

Unit One

Social gatherings and patriotic events function as a mirror reflecting the culture and traditions of a country.

Plan and write a **Descriptive** essay of 14 sentences (160 words) describing what is happening in these events and which one you prefer most and why.

Outline

Introduction:

Hook: What else could bring people together other than social gatherings and patriotic events?

Background: Social gatherings and patriotic events function as a mirror reflecting the culture and traditions of a country.

Thesis: In this essay, I will talk about what is happening in these events and which one I prefer most and why.

Body:

Paragraph one

What is happening in these events

- socialize and have fun
- watch concerts and firework displays
- wear nice clothes and have food
- do shopping (sales)

التواصل و المرح
مشاهدة الحفلات و الألعاب النارية
ارتداء ملابس جميلة و تناول الطعام
التسوق (أثناء التنزيلات)

Paragraph two

Why I prefer patriotic events

- commemorate certain events
- reflect our culture
- remind us of our history
- more people take part in them

إحياء ذكرى مناسبات معينة
تعكس ثقافتنا
تذكرنا بتاريخنا
عدد أكبر من الناس يشاركون فيها

Conclusion: To sum up, social gatherings and patriotic events are a great source of fun. However, I prefer patriotic events most because they celebrate our country's history and its heroes.

صفوة من الكويت

(المناسبات الوطنية)

What else could bring people together other than social gatherings and patriotic events? Social gatherings and patriotic events function as a mirror reflecting the culture and traditions of a country. In this essay, I will talk about what is happening in these events and which one I prefer most and why.

During social and patriotic events, people can enjoy doing a lot of things. For example, they can socialize and have fun. Also, they can watch concerts and firework displays. In addition, they wear nice clothes and have food. Finally, they can do shopping while patriotic events as a lot of shops make sales.

Personally, I prefer patriotic events for different reasons. First, they commemorate certain events related to our past. Second, they reflect our culture. Third, they remind us of our glorious history. Finally, more people take part in patriotic events.

To sum up, social gatherings and patriotic events are a great source of fun and entertainment. However, I prefer patriotic events most because they celebrate our country's history and its heroes.



Unit One

"Hajj is a sacred pilgrimage that is required of every Muslim at least once in their lifetime – it is one of the fifth pillars of Islam."

Plan and write a **Descriptive** essay of 14 sentences (160 words) describing what is happening in the Hajj and How Muslims get ready for the Hajj.

Outline

Introduction:

Hook: Have you ever thought of performing the Hajj?

Background: Every year, millions of Muslims from around the world gather in Mecca to perform the Hajj.

Thesis: In this essay, I will talk about what is happening in the Hajj and how Muslims get ready for the Hajj.

Body:

Paragraph one

what is happening in the Hajj

- one of the five pillars
- the same rituals
- white clothes
- purity and equality

أحد أركان الإسلام الخمسة
نفس الشعائر
ملابس بيضاء
النقاء و المساواة

Paragraph two

How Muslims get ready for the Hajj

- get the ihram clothing
- have enough money
- debts and financial obligations
- seek forgiveness

شراء ملابس الإحرام
امتلاك المال الكافي
الديون و الالتزامات المالية
طلب المسامحة

Conclusion: To sum up, the Hajj is a great pillar of Islam. It is also a great opportunity for all Muslims to attain forgiveness from Allah.

صفوة طمى الكويت

(وصف الحج وكيف يستعد المسلمون للحج)

Have you ever thought of performing the Hajj? Every year, millions of Muslims from around the world gather in Mecca to perform the Hajj. In this essay, I will talk about what is happening in the Hajj and how Muslims get ready for the Hajj.

The Hajj is a religious and spiritual duty for all Muslims. It is one of the five pillars of Islam. Muslims come from all over the world to Mecca to do the same rituals. They wear white clothes called *ihram* clothing. The colour white symbolizes purity, as well as the unity and equality of all believers.

Muslims get ready for the Hajj by doing many things. First, they should get the *ihram* clothing. Second, they should have enough money. Third, all debts and financial obligations must be fully discharged. Finally, they must seek forgiveness from those they may have hurt in any way in the past.

To sum up, the Hajj is a great pillar of Islam. It is also a great opportunity for all Muslims to attain forgiveness from Allah.



