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Read the following text carefully, and then in your ANSWER BOOKLET answer all the questions that follow it. Your answer should be based on the text. (24 points)

Health conditions in Jordan are among the best in the Middle East. This is largely due to the country's commitment to making healthcare for all a top priority. Advances in education, economic conditions, sanitation, clean water, diet and housing have made our community healthier.

As a result of careful planning, the number of healthcare services has been increasing rapidly over the past years. More than 800 different kinds of healthcare centres have been built, as well as 188 dental clinics. In 2012 CE, 98 per cent of Jordanian children were fully immunised. Thanks to immunisation teams that had been working towards this goal for several years.

Although the country has been focusing mainly on improving its primary healthcare facilities, it has not neglected its advanced medical facilities. The reputation of Jordanian doctors has spread in the region, and now many more patients' come to Jordan for open heart surgery. In Jordan, the open heart surgery programme started in 1970 CE in Amman.

The life expectancy figures show that Jordan's healthcare system is successful. In 1965 CE, the average Jordanian's life expectancy was age 50. In 2012 CE, this average life expectancy had risen to 73. According to UNICEF statistics, between 1981 CE and 1991 CE, Jordan's infant mortality rates declined more rapidly than anywhere else in the world - from 70 deaths per 1,000 births in 1981 CE to only 32 deaths per 1,000 births in 2014 CE. The low infant mortality rate, as well as the excellent healthcare system, have been contributing factors to Jordan's healthy population growth, which will result in a strong work force with economic benefits for the whole country. These have been contributing factors to Jordan's healthy population growth. This will be producing a strong work force and economic benefits for the whole country next decades.

1. There are two contributing factors to Jordan's healthy population growth. Mention them.
2. There are many factors have made our community healthier. Mention four of these factors.
3. The healthy population growth in Jordan leads to many positive results. Mention two of these results.
4. Quote the sentence which indicates the date of beginning open heart surgery in Jordan.
5. What does the underlined pronoun (its) refer to?
6. Find a noun phrase in the text which means "**people who are able to work**"
7. It is known that Jordanian doctors are famous for their medical skills. Explain this statement, and suggest three reasons that make Jordanian doctors are the most skillful in Arab World.
8. It is said that "patients come not only from Jordan but also from other countries in the region, and this will increase the Jordanian economy". Explain this statement, and in your point of view, write down two sentences.

Question Number Two (22 points)

A. Choose the suitable item from those given to complete each of the following sentences and write it down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (8 points)

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1. The need for more effective planning is evident when we consider modern day problems like traffic
2. you canagain after a difficult time and keep going to achieve your goals.
3. Students always an interest in using tablets and their smart phones in their lessons at schools.
4. The benefits of outweigh any other disadvantages or criticism.

B. Study the following sentence and answer the question that follows. Write the answer in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (4 points)

1. Armed robbers were caught red-handed yesterday as they were about to carry out a raid on a security van.’
What does the underlined **colour idiom** mean?
2. Manal got angry when she discovered that her friend lied to her.
Replace the underlined phrase with a suitable colour idiom

C. Choose the suitable words to complete the following sentences (10 points)

1. The craftspeople also produce a range of woodentoys and games.
(educational, education, educate)
2. Electric, driverless cars will as public transport vehicles.
(operate, operatively, operation)
3. The picture was drawn by the artist.
(skillfully, skillful, skill)
4. I the toys we buy should work straight out of the package.
(expectancy, expectant , expect)
5. Who was the most writer of the twentieth century ?
(influence – influential – influentially)

Question Number Three (38 points)

A. Choose the correct word to complete the following sentences , then write your answer down in your answer booklet. (30 points)

1. I didn't write the letter . I had itby my secretary.
(repair, repaired, repairing)
2. I intend medicine at the university.
(to studying, studying, to study)
3. New cars In Germany in 2012.
(are produced, was produced, were produced)
4. By 7 o'clock tonight. I doing homework.
(will have finished, had finished, finished)
5. Aqaba in the south of Jordan.
(locates, is locating, is located)
6. By the end of 2010 CE, companies more smartphones than PCs
(had sold, have sold, sold)
7. Nour an essay all morning.
(have been writing, was writing, has been writing)
8. I an email when my laptop was switched itself off.
(wrote, was writing, am writing)
9. The year Queen Ranis opened the museum was 2007
(where, when. Who)
10. He said hePetra the previous day.
(visited, visiting, had visited)
11. When I was a child, I to school on foot.
(am used to going, use to go, used to go)
12. It was Jaber ibn Hayyan made all of his experiments in a laboratory in Iraq
(where, whose, that)
13. The government..... a modern capital next the old one.
(hope to establish, hopes to establishing, hopes to establish)
14. A student oftenan essay using information in Internet.
(write, wrote, writes)
15. I think I will be living in Karak, and IGeography in two years' time.
(will be study, will have studying, will be studying)

B. Complete the following sentences so that the new sentence is similar in meaning to the one before it, then write it down in your ANSWER BOOKLET: (8 points)

1. I think you should buy a new car.
If
2. "I bought all the ingredients for a chocolate cake yesterday".
Huda told me

3. Thomas Edison developed many devices that greatly influenced life around the world.
The person
4. It is normal for us to eat frozen meat.
We

Question Number Five: (16 points)

A: EDITING: (4 points)

Imagine you are an editor in the Jordan Times, you are asked to edit the following lines that have four mistakes (one grammar mistakes , one punctuation mistake and two spelling mistakes). Correct them. Write the correct answers down in your ANSWER BOOKLET.

The Internet is a fantastic tool if it is use correctly. However, there are dangers that people should know about? Today, I'm talking to Professor Ghanem, who is an expert in ICT – or Information and Communikation Technology. He advises young people about how to stay safe on the Internet. Many computers have felters which stop people seeing certain websites.

B. GUIDED WRITING: (5 points)

Read the information below then, and write two sentences about advantages of megaprojects to people and the environment.

- bring new economic growth and benefits to cities.
- provide jobs opportunities.
- add benefit the budget.
- support the factories.

C. Free writing: (7 points)

In your ANSWER BOOKLET, write a composition of about 120 words on ONE of the following:

1. With the increasing of advanced technology, people all over the world will find everything easy to do by this advanced technology. Write an essay predicting technological advances by the year 2100 CE.
2. There are many medical advances which help doctor to treat patients successfully. Write an essay predicting medical advances by the year 2100 CE.

**Best Wishes
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