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I - Read the passage below and choose the one best answer A,B,C or D to each questions. (6 pts)

There are many theories of aging, but virtually all fall into the category of being hypotheses with a minimum of supporting evidence. One viewpoint is that aging occurs as the body's organ systems become less efficient. Thus failures in the immune system, hormonal system, and nervous system could all produce characteristics that we associate with aging. Following a different vein, many current researchers are looking for evidence at the cellular and subcellular level. It has been shown that cells such as human fibroblasts (generalized tissue cells) grown in culture divide only a limited number of times and then die. (Only cancer cells seem immortal in this respect.) Fibroblast cells from an embryo divide more times than those taken from an adult. Thus some researchers believe that aging occurs at the cellular level and is part of the cell's genetic makeup. Any event that disturbs the cell's genetic machinery such as mutation, damaging chemicals in the cell's environment, or loss of genetic material, could cause cells to lose their ability to divide and thus bring on aging. Other theories of aging look at different processes.

Chronological aging refers to the passage of time since birth and is usually measured in years. While chronological age can be useful in estimating the average status of a large group of people, it is a poor indicator of an individual person's status because there is a tremendous amount of variation from one individual to the next in regard to the rate at which biological age changes occur. For example, on the average, aging results in people losing much of their ability to perform strenuous activities, yet some elderly individuals are excellent marathon runners.

Another type of aging is cosmetic aging, which consists of changes in outward appearance with advancing age. This includes changes in the body and changes in other aspects of a person's appearance, such as the style of hair and clothing, the type of eyeglasses, and the use of a hearing aid. Like chronological aging, it is frequently used to estimate the degree to which other types of aging have occurred. However, it is an inaccurate for either purpose because of variation among individuals and because a person's appearance is affected by many factors that are not part of aging, including illness, poor nutrition, and exposure to sunlight.

1. The author believes the theories of aging are

- A - well-supported hypotheses
- C- proven theories

- B - poorly supported hypotheses
- D - interesting ideas

2. In line 5 the word "evidence" refers to

- A - evidence of aging
- C- evidence of human fibroblasts

- B- evidence of cancer
- C- evidence of cell division

3. The word "vein" in line 4 is closest in meaning to  
 A- part of the body  
 B- point of view  
 C- blood vessel  
 D- cellular level
4. The author of the article points out that cancer cells  
 A- divide infinitely  
 B- divide and then die  
 B- divide more in adults than in embryos  
 D- bring on aging
5. It can be inferred from the passage that fibroblast cells  
 A- divide fewer times at later stages in human life  
 B- are not a focus in cellular research on aging  
 C- are similar to cancer cells in rate of division  
 D- disfunction in the aging process of the body's immune system
6. As explained in this passage, the theory of aging which examines the cellular level would NOT assign which of the following as a cause of aging?  
 A- Mutation  
 B- failure of the body's organ system  
 C- Loss of genetic material  
 D- Chemical damage from the environment

**II - Put the verbs in brackets into the correct tense. (3 pts)**

- 1- ..... (know) him for ten years and I still can't predict how he will react.
- 2- Don't pick that box up in case you ..... (hurt) your back.
- 3- While Tom ..... (wait) for the plane, he did some shopping in the airport.
- 4- The children were very excited because it was the first time they ..... (ever/travel) abroad.
- 5- How long ..... (you/spend) at the gym last night?
- 6- Do you think many tourists ..... (visit) the festival next year?

**III - Fill the gaps with a suitable preposition. (3 pts)**

- 1- Boredom amongst young people can lead ..... an increase in crime.
- 2- Improvement in technology will result ..... more leisure time for working people.
- 3- Advertisements encourage people to spend money ..... things that they do not need.
- 4- The view over the mountains reminds me ..... my home village.
- 5- Try and make use ..... every opportunity to practice speaking English.
- 6- Are you good ..... learning languages?

**IV - Use the correct form of the word in capitals at the end of the sentence to fill the gap. (3 pts)**

- 1- Researchers have established a close ..... with the gorillas they are studying. **RELATION**
- 2- Scientists are preparing a report and will publish their ..... next month. **CONCLUDE**
- 3- The dictionary gives a complicated ..... of intelligence. **DEFINE**
- 4- Dolphins are ..... curious animals. **NATURE**
- 5- There are fewer ..... than you may imagine between apes and humans. **DIFFER**
- 6- We need stricter ..... to prevent animals from being treated cruelly. **LEGISLATE**

**V - Writing (5 pts)**

Write a well-organized paragraph on how science has contributed to human's longevity (long life)

### Comprehension:

- 1-Does the writer feel the climatic changes have been more extreme in recent years?  
Illustrate your answer. (2 pts)  
2-What was important about the 1780s? (2pts)

### Vocabulary:

Find words or phrases in the context that corresponds to the definitions in the table on the right. Use the parts of the speech to help you. (1.5pt)

- a- parallel (3)      b- period of ten years (3)      c- at the wrong time of year (3)

### Grammar

- A. Join the following sentences together to make one sentence. (2.5pts)

Eyestrain may occur.

