

## Ministry of Education

General Secondary Education Certificate Examination ٢٠٠٩

(Second Stage – Second Session)

First Foreign Language: English - Advanced Level -

Time: ٣ Hours

اللغة الأجنبية الأولى: الإنجليزية (المستوى الرفيع)

( الأسئلة في أربع صفحات )

A- Language Usage and Set Book

## ١- Choose the correct answer from a, b, c, or d:-

١. Workers clean the streets and collect rubbish .....  
a) regular                      b) irregular                      c) regularly                      d) irregularly
٢. A sensitive person is one who .....  
a) is aware of other people's feelings      b) has good sense and judgment  
c) is aware of other people's secrets      d) has a sense of humour
٣. You should ..... advantage of this opportunity.  
a) have                      b) do                      c) take                      d) give
٤. My solicitor has advised ..... take legal action.  
a) me to not                      b) me not to                      c) to me not to                      d) not me to
٥. There's been chemical ..... and we've been ordered to stay indoors.  
a) lake                      b) leak                      c) lock                      d) lack
٦. A businessman has to pay a lot for ..... on TV.  
a) advertising                      b) propaganda                      c) publicity                      d) showing
٧. Little ..... realize how difficult it is, working in a restaurant kitchen.  
a) he does                      b) does he                      c) is he                      d) he has
٨. Learn to voice your feelings, no one ..... will do it for you.  
a) else                      b) either                      c) other                      d) another
٩. The clothes have been ..... on the lines.  
a) hanged                      b) hung                      c) hang                      d) hanging
١٠. I can't eat out tonight, because I have ..... homework to do.  
a) too many                      b) too much                      c) much too                      d) many too

(بقية الأسئلة في الصفحة الثانية)

## ٢- Find the mistakes, then correct the sentences:-

١. There's not doubt that the council's campaign is going to be a great success.
٢. You're not the same one who didn't hear the news. I didn't either.
٣. When you buy something, make sure you don't throw away your recipe.
٤. He denies he's guilty of spring rumours.
٥. She thanked the policeman for being so genteel.

## ٣- Rewrite the following sentences using the word(s) in brackets to give the same meaning:-

١. He claimed he was guilty. (am)
٢. Prices have risen sharply nowadays. (There is)
٣. He didn't come in time because he couldn't catch the bus. (Had)
٤. Our country has such an alert army that no one dares to attack us. (Our country' s army)
٥. The number of the injured caused by the first train accident was greater than the second one. (not as)

## ٤- Answer FOUR ONLY of the following questions:-

١. What is "Scuba diving" and why is it enjoyable?
٢. What is "lei" and what does it stand for?
٣. Maria was not an ordinary doctor, why? Give an example.
٤. Maria played a great part in education. Illustrate.
٥. How did "Green Revolution" bring social and political conflict?
٦. Mention the cause of the early success of "Green Revolution."

(بقية الأسئلة في الصفحة الثالثة)

**B- Reading Comprehension and Critical Thinking****٥- Reading Comprehension:-****A- Read the following passage and then answer the questions:-**

These days, men and women are living longer. However, women on the average, live longer. The reasons for this are both biological and cultural.

The difference in hormones between men and women helps women live longer. The female hormones also protect and defend the body against some infections. Women are also helped by their female genes. Scientists are still not exactly sure how genes influence aging, but they believe that they do.

The cultural context can also influence the predictable length of a person's life. Lack of stress can lengthen women's lives, unlike smoking cigarettes and drinking alcohol. They have been proven to cause many health problems. Housework also tends to keep women in better physical condition than men.

Over years the biological factors remain unchanged but the changes of women's social habits no longer help them live healthier lives.

١. What is this article about?
٢. Mention two biological reasons for women's long lives.
٣. How does lifestyle shorten women's ages?
٤. Find a word in that passage that means "house chores".

**B- Read the following passage, then choose the correct answer:-**

We thought a computer will be an ideal gift for our eight-year-old son because it would be educational. My husband brought **one** home. He switched on the machine and started to play the space invaders game. I joined in, competing against him. It was a good fun for half an hour but then I grew bored and watched T.V. instead.

However, my husband remained glued to the screen for the whole evening and the next day he stayed up until ٢ a.m. From then on, first thing he'd do in the morning was sitting at the computer and playing. He would even eat his dishes off his knees. Gradually, he lost interest in everything else. He became too exhausted but he couldn't tear himself away. He could hardly drag himself to work. One day, he arrived home unexpectedly and said he had lost his job.

( بقية الأسئلة في الصفحة الرابعة )

١. "My husband remained glued to the screen" means: .....
  - a) He was physically incapable of moving.
  - b) He couldn't stop playing computer games.
  - c) He used much glue.
  - d) He moved quickly.
٢. "My husband could hardly drag himself to work" means: .....
  - a) He went to work reluctantly.
  - b) The work was too easy for him.
  - c) He dragged his feet as he walked.
  - d) The work was funny.
٣. My husband can be described as a computer .....
  - a) illiterate
  - b) addict
  - c) hacker
  - d) instructor
٤. The word **one** in the first paragraph refers to .....
  - a) computer
  - b) switch
  - c) game
  - d) T.V.

**Critical Thinking****٦- Choose the best ending for the following passage:-**

Do you know what to do if someone falls off a small boat? The first thing to do is to throw out a life ring. Don't lose sight of the person. You should try to get close with the boat. At the same time, you must be very careful not to hurt the person in the water. Then you should try to help him or her climb back into the boat. This is not always easy, especially if .....

- a) the weather is warm.
- b) the person is hurt or cold.
- c) there are several people to help.
- d) the person is a good swimmer.

**C – Writing****٧- Write a dialogue between two businessmen who are planning for a new project.**

Each person should speak three times. (Greetings are not counted)

**٨- Write an essay of not less than twenty lines on either (A) or (B):-**

**A** - Causes of illegal immigration.

**B** - The effect of smoking on teenagers.

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(انتهت الأسئلة)