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الثالث الثانوي العلمي (٢٠١٧ - ٢٠١٨)



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

The capital city of a country is very often its greatest city, with the largest population and the most important administrative buildings. Capital cities house government offices, as well as embassies from other countries. They are also financial centres, containing national and international banks and other financial institutions. Damascus is no different from other capital cities in this respect - it is the seat of government and the economic and cultural centre of Syria. With a population of around 5 million people, Damascus is the biggest city in Syria. The city has a rich history, and is considered the oldest city in the world. It has been continually inhabited for thousands of years. The commercial and administrative centre of the city is located in the modern part of the city, outside the ancient walls. Brasilia, the capital city of Brazil, is both similar to and different from Damascus. Like Damascus, it is an administrative centre and contains the key political buildings and institutions. However, unlike Damascus, Brasilia is not the major cultural or economic centre of Brazil. The population of Brasilia is only around 2.5 million people, which is a tiny fraction of the huge Brazilian population. Built in the late 1950s, it is a new city and has only been the capital of Brazil since 1960. It took over from Rio de Janeiro, which remains a major economic and cultural centre, as well as having a population of many millions more. Brasilia is a very modern city and because it is so new, planners were able to strictly regulate its layout. It is divided into sectors, with specific zones for business, industry, government and residential areas.

Answer the following questions: (18 marks)

1. What buildings are characteristic of capital cities?
2. Why is Damascus considered the oldest city in the world?
3. What are the similarities between Damascus and Brasilia?

Find words in the text which mean the following:

(10 marks)

4. control or supervise.
5. placed / situated.

Rewrite these sentences about the text to correct the information: (12 marks)

6. The commercial and administrative centre of Damascus is inside the walls of the old city.
7. Brasilia is an important cultural centre of the country.

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

Nobel was educated in Russia, France and the United States. He was fluent in five languages and had a great interest in literature. Nobel was also very interested in social and peace-related issues, and held views that were considered radical for his time. Nobel travelled widely, then returned to work in his father's factory in St. Petersburg, Russia. Later, in Sweden, Nobel began to experiment with explosions. In 1867, he received a **patent** for dynamite. About 1875 he produced an even more powerful explosive called blasting gelatin. In all, Nobel held more than 100 patents. Nobel died in 1896 and was buried in Norra in Stockholm. The incorrect publication in 1888 of a premature **obituary** of Nobel by a French newspaper, condemning him for his invention of dynamite, is said to have brought about his decision to leave a better legacy after his death. On November 27, 1895, Alfred Nobel made his last will in Paris. When it was opened and read after his death, the will caused a lot of controversy both in Sweden and internationally, as Nobel had left much of his wealth for the establishment of a prize! His family opposed the establishment of the Nobel Prize, and the people he asked to award the prize refused to do what he had **requested** in his will. Thus, it was five years before the first Nobel Prize could be awarded in 1901.

Choose the correct answer a, b or c: (12 marks)

8. Nobel's interest was inissues
a. social b. peace c. both a and b
9. Nobel left a lot of hisfor the establishment of a prize.....
a. books b. wealth c. factories

Match two of the underlined words from the text to the definitions below: (12 marks)

10. military weapons and equipment.
11. asked politely.
12. Nobel was an educated man and could speak.....
13. All Nobel prizes are presented in Sweden except

III- Complete the following sentences by filling in the gaps: (18 marks)

In Syria you will rarely find 'old people's homes'.
When my parents get old, my sister 14-will help look after 15-Traditional values teach sons and daughters to honour their fathers and mothers and show love and care to them 16-they grow old.

IV- Fill in the spaces with words from the list. Use each word once only: (24 marks)

Curious, waiting, laughed, people, floor, ears

People 17-at Marconi all through his life he had such big 18-But it is possible that he heard sounds through those ears which other 19- couldn't hear. And he worked all his life to send those sounds back through the air to a 20- , listening world..

V- Complete the following dialogue by writing suitable questions or answers. Write at least three words for each question: (32 marks)

21. A :?
B : I went to Mexico last year.

22. A:?
B: I met the world's oldest couple.

23. A:?
B: They have been married for 70 years.
A: What was your trip like?

24. B:

VI- Rewrite the following sentences as required in brackets: (32 marks)

25. Shopkeepers sell different items in the souks of Damascus.
(make passive voice)

26. We took our grandchildren on holiday.
(Report using "They said")

27. He didn't repair the car himself.
(use causative Have)

28. I'm very shy talking in public.
(use I wish.....)

VII- Complete the following sentences using clauses: (14 marks)

29. When she was leaving.....

30. If I were at home,

VIII- Choose the correct words in brackets: (18 marks)

31. City life is stressful (in comparison with, whereas) country life.

32. I'd like to live in a small (peace, peaceful) village near the sea.

33. I have just heard the door (bang, splash).

IX- Correct the verbs in brackets: (18 marks)

34. He (write) two essays so far this morning.

35. I went to see Sami in hospital. He (break) his leg during a football match.

36. Water is the most precious natural source. It (play) a central role in agricultural production.

X- Translation: (18marks)

Translate the following sentence into Arabic:(10)

37. Noble Prize has been honouring men and women from all over the globe for outstanding achievements.

Translate the following sentence into English: (8)

38. ينتقل الناس الى الريف ليهربوا من الازدحام والتلوث

XI- Composition: (50 marks)

Write a composition of no less than 80 words on the following topic.

HOW TO BE A GOOD SISTER OR BROTHER.

END OF THE EXAM

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