It will lead to headaches.

It will lead to lack of concentration.

These may occur when the machine used for long periods.

There are some precautions that will reduce the problem.

You can take these precautions.

- B. Writing: (12 pts)

Choose one of the topics below and write a comparison of around 300 words. Use the paragraph plan to help you organize your work.

#### Topic 1:

The most extraordinary weather I have ever encountered.

#### Paragraph 1:

What are the most extreme weather conditions you have ever?

Experienced? Where did this experienced occur?

#### Paragraph 2:

What time of year was it? Was there any warning of what happened? Had the conditions been forecast?

#### Paragraph 3:

Were you indoors or out doors? What did you do?

#### Paragraph 4:

How long did these conditions last? What replaced them? How did you feel?

#### Topic 2:

Some people today are graduating without ever setting foot in a classroom, at least not a typical class room. They are using access to the internet to attend classes and even obtain degrees. These made learning available to people who might not be able to "get" an education in the traditional manner.

How do you feel about this new type of education? Support your ideas with examples.

Good work

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Few people in northern countries enjoy the long, dark nights and cold temperatures of winter. According to scientist, wintery conditions may be making some people ill. They suffer from seasonal affective disorder (SAD) or "the winter blues". Sufferers become depressed as winter approaches, get even more depressed as the days become shorter but recover rapidly in spring. The symptoms can be very serious and can be mistaken for signs of mental illness. The further you live from the equator, the more likely you are to be affected by SAD and that 5% are chronic cases.

Take the case of Janet Blake, a 30-year old public relation officer for a film distribution company. As the temperature dropped and the nights became longer she found it more and more difficult to carry out her duties at work. Her job was very stressful and involved making speeches and appearing on TV and radio. "The pressure was too much," she said. "Things became unbearable. I felt really low. When I had to travel to my office in the dark and come home in the dark I could stand it no longer. I just could not cut any more". She started to sleep 3 or 4 hours longer than usual, felt drowsy, eight more and spent hour after hour slumped in an armchair in front of the TV she often burst into tears for no reason at all and had no interest in other people. "I put on a lot of weight", she said "and became very sluggish. I was in a state of utter despair". In the end she was forced to give up her job.

At first, doctors tried to treat her with drugs, but without success. Fortunately, her case came to the attention of Dr. Hamish MacRae, who has made a special study of SAD. His research had shown him that there was a simple and very effective cure-light. When SAD sufferers are exposed to artificial light which simulates sun light, they get better almost immediately. Dr MacRae had a special light box installed in Janet's home. She made a rapid recovery and was able to return to work. "The problems seem to be caused by lack of light rather than by low temperatures" said Dr MacRae." It seems that some people feel the desire to hibernate in winter in the same way that many animals do. Ironically, SAD sufferers often become hyperactive in spring. They swing from extreme to the other, In spring sunshine they become very talkative and cannot sleep or sit still. The light box can help to keep their behavior in balance.

### Comprehension (4.5 pts)

1. How many people suffer from SAD?
2. What symptoms did Janet Blake have?
3. What finally convinced Janet Blake that she could not continue working?
4. Why was Janet fortunate to meet Dr McRae, what is the cause of SAD?
6. What problems do SAD sufferers have at other times of the year?

### Vocabulary (3 pts)

Pick out from the text words that have the same or similar meaning to the following:

Fall heavily\_ indication of illness\_ un able to remain still\_ lasting for a long time\_ sadness\_ hope less.

Grammar:

1- Use the word given in capitals at the end of each line to form a word that fits in the space in the same line: (2.5 pts)

School inspectors have found that, contrary to all (0) Expectations children don't (1).....home work at all. In fact, many do more Than their teachers suggest, either because of (2).....about their marks or simply for (3).....the inspectors findings add to the evidence of the (4) .....beneficial effects of home work on pupils (5) .....

Expect  
Like  
Anxious  
Enjoy  
Power  
Achieve

The inspectors also recommend the (6)..... of home work charters. These tell parents and children how much (7)..... Work is expected and provide (8).....to schools to form links with parents who can check that tasks are (9) .....completed.

