

I - Read the following text then do the tasks below : (11 P)

These days the cherry blossom festival in Japan not only marks the beginning of spring , but also the start of the academic year and the financial year. On viewing days , people eat special food and drink outside . some people take their own food , others buy food from street vendors .

❖ **Answer the following questions :**

1. Which three event does the cherry blossom festival mark ?
2. What do people do on viewing days ?

❖ **Find words in the text which mean the following :**

3. habit , tradition .
4. connected with money.

❖ **Rewrite this sentence about the text to correct the information :**

5. people eat any food and drink at home.

II – Complete the following dialog by writing

suitable questions and answers: (9 P)

6. A:

B: The family celebrated their grandmother's return yesterday .

7. A:

B: Grandmother returned from Mecca.

8. A:

B: Her friends gave her some gifts .

III – Complete the following by filling in the gaps : (4 P)

9. We couldn't see anything when the lights out .
10. Damascus is the city I was born.

IV – Complete the following by using clauses: (6 P)

11. She couldn't go to the party because
12. I was having my lunch when

V – Choose the correct words in brackets : (4 P)

13. My family is(going up – going away) for two weeks in the summer.
14. The family is (importance – important) to Syrian society.

VI – Correct the verbs in brackets : (6 P)

15. The phone rang while I(have) a shower.
16. The next morning , the streets..... (be) dusty because there had been a sand storm.

VII – Translate into Arabic : (3 P)

17. If the price of petrol goes up again, I will have to stop using my car .

❖ **Translate into English : (3 P)**

18. ألقى الابن الأكبر للرجل خطاباً قصيراً خلال الاحتفال.

VIII – Write a short biography of someone you

know or know about (14 P)

END OF EXAM

❖ انتهت الأسئلة ❖