable sport. Aileen decided to find other ways to practice her favourite sport. She joined the U.S Olympic trials. She used an outdoor tide pool; where ocean water gathered between rocks. Female divers dived there. **They** had to wait for the high tide to practise diving. When conditions were perfect, the tide pool was just like a real swimming pool!

At age 14 Aileen qualified for the 1920 U.S Olympic diving and swim team. Thanks to her qualification, she was able to travel around the world. On the 13-day journey to Belgium, Aileen practised swimming in a small swimming pool to be physically prepared for the competitions. Conditions at the Olympic Games were not much better since Belgium was still **recovering** from World War I. The outdoor pools were so muddy, Aileen was afraid that when she dived in, she would get stuck at the bottom forever. During the competition, she overcame her fears and won the gold medal in diving! She became the youngest Olympic gold medalist of her time at age 14.

At the 1924 Olympics in Paris, Aileen again competed in both swimming and diving. She won a silver medal for the 3 metre-springboard event and a bronze medal in the 100 metre-backstroke competition, making her the first person to earn medals in both diving and swimming in the same Olympic year.

Aileen made films, performed all over the world, and later became a sportswriter and she never stopped swimming. At age 85, she broke six world records for her group at the World Masters Swimming Championships. She continued to swim well into her nineties. Up to her death at age 96, she was the oldest living female Olympic medalist.

A- From a, b, c and d choose the correct answer: (5x10=50 ms)

28- The best title for this passage is:

- a. The Gold Medalist
- b. Travelling Overseas
- c. World War I Effects
- d. The Dangers of Swimming

29- The underlined word "recovering" in the 2nd paragraph means:

- a. travelling through time
- b. returning to normal state
- c. practising different activities
- d. being completely indifferent

30- The underlined word "They" in the 1st paragraph refers to:

- a. rocks
- b. other ways
- c. female divers
- d. Olympic trials

31- What's the purpose of the writer?

- a. To persuade people to take indoor activities.
- b. To tell us a story of an ambitious champion.
- c. To advise the readers to stop practising diving.
- d. To inform people about the dangers of tide pools.

32- According to the last paragraph, ONE of the following statements is NOT TRUE:

- a. Aileen produced films broadcasted all over the world.
- b. Aileen became a sportswriter and continued to swim.
- c. Aileen decided to end up her sports career at age 85.
- d. Aileen broke a number of records in her competitions

B- With reference to the passage, answer the following questions: (4X15=60 ms)

33- Where did Aileen first start to learn swimming?

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34- Why wouldn't most indoor pools let Aileen practise swimming?

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35- When did Aileen qualify for the US Olympic diving and swim team?

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36- How did World War I affect sports in Belgium?

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VII- Summary Making (60 Ms)

Read the following passage carefully, then do as required:

There are many reasons why we want to achieve success. Success is strongly related to our life plans. Achieving some milestones like graduating or getting a desired job brings us positive feelings.

In addition, in many cases we want to experience benefits related with the achievement of a certain goal. This makes our success desirable and enjoyable. We shouldn't also forget that achieving success adds value to us. It is deep in our nature that we love the taste of winning. Furthermore, we all make mistakes which raise a strong force that will push us towards further goals. We lost, but in the end, we want to win. This victory can make up for all previous unpleasant experiences and failure.

In a paragraph of FOUR sentences ONLY, summarise and paraphrase the passage above in answer to the following question:

Why do we want to achieve success?

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	Content / relevance of ideas	Paraphrasing	Spelling and grammar	Format	Total
Rubrics	30	20	5	5	60

VIII – Translation (30 marks)

Translate the following into English: (2x15=30 ms)

أحمد : الديوانية هي تجمع غير رسمي للرجال لمناقشة الأمور الرياضية والأدبية والسياسية.
علي : وهي تلعب دورا جوهريا لتعزيز الروابط القوية بين العائلات في الكويت.

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