Introduce  
add  
Encourage  
Proper

International (10)..... suggest that atypical 14- year-old does six Hours home work in Britain, eight hours in Italy, and almost nine hours in Hungary, Japan and Poland.

Compare

2- fill in the blanks with suitable preposition:

(2pts)

- a- Bill's car broke .....on his way to work early this morning.
- b- Sam arrived from Beirut .....a cold night.
- c- Tim and Eileen have spilt.....
- d- he set the alarm clock ..... six am but he didn't hear it.
- e- Roy's parents don't approve .....his relation ship with.....Simon.
- f- Farid lies.....his family .....where he had spent the last three months.

Composition: choose one of the following subjects: (8pts)

- 1) How does pollution affect our lives, what can be done about it? Write a short article. (80-100 words)
- 2) Some people believe that the Earth is being harmed (damaged) by human activity. Others feel that human activity makes the Earth a better place to live. What is your opinion? Use specific reasons and examples to support your answer (80-100 words).

Good Luck

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## 1. Reading Comprehension

Read the following text to find out what the essential characteristics of a quarrel are according to the author.

### Quarrelling

Great emotional and intellectual resources are demanded in quarrels; stamina helps, as does a capacity for obsession. But no one is born a good quarreler; the craft must be learned.

There are two generally recognized apprenticeships. First, and universally preferred, is a long childhood spent in the company of fractious siblings, after several years of rainy afternoons, brothers and sisters develop a sure feel for the tactics of attrition and the niceties of strategy so necessary in first-rate quarrelling.

The only child, or the child of peace full or repressed household, is likely to grow up failing to understand that quarrels, unlike arguments, are not about any thing, least of all the pursuit of truth. The apparent subject of a quarrel is a mere pretext; the real business is the quarrel itself.

Essentially, adversaries in a quarrel are out to establish or rescue their dignity. Hence the elementary principle: any thing may be said. The unschooled, probably no less quarrelsome by inclination than anyone else, may spend an hour with knocking heart, shifting the consequences of calling this old acquaintance a lying fraud. Too late"" with a cheerful wave the old acquaintance has left the room.

Those who miss their first apprenticeship may care to enroll in the second, the bad marriage. This can be perilous for the neophyte; the mutual intimacy of supposes makes them at once more vulnerable and more dangerous in attack. Once sex is involved the stakes are higher all round. And there is an unspoken rule that those who love, or have loved, one another are granted a license for unlimited beastliness such as is denied to mere sworn enemies. For all that, some of our most tenacious black belt quarrelers have come to it late in life and mastered every through, from the crushing silence to the gloating apology in less than 10 years of marriage.

A quarrel may last years. Among brooding types with time on their hands, like writers have a life time is not uncommon. In its most refined form, a quarrel may consist of the participants no talking to each other. They will need to scheme laboriously to appear in public together to register their silence.

Brief, violent quarrels are also known as rows. In all cases the essential ingredient remains the same; the original cause must be forgotten as soon as possible. From here on, dignity, pride, self-esteem, honors are the crucial issues, which are why quarreling, like jealousy, is in all consuming business, virtually a profession. For the quarreler's very self-hood is on the line. To loose an argument is a brief disappointment, much like loosing a game of tennis; but to be crushed in a quarrel.... Rather bite off your tongue and spread it at your opponent's feet.

#### A. Look at paragraph 2-5 and find the words which mean the same as:

1. Bad tempered (2).
2. Brothers and sisters (2).
3. Process of tiring or weakening (2).

4. Excuse (3).
5. Temperament (4).
6. Examining closely (4).
7. Novice/ beginner (5).
8. Husbands and wives (5).
9. Risks (5).
10. Persistent (5).

**B. Complete these statements by choosing the answer which you think fits best.**

1. Unschooled quarrelers are said to be at a disadvantage because
  - a. Their insults fail to offend their opponent.
  - b. They reveal their nervousness to their opponent.
  - c. They suffer from remorse for what they've said.
  - d. They are apprehensive about speaking their minds.
2. According to the writer, quarrels between married couples may, according to the writer,
  - a. Physically violent.
  - b. Extremely bitter.
  - c. Essentially trivial.
  - d. Sincerely regretted.
3. When quarrelling, both children and married couples may, according to the writer
  - a. Be particularly brutal.
  - b. Use politeness as a weapon.
  - c. Employ skilful man oeuvres.
  - d. Exaggerate their feelings.

