

I- Read the following text then do the tasks below:

One of the famous old cities in Syria is Apamea which is an ancient site on the bank of the Orontes River. There are extensive ruins which tourists can walk around and where they can learn about many different civilizations. So, last summer, Ahmad and his family decided to camp there for two days.

When they arrived in the evening, the first thing they did was set up their camp. The sky was very clear and they could see millions of stars. The next morning was very hot but they visited the Roman city. There were enormous columns and high walls which were amazing.

The next day was another scorching hot day and they climbed up the hill to the medieval citadel. The ruins were interesting and the views from the top were incredible and they could see a long way across Syria. As the sun went down over the plain, they saw the buildings change colour, from dark red to pink and purple. It was an amazing sight they will never forget.

Answer the following questions: (21 marks)

1. Why do tourists visit Apamea?
2. How did they reach the citadel?
3. What happened to the view of the buildings during sunset?

Find words in the text which mean the following: (21 marks)

4. very old
5. large area of flat land, usually without trees
6. difficult to believe, impossible

Rewrite these sentences about the text to correct the information: (16 marks)

7. Apamea is located too far from the Orontes River.
8. When Ahmad's family arrived in Apamea in the evening, they first stayed in a hotel.

II- Read the following text then do the tasks below:

Samuel Beckett wrote novels, plays and poems in both French and English about human nature. In his works, he suggests that the purpose of life is not something that is given to us; it is something we must make for ourselves. This way of thinking is known as 'absurdism'.

Waiting for Godot is one of the most **famous** absurdist plays. The play is also somewhat symbolic. In the play, Beckett uses **satire** so that we can understand his views on human nature. Its two main characters – Vladimir and Estragon – are waiting for the mysterious Godot, who will **probably** never arrive. While they are waiting, they cannot find a purpose for their lives.

In this way, we see their foolishness and begin to understand how silly Beckett thinks it is to wait for a purpose, rather than making your own. His play is both tragic and comedic because he uses satire to make us laugh at his characters' silly behaviour at the same time as making us feel pity for them because of how they behave.

Choose the correct answer a, b or c: (14 marks)

9. Both Vladimir and Estragon behave in a ----- way.
a- nervous b- stupid c- logical
10. According to Beckett, the purpose of life is something ----- .
a- offered to us
b- impossible to achieve
c- we should work for

Match two of the underlined words from the text to the definitions/meanings below:

(14 marks)

11. a type of literature that makes fun of people
12. known by many people

Complete the following sentences with information from the text: (14 marks)

13. Beckett's writings are about
14. "*Waiting for Godot*" is both

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اللغة الإنكليزية

(انتبه إلى رقم السؤال بحيث يتطابق مع رقم الجواب ولا تنقل صيغة السؤال إلى ورقة الإجابة)

<p>III- Complete the following paragraph by filling in the gaps: (28 marks)</p> <p>15. Although zoos exist all over ----- world, some people are against them. The main objection to</p> <p>16. zoos is that wild animals have to ----- kept in</p> <p>17. captivity. ----- often have to live in small</p> <p>18. cages where people can look ----- them.</p>	<p>VII- Complete the following sentences using clauses: (20 marks)</p> <p>32. Nadia was happy because</p> <p>33. I will help you if</p>
<p>IV- Fill in the spaces with words from the list. Use each word once only: (30 marks)</p> <p>friends, until, soldiers, study, poetry, born</p> <p>19. Rupert Brooke was ----- in England. He won a</p> <p>20. scholarship to---- at the University of Cambridge.</p> <p>21. He later became ----- with writers and politicians.</p> <p>22. In 1914, Brooke began writing ----- in praise</p> <p>23. of England and in support of its -----.</p>	<p>VIII- Choose the correct words in brackets: (28 marks)</p> <p>34. I live near the bus station. I can't (put up with, come up with) the traffic noise.</p> <p>35. The students are (making, doing) research for their project.</p> <p>36. Landline phones are heavy (so that, whereas) mobile phones are light.</p> <p>37. Syria has an amazing (nature, natural).</p>
<p>V- Complete the following dialogue by writing suitable questions or answers. Write at least three words for each question: (40 marks)</p> <p>24. Mazen: ? Sami: My brother had a job interview yesterday.</p> <p>25. Mazen: ? Sami: He is going to work in a big company.</p> <p>26. Mazen: ? Sami: He will work 8 hours a day.</p> <p>Mazen: What is your advice to him?</p> <p>27. Sami:</p>	<p>IX- Correct the verbs in brackets: (28 marks)</p> <p>38. Our company (build) a new bridge last month.</p> <p>39. By 1950, most people of my town (leave) to work in the city.</p> <p>40. My brother is enjoying his holiday in Lattakia. He usually (spend) many hours on the beach.</p> <p>41. Khalid (paint) his house since the morning.</p>
<p>VI- Rewrite the following sentences as required in brackets: (40 marks)</p> <p>28. I don't have my glasses with me. (use "I wish")</p> <p>29. "I visited my friend yesterday." (report using "She said")</p> <p>30. Most people don't repair their cars themselves. (use the causative verb 'have')</p> <p>31. Many countries recycle large quantities of rubbish every year. (make passive voice)</p>	<p>X- Translation: Translate the following sentence into Arabic: (10 marks)</p> <p>42. Tom Sawyer likes helping adults to correct their mistaken view of the world.</p> <p>Translate the following sentence into English: (10 marks)</p> <p>43. - يجب علينا احترام القوانين لنعيش حياة آمنة.</p>
	<p>XI- Composition: (66 marks) Write a composition of no less than 80 words on the following topic:</p> <p>"Do you think companies should allow their employees to use work computers for their own purposes?"</p>

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