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# KINGDOM OF BAHRAIN <br> MINISTRY OF EDUCATION DIRECTORATE OF EXAMINATIONS GENERAL AND RELIGIOUS INTERMEDIATE CERTIFICATE END OF FIRST SEMESTER EXAM / JANUARY 2017 

COURSE NAME : English Language
TIME : $2 ½$ Hours


## Model Answers: Listening: Part 1

There are six questions in this part. For each question there are three pictures and a short recording. Choose the correct picture and put a tick $(\sqrt{ })$ in the box below it. You will hear the recording twice.

Number 1: What was damaged in the storm?


| $\mathbf{A}$ |  |
| :--- | :--- |




Number 2: What present does the man decide to take?


| $\mathbf{A}$ |  |
| :--- | :--- |



| B | $\sqrt{ }$ |
| :--- | :--- |



Number 3: Which is the woman's jacket?




C $\sqrt{ }$

Number 4: Which sport is notincluded in the price of the holiday?




## Number 5: What time will the train to London leave?





| C | V |
| :--- | :--- |

Number 6: Where is the girl's hat?


A


| $\mathbf{B}$ |  |
| :--- | :--- |



C

## Model Answers: Listening - Part 2

You will hear a man called Jack Smith talking to a group of people about a trip to India to see tigers. For each question (1-6), fill in the missing information in the numbered spaces. You will hear the recording twice.
( $6 \times 2.5=15$ marks)

## Tiger Tour

1- Jack's job:...artist......
2- Date of departure:Seventhof November.
3- Number of tourists in group:......18/or/eighteen
4- Type of accommodation:......hotel/hotels........
5- Means of transport in the park:

- Open truck in the north
-..................elephants. in the south.
6- Meal NOT included on the last
day:....................lunch................................


## Marking Guidelines

1- The answer is fully correct = 2.5 marks
2- The answer contains one or two (or even more) wrong letters which produce a similar pronunciation without changing the meaning of the target word = 1.5 mark
Example: If the target word is 'November' and one of the students has written 'Novimber' or 'Nevember' or 'Nivimber", he/she shall get 1.5 mark
3- The answer contains one or two extra-letters which produce a similar pronunciation without changing the meaning of the target word $=1.5$ mark
Example: If the target word is 'hotels' and one of the students has written "Hootells", he/she shall get 1.5 mark
4- The answer is close to the target word, but it leads to a totally different meaning of the target word $=0$
Example: If the target word is ' 18 ' and one of the students has written " 80 " or " 81 ", he/she shall get 0
5 - The student has written another completely different word $=0$
6 - The student has written the target word in the wrong space $=0$
7- The student has written an unreadable word $=0$

## Model Answers: Reading - Part 1

Read the text below and choose the correct word. For each space circle the correct letter A, B, or C. Number (0) is done for you as an example.
( $10 \times 1$ = 10 marks)

## A SUCCESSFUL LIVING PLANT

Grass is probably the (0) ........................successful living plant in the world. There are over 9000 different types of grassand they are (1).......................in every region on the earth. They are the (2) ......................flowering plants that can exist in the freezing (3) ......................of the Arctic and Antarctic.
Grasslands support a wide range of animal life, from tiny insects and birds to huge animals like cows and lions. All of them (4).................. on grass in one way or another.

Grass (5)................. very quickly after it is cut or (6)
Unlike other plants, the new leaves (7)........................ from below the soil, not from the top of the plant. That is (8).......................large families of animals are able to live together in one area. As (9) ......................as they eat all the grass there, a fresh meal is always(10) .....................because the plants start to grow again.

| 0- | (A) | most | B | more | C | very |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1- | A | realized | B | found | C | caught |
| 2- | A | only | B | one | C | alone |
| 3- | A | situation | B | background | C | environment |
| 4- | A | build | B | depend | C | turn |
| 5- | A | remains | B | recovers | C | repeats |
| 6- | A | damaged | B | heart | C | injury |
| 7- | A | growing | B | grows | C | grow |
| 8- | A | when | B | why | C | who |
| 9- | A | hurry | B | slow | C | soon |
| 10- | A | available | B | full | C | complete |

## Model Answers: Reading - Part 2

The people below all want to come to Britain to study English.On the following page there are six descriptions of six colleges.Decide which college (letters A-F) would be the most suitable for each person (numbers 1-5). There is an extra college.