**C. Answer the following questions by giving complete answers.**

- 1) What is the difference between a quarrel and argument?
- 2) How does the writer treat quarrelling?

**2. Writing skills:**

Write a well organized essay or one of the following topics:

- 1) Imagine that you are a social historian living 100 years from now. Write an article for a popular magazine describing what every day life was like in the distant 1990s.  
(About 350 words)
- 2) No matter what we do and no matter how hard we try human rights violations will never end. Discuss. (350 words).

Good luck

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المدّة: ساعة واحدة.



## 1. Reading comprehension:

Read the following passage then answer the question that follows:

Famine, one of the most dangerous problems in our world, is the result of many factors. It is a deep poverty that has its root in the infra structure of a society.

Having many inter-related causes, famine has become fatal problem facing many countries. Famine is first a result of scarcity. Natural resources are scarce and must be nationalized in order to satisfy all communities. On the other hand, something else could happen: each group with in the community could try to own for itself what nature offers for all. As a result, scarce productive resources are stolen by a strong minority while the majority suffers from need. Second, famine has become a strategic factor. Powerful states manipulate it in order to rule over the poor states by accelerating their famine and obliging them to pay a great amount of debts in exchange for aid. Some African and Latin American countries are clear examples of such practices. Third, famine is a result of an inefficiency, and underdevelopment. Poor countries cannot employ resources full because the level of technology of their productive machines is very low. This fact obliges them to ask for foreign help from rich countries. Which in turn leads to unemployment and new social to problems also accelerating famine?

A- Choose the best answer according to the text: (6 pts)

1. According to the writer, famine is first caused by the .....
  - a. In availability of enough natural resources to satisfy the majority's needs.
  - b. Unequal distribution of raw materials favoring one political group over another.
  - c. Insufficiency of natural resources and by the problem of unequal distribution.
2. Some Latin and African countries are example of .....
  - a. Strong minority's misuse of available natural resources.
  - b. The manipulation of famine by powerful countries for political control.
  - c. The fear underdeveloped countries have of foreign domination.
3. The third cause of famine is .....
  - a. Inadequate industrial systems.
  - b. Deprivation necessitating external help.
  - c. Political impositions by rich countries.
4. A suitable title for this passage is .....
  - a. Famine: a fatal problem.
  - b. The multiple cause of famine.
  - c. The effects of famine.

**B. circle the correct answer: (2 pts)**

1. Fatal

- a. Causing of death
- b. Slim
- c. Drastic

3. Scarce

- a. common
- b. rare
- c. rapid

2. Aid

- a. Change
- b. Try
- c. Help

4. accelerating

- a. moving
- b. increasing
- c. adding

**2. Grammar (5pts)**

- Use any appropriate tense for the verbs in parentheses:

Don't write the whole text: just write the correct tense for verbs in parentheses.

The weather (be) (1) terrible since we (arrive) (2) here last month. It (rain) (3) off and on for two days, and the temperature (drop) (4) at least twenty degrees. It (be) (5) in the low 40s right now. Three days ago, the sun (shine) (6) and the weather (be) (7) pleasant. The weather certainly (change) (8) quickly here. I never know what to expect. Who knows? When I (wake) (9) up tomorrow morning, may be it (snow) (10).

**3. Writing: (7 pts)**

- Write about 10 lines on one of the two following subjects.

- 1. In your opinion, what is the most important invention in this century? Why? Discuss.
- 2. What are the things that make a person healthy? Discuss.

**Good work!**

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مجلس طلاب الفرع-1

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المدة: ساعة واحدة.



## Reading comprehension:

Read the following passage then answer the questions that follow:

### Eating the Health Way

If you feel fat, your body is trying to tell you some thing: lose weight.

I want to assure you that you can get to ideal weight and stay at your ideal weight- and be and feel healthy – and enjoy food. In fact, you can enjoy as much food as you're eating now: you just need to swap some less-fattening food for some of the fattening food you're eating. Perhaps you're diet expert, you've tired every one going and your weight has gone up and down like a yo-yo. Or may be you've never been on a diet before, know you need to loose some weight but are confused by the conflicting advice when you flick through diet books and magazines. Or perhaps you're interested in your family's health and their weight and you want to under stand about healthy food as well as slimming food.

Whoever you are, if you let it, this book could change your life. A big claim? A tall story? How do you know I'm not a quack? Well, I am a doctor, but being medically qualified doesn't absolve one from being wrong. There are diet books on sale which are written by doctors and are mistaken: in fact they are sometimes shocking in the out dated and in correct advice they offer.

