

Total Mark (560 Marks)

100

I- Vocabulary (100 Marks)

A -From a, b, c and d choose the most suitable word that best completes each of the following sentences: (5x10 = 50 m)

- 01- Last night, I watched a/an movie about a poor homeless family.
a) academic b) touching c) disposable d) ameliorated
- 02- On my first day at school, my teachers and friends welcomed me
a) lately b) mainly c) meticulously d) cordially
- 03- Dr. Suad Al-Sabah's to modern Arabic poetry is highly appreciated.
a) **contribution** b) weaving c) roundabout d) beverage
- 04- I find it fun and more comfortable to the web and buy things online.
a) inscribe b) enhance c) **browse** d) desert
- 05- The whole family always consults my grandfather, thanks to his wisdom.
a) decaffeinated b) irritated c) **unrivalled** d) inaccessible

B- Fill in the spaces with the most suitable words from the list below: (5x10 = 50 m)

(hospitality / launched / precious / agenda / reminisced / annual)

- 06- It is often said that nothing in life is more **precious** than time and health.
- 07- The meeting is over while there are many items on the **agenda** to be approved.
- 08- One of the most common characteristics of people in Arabia is their **hospitality**.
- 09- Kuwait **launched** a 36-kilometre causeway to link the capital directly with the North.
- 10- When we met after 20 years, we **reminisced** about the happy moments we had together.



II- Grammar (60 Marks)

60

A- From a, b, c and d choose the correct answer: (4x10=40 m)

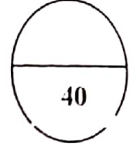
- 11- The price of strawberries went towards the end of the season.
 a) off
 b) up
 c) against
 d) through
- 12- The firemen faced many challenges, and eventually they put the fire out.
 a) managed to
 b) able to
 c) are able to
 d) can
- 13- After the students had finished their project, they it with the teacher.
 a) discussed
 b) had discussed
 c) have discussed
 d) discuss
- 14- the weather was bad yesterday, all the cars completed the race.
 a) But
 b) Although
 c) In spite of
 d) However

B- Do as required between brackets: (4x5 = 20 m)

- 15- If my uncle took some safety measures, (Complete)
would / could / might + inf. + SS own answer
- 16- This game isn't suitable for children. This game isn't suitable for adults.
 (Use: Neither..... nor)
This game is neither suitable for children nor adults.
- 17- The boy (wait) since early morning, and his friend still hasn't turned up.
 (Correct the verb)
has been waiting / has waited
- 18- You always use a password for your computer, don't you?
 (Add a question tag)



III- Language Functions (40 Marks)

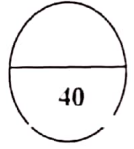


Write what you would say in each of the following situations: (4x 10 = 40 m)

- 19- You are at the school library, and one of your classmates is making noise.
Making polite request / Expressing dislike / Expressing opinion
- 20- Your parents support your decision to complete your higher studies abroad.
Expressing gratitude
- 21- Your family suggests a visit to Japan during the Cherry Blossom Festivals.
Rejecting a suggestion and giving a reason / Agreeing to a suggestion / Likes / Dislikes
- 22- The exams are very near, and your brother is wasting his time on the Internet.
Giving advice / Persuading / Making Suggestion

Any reasonable response is accepted

IV- Set Book (40 Marks)

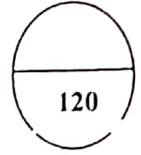


Answer only (FOUR) of the following questions: (4x10 = 40 m)

- 23- Why has the Qurain Cultural Festival become the centre of cultural dialogue?
Because artists meet to share their talents. / Guests from outside Kuwait participate. / It rewards and honours leading contributors.
- 24- In your opinion, why was the coffee house a favourable meeting place for people?
It was a place where people could read newspapers. / Catch up on the latest news. / Listen to scientific lectures. / Do businesses. / Chat about the state of the world.
- 25- How does poor communication affect relationships?
It is the root of many personal problems. / It raises personal problems. / It causes misunderstanding. / It causes wrong judgments.
- 26- Throughout history, people used writing for different purposes. Explain.
To document and pass on information. / To communicate economic information. / To record quotidian life and trade. / To record history. / To present some valuable art forms.
- 27- What do businessmen use their mobile phones for?
For scheduling their daily work. / For communicating with staff and clients. / For sending and receiving e-mails. / For surfing websites. / As a portable complement to a computer. / For communicating, computing and content.

Or any reasonable answer



V- Writing (120 Marks)

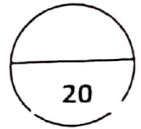
Write on the following topic:

Celebrations are some of the most important aspects of our culture.

You attended a wonderful family gathering which was given on a happy occasion. Plan and write an essay of not less than 14 sentences (160 words) describing the event in terms of the place, the people, and the activities you enjoyed.

** Your writing should include an introduction, 2 body paragraphs and a conclusion.

(Outline - 20 Marks)



Introduction:

Body:

Paragraph 1 :

Paragraph 2 :

Conclusion :

Exposition of ideas & coherence	Paragraphing & number of sentences	Spelling	Grammar	Hw., spacing & punctuation	Changing format	Total
60	10	10	10	10	- 20	100

- 20 marks to be deducted from the total mark for changing the format.
- Off point topics /outlines receive ZERO.
- 5 marks to be deducted from the outline if the ideas are not used in the topic.