Unit Two

Family celebrations are important occasions to strengthen family ties and bring family members together.

Plan and write a **Descriptive** essay of not less than 14 sentences (160 words) describing a family celebration you remember well **in terms of the place, the people, and the activities you enjoyed.**

Outline

Introduction:

Hook: What else could bring family members together other than family celebrations?

Background: Family celebrations can play a vital role in reinforcing family ties.

Thesis: In this essay, I will talk about my birthday party in terms of the place, the people, and the activities I enjoyed.

Body:

Paragraph one

The place, people and general atmosphere

- the hall in our house
- richly decorated
- elegantly dressed
- fascinating party

الصالَة في البيت
تزيين بشكل وافر
لباس أنيق
حفلة رائعة

Paragraph two

The activities included in the celebration

- dancing and singing
- sharing the birthday cake with guests
- having food and drinks
- taking photos

الرقص و الغناء
تقاسم الكيك مع الضيوف
تناول الطعام و الشراب
التقاط الصور

Conclusion: To sum up, family celebrations are important as they bring family members together. In addition, they are a great time where family members can socialize with relatives and friends and have fun.

صفوة علي الكلوب

(وصف حفلة عيد ميلاد)

What else could bring family members together other than family celebrations? Family celebrations can play a vital role in reinforcing family ties. In this essay, I will talk about my birthday party in terms of the place, the people, and the activities I enjoyed.

The party was held last year in the hall in our house. The place was richly decorated with attractive coloured balloons and lights. My guests were elegantly dressed. Everything was pretty nice and I had great feelings. It was really a fascinating birthday party.

During the party, we enjoyed a lot of wonderful activities. First, we danced and sang joyfully. Then, the birthday cake was shared with all guests . After that, a lot of tasty dishes were served to add more fun to the atmosphere. At the end of the party, we took photos and I received gifts from my relatives and friends.

To sum up, family celebrations are important occasions as they bring family members together. In addition, they are a great time where family members can socialize with relatives and friends and have fun.



Unit Three

“When you leave a beautiful place, you carry it with you wherever you go.” – A. Stoddard

Plan and write a **Descriptive** essay of not less than 14 sentences (160 words) describing **your favourite meeting place and the activities you enjoy doing there.**

Outline

Introduction:

Hook: What could bring people together other than a wonderful meeting place like a café?

Background: Meeting in a café has become so popular nowadays.

Thesis: In this essay, I will talk about my favourite meeting place and the activities I enjoy doing there.

Body:

Paragraph one

My favorite meeting place

- located in the city centre
- big and cozy
- dim lights
- simple and elegant décor

تقع في مركز المدينة
كبيرة و مريحة
أضواء خافتة
ديكور أنيق وبسيط

Paragraph two

The activities I enjoy doing there

- chat with my friends
- watch football matches
- play chess
- have hot beverages

أتحدث مع الأصدقاء
أشاهد مباريات كرة القدم
ألعب الشطرنج
تناول المشروبات الساخنة

Conclusion: To sum up, there are many interesting places for people to meet. However, I prefer "The Tea House" as it is the place where I feel comfortable and relaxed.

صفوة محمد الكلوب

(مكان اللقاء المفضل) (المقهى)

What could bring people together other than a wonderful meeting place like a café? Meeting in a café has become so popular nowadays. In this essay, I will talk about my favourite meeting place and the activities I enjoy doing there.

My Favorite meeting place is a café called " The Tea House". It is located in the city center. It is big and cozy where you can enjoy listening to relaxing music. The lights in the café are dim, which creates a relaxed atmosphere. The decor of the café is simple yet elegant.

When I meet my friends in the " The Tea House", we enjoy doing a lot of activities. For example, we spend a long time chatting about different topics. Also, we sometimes watch exciting football matches. In addition, we play chess or cards. Finally, we always enjoy having hot beverages such as coffee and tea.

To sum up, there are many interesting places for people to meet. However, I prefer "The Tea House" as it is the place where I feel comfortable and relaxed.



Unit Three

“ Diwaniyas are informal social gatherings, usually of Kuwaitis men".