But the main views expressed in this book are not only my own: they are also held by the over whelming majority of medical and nutritional experts around the world. There is know a medical consensus on the sort of diet we should follow to lose weight – which is also the healthiest diet we can eat.

No one can claim we know all there is to know about nutrition, obesity and healthy eating as there are still gaps in our knowledge. But what we can now confidently assert is that the healthiest diet – the one which most reduces the risk of wide range of diseases- is also the safest and most effective one to return you to your ideal weight and keep you there. This is good news after all; every one wants to be slim and healthy. Not thin and ill.

A) Choose the best answer according to the text: (2pts)

- |                             |                         |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. Swap                     | 3. Flick                |
| a. Exchange                 | a. look through quickly |
| b. Eat                      | b. study                |
| c. Cook                     | c. consult              |
| 2. Conflicting              | 4. surplus              |
| a. Difficult to understand. | a. extra                |
| b. Of different kinds.      | b. sufficient           |
| c. disagreeing              | c. benefit              |

**B) read the text and answer these questions: (4 pts)**

1. Who does the writer think should read this book?
2. Who can people lose weight while eating as much food as they are eating now?
3. Why does this doctor claim the authority to write this book?
4. What kind of diet is the healthiest, according to the book?

**Grammar**

**a. Complete the sentences with the correct form of the words in capitals. (3 pts)**

1. The inventor was very ..... when he was asked detailed questions about his latest ideas.

Suspicion

2. You must be very ..... when handling this equipment.

Care

3. The fumes given off in the metal making process were .....

Poison

4. The student got ..... Advice from his science teacher.

Help

5. He's such an ..... Designer that he will use any one who can help him in his career.

Ambition

6. Mike's decision to leave the company was .....

Disaster

**b. these sentences contain errors. Write out the sentences correctly. (4pts)**

1. He gave me some advice about buying furniture.
2. be careful not to loose your money?
3. Before to go on holiday, we had the car serviced
4. I suggest you to ask for a refund.

**Writing (7pts)**

Write about 10 lines on one of the two following subjects:

1. Some educators believe that to graduate from a university a student should study courses from a wide variety of subjects. Other educators believe that is better for a university graduate to have a strong specialization. Discuss the advantages of each position, and then indicate which position you think is better and justify your response.
2. Good health is the most important thing in life. Discuss.

Good work

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المدة: ساعة واحدة.



1. Read the following text carefully, and then choose the correct answer (4pts)

### Taking the strain

#### A pain in the neck

PEOPLE USUALLY think of stress as some thing the work inflicts on them. Worry and hassle are blamed for all kinds of ailments, from asthma to headaches, from high blood pressure to stomach ulcers. And we often blame other people for making us feel bad: when we call some one a "pain in the neck", we are describing the physical and psychological effect they have on us.

But although it is tempting to regard stress as some nasty germ attacking us from outside, the truth is that we are largely responsible for what stress does to our bodies. Once we make ourselves aware of how our bodies respond to worry, fear, anger and fatigue (all of which are forms of stress), we can start learning to relax.

Pains in the neck are a very common stress complaint. Some people get a pain in the neck from driving, others from working at an office desk. I suffer from complaint I call "typewriter neck", which tends to strike when I am hunched over my type writer worrying about an approaching deadline. (Arthritis or bone injuries might also give you a pain in the neck, of course, but I suspect that these are a much less common cause than muscular tension).

It would be easy to blame these pains on "bad posture". Hunching your shoulders up to your ears is certainly not a relaxing way of sitting. But we should first think about why we adopt this posture. In fact, it is an instinctive way of reacting to a situation which alarms or worries us. It is a defensive stance – and many people find that they tend to make their hands into a fist or grip their steering wheel or the arms of chair at the same time.

Because it is instinctive, we are often not aware that we are doing it and wonder why we get a pain in the neck. If you find yourself doing it, there are two kinds of relaxation exercise which may help you overcome the habit. You can either exaggerate it: deliberately raise your shoulders as high as they will go, hold the position for a few seconds, then drop your shoulders, and feel the difference. Alternatively, you can exercise the muscles which pull your shoulders in to opposite direction: balance your head on the top of your neck so that it is not dragging your shoulders forward, then draw your shoulders down towards your feet. Stop and feel the difference.

If you are fist-clinchers, try similar routines with your hands. Clench them very tightly, then let go. Or stretch and splay your fingers and thumbs, then stop and feel the difference as they rest on your thighs.