VI- Reading Comprehension (110 marks)

110

Read the following passage and answer the questions below:

Aileen Riggins was born in 1906. Her father was in the navy serving in Philippines. There, she learned to swim at age 6. Around age 11, as she recovered from the flu, her doctor recommended swimming to rebuild her strength. Diving became one of her favourite activities. At that time, many people feared diving as it was too dangerous for women and girls. So, most indoor swimming pools would not let Aileen practise her lovable sport. Aileen decided to find other ways to practice her favourite sport. She joined the U.S Olympic trials. She used an outdoor tide pool; where ocean water gathered between rocks. Female divers dived there. **They** had to wait for the high tide to practise diving. When conditions were perfect, the tide pool was just like a real swimming pool!

At age 14 Aileen qualified for the 1920 U.S Olympic diving and swim team. Thanks to her qualification, she was able to travel around the world. On the 13-day journey to Belgium, Aileen practised swimming in a small swimming pool to be physically prepared for the competitions. Conditions at the Olympic Games were not much better since Belgium was still **recovering** from World War I. The outdoor pools were so muddy, Aileen was afraid that when she dived in, she would get stuck at the bottom forever. During the competition, she overcame her fears and won the gold medal in diving! She became the youngest Olympic gold medalist of her time at age 14.

At the 1924 Olympics in Paris, Aileen again competed in both swimming and diving. She won a silver medal for the 3 metre-springboard event and a bronze medal in the 100 metre-backstroke competition, making her the first person to earn medals in both diving and swimming in the same Olympic year.

Aileen made films, performed all over the world, and later became a sportswriter and she never stopped swimming. At age 85, she broke six world records for her group at the World Masters Swimming Championships. She continued to swim well into her nineties. Up to her death at age 96, she was the oldest living female Olympic medalist.



A- From a, b, c and d choose the correct answer: (5x10=50 m)

28- The best title for this passage is:

- The Gold Medalist
- Travelling Overseas
- World War I Effects
- The Dangers of Swimming

29- The underlined word "recovering" in the 2nd paragraph means:

- travelling through time
- returning to normal state
- practising different activities
- being completely indifferent

30- The underlined pronoun " They " in the 1st paragraph refers to:

- rocks
- other ways
- female divers
- Olympic trials

31- What's the purpose of the writer?

- To persuade people to take indoor activities.
- To tell us a story of an ambitious champion.
- To advise the readers to stop practising diving.
- To inform people about the dangers of tide pools.

32- According to the last paragraph, ONE of the following statements is NOT TRUE:

- Aileen produced films broadcasted all over the world.
- Aileen became a sportswriter and continued to swim.
- Aileen decided to end up her sports career at age 85.
- Aileen broke a number of records in her competitions.



B- Answer the following questions: (4 X 15 = 60 m)

33- Where did Aileen first start to learn swimming?

In Philippines at age 6

34- Why wouldn't most indoor pools let Aileen practise swimming?

Because in 1919 many people feared diving as it was too dangerous for women and girls.

35- When did Aileen qualify for the U.S Olympic diving and swim team?

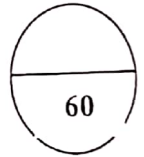
At age 14. / At age 14 Aileen qualified for the 1920 U.S Olympic diving and swim team. / In 1920, Aileen qualified for the US Olympic diving and swim team.

36- How did World War I affect sports in Belgium?

Pools were not suitable for swimming (not clean). / Sports' conditions were terrible. / The outdoor pools were so muddy. Sports infrastructure was deteriorated.

Any reasonable answer related to the passage is accepted

VII – Summary Making (60 Marks)



Read the following passage carefully, then do as required:

There are many reasons why we want to achieve success. Success is strongly related to our life plans. Achieving some milestones like graduating or getting a desired job brings us positive feelings.

In addition, in many cases we want to experience benefits related with the achievement of a certain goal. This makes our success desirable and enjoyable. We shouldn't also forget that achieving success adds value to us. It is deep in our nature that we love the taste of winning. Furthermore, we all make mistakes which raise a strong force that will push us towards further goals. We lost, but in the end, we want to win. This victory can make up for all previous unpleasant experiences and failure.



In a paragraph of FOUR sentences ONLY, summarise and paraphrase the passage above in answer to the following question:

Why do we want to achieve success?

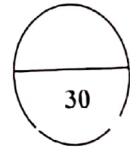
Answer must include FOUR of the following ideas:

- Being part of our life plans. / Bringing positive feelings.
- The output (benefits) of achieving certain goals.
- Adding value to us. / The taste of winning.
- Pushing us towards further goals. / Compensating (making up for) lacks and failures from the past.

Rubrics	Content / relevance of ideas	Paraphrasing	Spelling and grammar	Paragraph format	Total
	30	20	5	5	60

- Copying the whole paragraph receives ZERO.
- Exceeding the required number of sentences (Minus 5 marks for one sentence / Minus 10 for two sentences and above).

VIII – Translation (30 Marks)



Translate the following into English: (2x 15 =30 m)

أحمد : الديوانية هي تجمع غير رسمي للرجال لمناقشة الأمور الرياضية والأدبية والسياسية.
علي : وهي تلعب دورا جوهريا لتعزيز الروابط القوية بين العائلات في الكويت.

Ahmad : Diwaniya is an informal gathering for men to discuss sports, literature and political issues.

Ali : And it plays a vital role in reinforcing strong ties among families in Kuwait.

End of Exam
Good Luck