Plan and write a **Descriptive** essay of not less than 14 sentences (160 words) describing the Diwaniya in Kuwait and the functions it can serve in Kuwaiti society. (What Kuwaitis do in diwaniyas)

Outline

Introduction:

Hook: Did you know that the diwaniya originates from Arabic word " *Diwan*"?

Background: Meeting in the diwaniya is a part of Kuwaitis' traditions.

Thesis: In this essay, I will talk about the diwaniya in Kuwait and the functions it can serve in Kuwaiti society.

Body:

Paragraph one

The Diwaniya in Kuwait

- spacious and a U-shape
 - comfortably furnished
 - many cushions
 - equipped with modern sets
- واسعة و لها شكل حرف يو
مفروشة بشكل مريح
وسائد كثيرة
مزودة بأجهزة حديثة

Paragraph two

The functions it can serve

- socializing
 - weddings and funeral ceremonies
 - watch football games
 - political function
- التواصل
مناسبات الأعراس و العزاء
مشاهدة كرة القدم
وظيفة سياسية

Conclusion: To sum up, gathering at diwaniyas is an essential part of the lifestyle and culture in Kuwait. Moreover, the diwaniya can serve different functions in Kuwaiti society.



(الديوانية ودورها في المجتمع الكويتي)

Did you know that the diwaniya originates from Arabic word " Diwan"? Meeting in the diwaniya is a part of Kuwaitis' traditions. In this essay, I will talk about the diwaniya in Kuwait and the functions it can serve in Kuwaiti society.

The diwaniya in Kuwait is usually near or inside the owner's house. It is often spacious and has a U-shape. It is comfortably furnished for the guests. There are many cushions arranged in a specific way to be used as seats and armrests. Modern diwaniyas are equipped with modern TV sets.

Kuwaitis gather in diwaniyas for different purposes. For example, they meet to socialize and talk about different topics. Also, weddings and funeral ceremonies would be held in diwaniyas. In addition, young people meet in the diwaniya to watch football games. Finally, the diwaniya can play a political function in times of parliament elections.

To sum up, gathering at diwaniyas is an essential part of the lifestyle and culture in Kuwait. Moreover, the diwaniya can serve different functions in Kuwaiti society.



Unit Four

" Good communication is just as stimulating as a black coffee."

Plan and write a **Descriptive** report of 14 sentences (160 words) describing a person's outstanding communication skills and how he is able to ensure effective communication.

Outline

Introduction:

Hook: Did you know that poor communication is at the root of a large number of personal problems?

Background: Communication skills are the abilities you use when giving and receiving different kinds of information.

Thesis: In this essay, I will talk about a person's outstanding communication skills and how he is able to ensure effective communication.

Body:

Paragraph one

A person's outstanding communication skills

- active listening
- giving and receiving feedback
- empathy
- understanding nonverbal cues

Paragraph two

How to ensure effective communication

- ask for paraphrases and repetitions
- listen between the lines.
- don't react to emotional words
- don't judge before you comprehend.

Conclusion: To sum up, effective communication is an essential component of healthy relationships. Therefore, one should have good communication skills and be able to ensure effective communication.

صفوة من الكلوب

(مهارات التواصل)

Did you know that poor communication is at the root of a large number of personal problems? Communication skills are the abilities you use when giving and receiving different kinds of information. In this essay, I will talk about a person's outstanding communication skills and how he is able to ensure effective communication.

There are different types of communication skills to help you become an effective communicator. First, a good communication skill is active listening. Second, strong communicators can accept and give critical feedback. Third, a good communicator has empathy and can understand and share the emotions of others. Finally, strong communicators understand nonverbal cues such as body language, facial expressions and eye contact.

There are many ways to ensure effective communication. For example, good listeners should ask for paraphrases and repetitions to make sure they understand the message. Also, they should listen between the lines. In addition, they shouldn't react to emotional words. Finally, they shouldn't judge before they comprehend.

To sum up, effective communication is an essential component of healthy relationships. Therefore, one should have good communication skills and be able to ensure effective communication.



Unit Five

“To learn a language is to have one more window from which to look at the world” – Chinese proverb

Plan and write a **Descriptive** essay of not less than 14 sentences (160 words) about a language you have recently learned, describing **the difficulties you have faced while learning it and the benefits you gained from learning it.**

Outline

Introduction:

Hook: Have you ever thought of learning a foreign language?