Though simple, these exercises should help your regain control of these parts of your body.

1. People suffer from stress because .....
  - a. Modern life is a full of worries.
  - b. Other people inflict I on them.
  - c. They don't know how to relax.
  - d. They have no time to relax.
2. The writer gets a pain in the neck when he....
  - a. Is driving.
  - b. Is in a hurry to finish some work.
  - c. Is stuck in a traffic jam.
  - d. Meets annoying people.
3. The writer describes altogether ....
  - a. One exercise.
  - b. Two exercise.
  - c. Three exercise.
  - d. Four exercise.
4. The idea of the exercise recommended by the writer is to help you to ....
  - a. become a relaxed person.
  - b. Feel different.
  - c. Know what your muscles are doing.
  - d. Relax for a short while.

2. Vocabulary:

Pick from the text a words that nearly has the same contextual meaning as: (1pt)

- 1- To thrust one self forward. (Paragraph 3)
- 2- To pull along with pain and difficulty. (paragraph 5)

3. Grammar

- a. Put the verbs between brackets in the correct tense. (3 pts)
  1. I doubt if you (get) home before midnight.
  2. Give me a ring on Monday. I (hear) the results by then.
  3. I can't believe it. This time next week (I swim) in the Indian Ocean.
- b. Fill in the blanks with the suitable preposition. (1.5 pts )
  1. My father is recovering..... a heart attack.
  2. Marry lied ..... her family about where she had spent last weekend.
  3. Bill has a reputation ..... Being a professional artist.
- c. Complete the sentences with the correct form of the word in the brackets. (1.5 pts )
  1. We were kept so busy in the course that we could never complain of ..... (Bore).
  2. Diana heaved a sigh of ..... when she heard she passed the exam. (relieve)
  3. My new shoes were extremely ..... And pinched my toes. (comfort)

4. Writing: (9 pts)

Write a well organized essay about the following topic:

"Do you think all people handle problems in the same way? Do you think people from different backgrounds and cultures respond differently to crises?"

Good Luck



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### Part I - Reading comprehension

#### About beauty

Over the past three decades, the popular magazine *Psychology Today* has conducted several surveys on how people feel about the appearance of their bodies. The changing results make for interesting reading. The dramatic changes in American culture have significantly altered people's perceptions of themselves. In 1972, 23 per cent of American women were dissatisfied with their appearance, but by 1997 that figure had risen to 56 per cent. In 1972, 15 percent of men were dissatisfied with their appearance, but by 1997 that figure had risen to 43 per cent.

Images of beauty are everywhere. Pictures of handsome men and beautiful women can be found in glossy magazines, on television, billboards, consumer products and the Internet. In the developed world the incredibly strong interest in the body and beauty is intensifying. The beauty industry, despite nearly thirty years of feminism, is a multi-billion dollar a year business.

In the United Kingdom, visit any news agent and you will find dozens of magazines on various aspects of style, fashion and health. There are several magazines just devoted to the topic of hairstyles and hair care. Men's magazines tell men how to get flat stomachs and strong muscles. Images of slim, fit models seem to be everywhere and vast numbers of women are overly concerned about their weight. Yet despite this preoccupation with beauty and despite the well-publicized health risks, over a third of Americans are extremely fat. The English are catching up quickly. But yet, while one third are extremely fat, for others giving up food is a serious and potentially fatal mental health problem.

The images of beauty everywhere are not the average man or woman. Few ordinary people can aspire to look like the images of the exceptional beauties that the media presents us with. The models, actors and actresses are selected from the thousands who apply. They are statistically exceptional in their appearance. Not only do professional stylists and make-up artists spend hours doing their hair and make-up, but they spend hours in the gym. However, in films and soap operas, they are often placed in ordinary situations so that we all feel that they are our competition.

To suggest that we can either have something very beautiful and desirable if we purchase a car or look very beautiful and desirable if we use a certain hair conditioner and eye-makeup sells products very effectively. This is because it touches on some very deep-rooted worries in human psychology and offers an answer to them.

Feminists have blamed men and society. Socialists have blamed capitalists and the advertising industry. But what is really going on? Why are both men and women more preoccupied, more anxious, about being beautiful these days than ever before?

To be beautiful is presented as being the answer to a problem. The developed countries of the world are going through a period of great turbulence. Just as the Industrial Revolution of the 1800s led to great changes in society, so too is the Information Revolution of the late twentieth and twenty-first centuries. And it is happening fast.