## ( $5 \times 2=10$ marks)

| $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{F}$ | Marta wants a course in Business <br> Studies and English, starting in <br> September. She would prefer to be in <br> a city, but wants a college which will <br> organize visits so she can see <br> something of Britain. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathbf{4}$ | $\mathbf{E}$ | Jean wants to attend classes for a few <br> hours a week in July so that he could <br> have plenty of free time to visit the <br> countryside. He wants to stay in a city, <br> with a family. |
| $\mathbf{5}$ | $\underline{l}$ |  |

## Colleges

| Colleges |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| A | Lowton College <br> Situated in a pleasant area of the city close to the river. Convenient for North Wales and the English Lake District. <br> - Courses in English run all year, including July.Part-time courses are also available in the evenings/days. <br> - We will arrange accommodation with an English family. |
| B | Bristow College <br> The college is in the centre of Bristow. <br> - Full-time courses at all levels, beginners to advanced, from September to June. <br> - Visits arranged to places of interest. <br> - Excellent range of sports offered. <br> - Students arrange their own accommodation in flats and houses. |
| C | Shepton College <br> This college is in the centre of London close to underground and buses. <br> - Classes are offered all through the year.Daytime English courses up to ten hours per week. Evening classes of four hours per week. <br> - Extra classes offered in English for Business. <br> - Students arrange their own accommodation in flats and houses. |
| D | Daunston College <br> Daunston is a small town in the Midlands near pleasant countryside. <br> - Part-time and full-time classes available from September to June. <br> - Full-time summer school in August. <br> - Complete beginners part-time only. <br> - Trips and other social events arranged regularly. <br> - Accommodation in the college or with families. |
| E | Exford College <br> Exford is beside the sea and surrounded by beautiful countryside. <br> - Courses at all levels, September to June (full-time). <br> - Summer schools (mornings only) during August. <br> - Full social programme including sports and hobby clubs provided by the college. <br> - Students live in college rooms or with families. |
| F | Howe College <br> The college is in the city centre, but near theNorth Yorkshire countryside and the sea. <br> - Classes run from September to June. <br> - Part-time and full-time courses frombeginners to advanced (daytime only). <br> - Full-time courses in English withBusiness Studies. <br> - Trips arranged to places of interest in Britain. |

## Model Answers: Reading - Part 3

Read the text and answer the questions on the next page.

A-Look at the statements below.Read the text and write ( $T$ ) if the statement is true or write ( $F$ ) if the statement is false.
(6×1 = 6 marks)


| $\mathbf{1}$ | Caroline heard about The Finnegansfor the first time <br> during her first year at university. | F |
| :---: | :--- | :---: |
| $\mathbf{2}$ | Polly Finnegan wrote The Finnegans when she was <br> eleven. | F |
| $\mathbf{3}$ | Caroline's mother informed her about plans to turn The <br> Finnegansinto a TV drama. | $\mathbf{T}$ |
| $\mathbf{4}$ | Caroline attended the interview when she was in Brazil. | F |
| $\mathbf{5}$ | Caroline is still a university student. | $\mathbf{T}$ |
| $\mathbf{6}$ | Caroline's family is famous for having a big number of <br> artists. | $\mathbf{F}$ |

B- Read the text again and answer the following questions. You should write precise answers.

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\text { ( } 4 \times 2 \text { = } 8 \text { marks })
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1- Why did Caroline's mother feel surprised when her daughter applied for the part?

She did not expect Caroline to get interested in a filming career
2- Who helped Caroline to find time to do the filming?

## The university

3- What does Caroline think of acting after taking part in the TV programme?

It was an amazing experience.
4- What are Caroline'splans for the future?
She wants to make acting her career/or/ she wants to spend time with friends and relatives.

## Writing - Part 1

You have to answer this question.

You saw the advertisement below in one of the newspapers in Bahrain and you want to apply for the position. Write a letter of application.
(Your letter should be between 100-120 words)

## Waiter / Waitress Required

A new restaurant requires a young waiter or waitress for its new branch in Manama.

No previous experience is required.
Candidates must have a pleasant personality.
Speaking different languages is an advantage.
To apply, write to
hrmanager@newhorizonresto.com


## Writing - Part 2

## Answer ONE question ONLY

## EITHER

A. Your parents left you alone at home. Something unusual happened. Write a story. You have to include the following points:

- When
- Why they left you alone
- What happened in details
- How you felt
- What you did
- What happened in the end
- Your opinion


## OR

B. The place you live in is really special. Write an article for your school magazine to describe the place and explain what makes it special.
(Write between 120-140 words)


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