Background: Learning a language changes the way you see other people.

Thesis: In this essay, I will talk about the difficulties I have faced while learning French and the benefits I gained from learning it.

Body:

Paragraph one **The difficulties I have faced while learning French**

- lack of practice opportunities
- fear of speaking with strangers
- loss of motivation
- expecting it to be easy

Paragraph two **The benefits I gained from learning it**

- improve memory
- enhanced problem solving skills
- more flexible and creative thinking
- job opportunities

Conclusion: To sum up, learning a new language is not an easy task. However, one can get a lot of benefits from learning a new language.



(تعلم لغة جديدة) الصعوبات والفوائد

Have you ever thought of learning a foreign language? Learning a language changes the way you see other people. While learning French, I faced a lot of difficulties, but I gained a lot of benefits.

I faced a lot of difficulties while I was learning French. For example, lack of opportunity to practice what I was learning was a great challenge for me. Also, I was afraid of speaking with strangers because I thought I would make a lot of mistakes. In addition, the biggest obstacle to learning French was loss of motivation. Finally, I expected that learning French would be easy, but I was wrong.

After learning French, I gained a lot of benefits. First, learning French improved my memory as I had to memorize a lot of new words. Second, it enhanced my problem-solving skills. Third, it gave more flexible and creative thinking. Finally, it offered me a lot of job opportunities.

To sum up, learning a new language is not an easy task. However, one can get a lot of benefits from learning a new language.



Unit Six

Our use of mobile phones always receives a great deal of media attention. Lately, mobile phones have become a necessity for people of miscellaneous ages and occupations.

Plan & write a **Descriptive** essay of not less than 14 sentences (160 words) describing a mobile phone you have recently bought and talking about the different uses of it.

Outline

Introduction:

Hook: Did you know that your mobile phone is more powerful than a spaceship?

Background: The first mobile was actually sold in the United States in 1983 and cost around \$4,000.

Thesis: In this essay, I will talk about a mobile phone I have recently bought and the different uses of it.

Body:

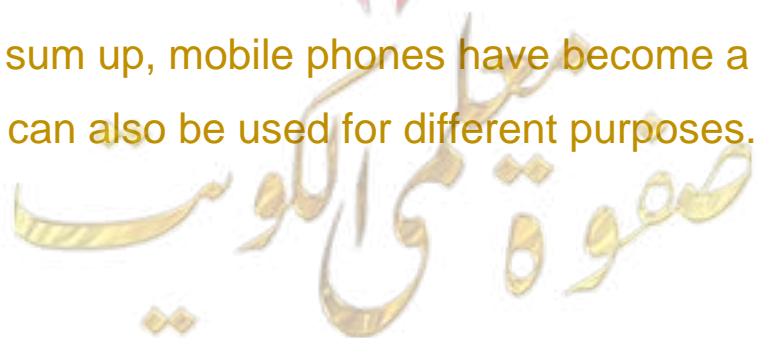
Paragraph one **The mobile phone I have recently bought**

- best smartphone
- a beautiful design
- advanced dual-camera system
- a new wide camera

Paragraph two **The different uses of it**

- communication
- education
- promoting business
- entertainment

Conclusion: To sum up, mobile phones have become a necessity nowadays. They can also be used for different purposes.



(الهواتف)

Did you know that your mobile phone is more powerful than a spaceship? The first mobile was actually sold in the United States in 1983 and cost around \$4,000. In this essay, I will talk about a mobile phone I have recently bought and the different uses of it.

The new iPhone I have recently bought is amazing for different reasons. First, it is the best smartphone because it is the last edition of iPhones. Second, it has a beautiful design with gorgeous colour. Third, it has the most advanced dual-camera system ever on iPhone. Finally, it has a new wide camera with bigger pixels and sensor offering improvements in low-light photos and videos.

I use my new iPhone for different purposes. For example, I use my new iPhone to communicate with my relatives and friends. Also, I use it to acquire knowledge or information on various topics. In addition, I use my phone to promote my business through social media websites. Finally, I use my phone for entertainment as I can watch movies, listen to songs, and play games.

To sum up, mobile phones have become a necessity for people of different ages and occupations nowadays. They can also be used for different purposes.