For hundreds of thousands of years our ancestors were hunter-gatherers. Civilization and cities are only a few thousand years old. Just as our bodies evolved over those countless millennia in order to adapt and survive, so did our psychologies. The reasons why it is so important for women to be beautiful and man to be strong and handsome are deeply rooted in the human psyche and are the product of hundreds of thousands of years of evolution.

Read the article and decide if the statements are true (T) or false (F). (5 pts)

- 1- In twenty-five years, the number of American women dissatisfied with their looks has decreased radically. T/F
- 2- Because of thirty years of feminism, the beauty industry is no longer a money-making business T/F
- 3- There are people who spend a lot of time maintaining the exceptional beauty of models and actors. T/F
- 4- We are often convinced that buying certain make or brand of a product will make us look more attractive T/F
- 5- The importance of feeling beautiful is deeply rooted in the human mind. T/F

Part II – Grammar Skill

Circle the correct answer. (5 pts)

- 1- \_\_\_\_\_ are considered one of the fastest animals.  
a. deers                      b. deer                      c. deeries                      d. deeres
- 2- The boat drifted in the \_\_\_\_\_ sea.  
a. wide                      b. widely                      c. widen                      d. wider
- 3- What a fine bull! The farmer must be proud of \_\_\_\_\_.  
a. he                      b. him                      c. her                      d. it
- 4- How rude \_\_\_\_\_ you to say that \_\_\_\_\_ him.  
a. of —for                      b. to —to                      c. of —in                      d. of —to
- 5- The patient \_\_\_\_\_ for the doctor since 2 o'clock.  
a. has been waiting                      b. have been waiting                      c. has been wait                      d. waited

Part III – Writing Skill (10 pts)

Write a well-organized essay on the following topic, "If you had the chance to describe yourself in one word, what would that word be?" Elaborate.



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مسابقة في اللغة الانكليزية Set A

المدة : 60 د

**I- Read the following passage carefully and then circle the best answer. (3.5pts)**

In some rural agricultural societies, the collection of available fuel such as firewood, dung cake, and agricultural waste can take 200 to 300 person-days per year. As well as being time consuming, the typical patterns of collection lead to deforestation, soil erosion, and ecological imbalances. In the future, experts predict that even if food supplies are adequate for rural populations, fuel supplies for domestic use may not be.

In the light of such considerations, a team in India has developed a solar oven for home uses. The oven is cheaply constructed, easily operated, and extremely energy efficient. The device consists of an inner and outer metal box, a top cover, and two panes of plain glass. The inner box is painted black to absorb maximum solar radiation. The space between the two boxes is filled with an insulating material, such as rice husks, which are easily available and which, because of their high silicon content, neither attract insects nor rot easily. Other easily available materials for insulation are ground nutshells or coconut shells. An adjustable mirror mounted on one side of the oven box reflects the sunlight into the interior, boosting the temperature by 15-30 degrees Celsius. This is most useful during the winter when the sun is lower. Inside the oven, a temperature between 80 and 120 degrees Celsius above ambient temperature can be maintained. This is sufficient to cook food gradually but surely. Trials have shown that all typical food dishes can be prepared in this solar device without loss of taste or nutrition.

- 1- This passage is mainly about  
a- deforestation in the rural agricultural societies      c- design and use of a solar oven  
b- use of rice husks in an insulation material      d- maintenance of temperature in a solar oven
- 2- Which one of the following reasons is not mentioned for using rice husks as insulating material?  
a- They are easily available.      c- They don't rot easily.  
b- They don't attract insects.      d- They reflect sunlight.
- 3- According to the passage, the use of an adjustable mirror increases the oven temperature by  
a- 80-120 degrees Celsius      c- up to 30 degrees Celsius  
b- at least 80 degrees Celsius      d- up to 15 degrees Celsius
- 4- Where would this kind of oven be most useful?  
a- on a camping trip      c- in a rural community  
b- in a busy restaurant      d- in a cold wintery climate
- 5- Which of the following is NOT mentioned as a typical fuel in parts of rural agricultural societies?  
a- firewood      c- solar power  
b- dung cake      d- agricultural waste
- 6- According to the passage, the adjustable mirror is most useful  
a- at midday      c- when firewood is lacking  
b- during the winter      d- to improve taste and nutrition

7- It can be inferred from the passage that the solar oven might prove most useful to a family in an agricultural society because

- a- it will save time
- b- it is easy to construct
- c- it doesn't attract insects
- d- it cooks all kinds of food

## II- Vocabulary

Find words from the passage that have the same meaning as the following words. (2pts)

- a- sufficient/satisfactory
- b- an increase in
- c- atmosphere
- d- covering or separating something with material that stops something

## III- Grammar

1- Fill in the blanks with correct form of the verb. (2pts)

- a- After we \_\_\_\_\_ (know) Michelle for a few months, we invited her over for lunch.
- b- Paul arrived four hours late. He explained that his car \_\_\_\_\_ (break down) in Lyon.
- c- If I were you, I \_\_\_\_\_ (devote) more time to studying instead of playing football all day long.
- d- I am looking forward to \_\_\_\_\_ (visit) my in-laws in London again.

2- Choose the correct option. (1.5pt)

- a- They wouldn't come unless they (want-wanted-would want) to buy something.
- b- If you (gave-give-would give) him some money, he'd stop asking you.
- c- I (will-wouldn't-won't) know how to contact her unless she gets in touch.

3- Complete the second sentence of each pair so it has the same meaning as the first. Use two or three words including the verbs in brackets. (2pts)

- a- They stopped going out together a year ago.  
They \_\_\_\_\_ a year ago. (Split)
- b- The party will be canceled because of the rain.  
They \_\_\_\_\_ the party because of the rain. (Call)
- c- Miners tolerate terrible working conditions.  
Miners \_\_\_\_\_ terrible working conditions. (Put)
- d- I asked her what was happening.  
I asked her what \_\_\_\_\_ (Go)

## III- Writing (9pts)

Write on ONE of the following topics.

A- Being healthy means living in a healthy environment.

In a well organized essay of three paragraphs, mention the factors that help you maintain good health.

B- Some educators believe that to graduate from a university, a student should study courses from a wide variety of subjects. Other educators believe that it is better for a university graduate to have a strong specialization. Discuss the advantages of each position. Then indicate which position you think is better and justify your response.

مباراة الدخول ٢٠١٢ - ٢٠١٣

مسابقة في اللغة العربية

المدة : ساعة واحدة

- ١- ... نعم، ضروري أن يكون لبنان، لأن له شخصية بها يتفرد، وهو وطن لجميع بنيه، قائم بذاته، مستقل كاصح ما يكون الاستقلال، وليست الطبيعة الفاتنة هي قوام شخصيته، كلا، ولا الثروة المودعة في احشاء ارضيه، ولا اتساع رقعته، ولا الكثرة العددية من سكانه، فهذه كلها ما كانت لتؤلف قوام شخصيته او عماد ميزة لوطن من الاوطان، وانما يكتسب الوطن اهم خصائص شخصيته من عناصر اخرى مردها الى ما يقوم في هذا الوطن من حكم وطني سيّد مستقل، والى ما يتركز عليه النظام من ديمقراطية وعدالة وحرية، مع ما يتبع ذلك من مستوى حضاري رفيع بلغة المواطنين.
- ٢- اتي لا اقول ان لبنان بلد الحرية والتسامح في الشرق العربي، بل اذهب الى ابعد من ذلك، فأؤكد ان لبنان هو البلد الذي لا تمكن فيه الا الحرية والتسامح ... ولقد وجب هذا على لبنان منذ ان تنوع مواطنوه في الدين و في المذاهب، وتنوعوا احيانا في اصولهم الجنسية، وأن وطناً هؤلاء مواطنوه، لا سبيل له الا سبيل الحرية.
- ٣- سيظل لبنان حيث هو، وحيث كان، من الطبيعة ومن التاريخ، همزة وصل بين الشرق والغرب اللذين يلتقيان فيه، وستبقى ثقافته هي المثلى ورسالته هي الفضلى.

### اولاً : في الفهم والتحليل

- ١- اوضح بأسلوبك الشخصي، وفي حدود الثلاثين كلمة، القضية التي يطرحها الكاتب في الفقرة الاولى من النص ( ٣ علامات)
- ٢- أكد الكاتب في الفقرة الثانية وجوب قيام لبنان على الحرية والتسامح. كيف علل ذلك؟ ابد رأيك بايجاز (علامتان)
- ٣- عيّن نوع النص وعرّف به بالاستناد الى اربعة مؤشرات بارزة فيه ومقرونة بالشواهد ( ٣ علامات)
- ٤- اضبط اواخر الكلمات في الفقرة الثالثة من النص. (لا يعتبر الضمير آخر الكلمة) (علامتان)

### ثانياً : التعبير الكتابي

"اقبل ان التسامح يبني الوطن اما التعصب فيهدمه". حلل هذا القول مبدياً رأيك (١٢-١٥ سطراً)  
(١٠ علامات)