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الموضوع الأول

Part One: Reading
A/ Comprehension

(15 pts)
(07 pts)

Read the text carefully to do the following activities:

Scientists are still discovering Mayan temples that have been covered by the jungle for centuries. These findings have led people and scientists to wonder why the Mayas mysteriously disappeared after having flourished.

The Mayas are recognized for their refined calendar and writing systems, architecture, and other aspects of their culture. **They** built magnificent temples and palaces and their territory extended along some southern parts of Central America. However, around 900 A.D., most of those areas were abandoned.

Many hypotheses have been established to explain what could have happened to such a great civilization. Some archaeologists believe it declined because of overpopulation which may have caused a lack of resources. **Others** think it may have collapsed due to warfare. There are even some non-science-based ideas saying that the civilization might have been invaded by aliens. But, more plausible options have been proposed by scholars **whose** last archaeological investigations suggest that climate change must have caused less rain. This produced severe droughts and loss of crops which led the Mayas to abandon their cities.

Adapted from: Garnet Publishing Ltd 2011 www.garneteducation.com

1) *Say whether the following statements are true or false.*

- a- The Mayas are admired for their great achievements in different fields.
- b- It is difficult to explain the fall of the Mayan civilization.
- c- The Mayas abandoned their cities because of floods.

2) *Answer the following questions according to the text.*

- a- Did the Mayas expand their territory to South America? Justify your answer.
- b- List two possible reasons that led to the collapse of the Mayan civilization.
- c- Explain how climate change could have been the cause of the decline of the Maya civilization?

3) *Find what or who the underlined words in the text refer to.*

- a) **They:** (§2)...
- b) **Others:** (§3) ...
- c) **whose:** (§3) ...

4) *Choose the general idea of the text.*

- a- The rise of the Maya civilization
- b- The achievements of the Maya civilization
- c- Reasons for the collapse of the Maya civilisation



B/ Text Exploration

(08 pts)

1) Match the following words with the corresponding definitions.

word	definition
Temple	Creature from another world, extra-terrestrial.
Calendar	Building used in the worship of a god or gods.
Alien	Chart showing the days, weeks and months of a particular year.

2) Divide the following words into roots and affixes.

disappear - overpopulation - central

prefix	root	suffix

3) Rewrite sentence "b" so that it means the same as sentence "a".

- a- Some Mayan temples were covered by the jungle.
b- The jungle
- a- "The Maya civilization collapsed because of climate change," the archaeologist declared.
b- The archaeologist declared that.....
- a- After the Mayans had flourished all over Central America, they mysteriously disappeared.
b- Before

4) Reorder the following sentences to get a coherent passage.

- Everyone in the household helped with the work.
- the women and the older girls made the family's clothes and prepared meals.
- The entire Maya family, including parents, children, and grandparents, lived together.
- While the men and the older boys did most of the farm work,

Part two: written expression

(05 pts)

Choose only ONE of the following topics.

Topic One:

Most of the ancient civilizations fell mostly because of wars, droughts and natural disasters and our modern civilization is facing more challenges that can lead to its collapse.

As a member of Greenpeace organization in your country, write a public statement of about 80 to 120 words to convince decision makers worldwide to take action to preserve our civilization.

Make the best use of the following notes

- ban nuclear weapons
- more money to fight pandemics
- reduce pollution and global warming
- encourage renewable energies

Topic Two:

Bribe taking has become a common practice in our society. As a member of an anti-corruption association, write an article of about 80 to 120 words for the local newspaper to denounce this unethical behaviour.



الموضوع الثاني

Part one: Reading A/ Comprehension

(15 pts)

(07 pts)

Read the text carefully to do the following activities.

Sport provides joy to billions of people across the world. As fans, we have a love affair with our favourite game. When our teams win, we are enthusiastic. When they lose, we are devastated. When results are not determined by fair competition but by corruption, however, we feel betrayed.

Sport touches the lives of billions who do not want to think that their favourite pastime is infected. This became unavoidable for football fans in May 2015 when some FIFA officials were accused of racketeering and money-laundering. This crisis at the heart of sport illustrates well-known issues: bribery, embezzlement and unclear financial black holes.

Corruption in sport is not limited to football, and the importance of fighting corruption is not limited to its effect on sport only. Sport is a symbol of fair play around the world and a key to strengthening ethical values. If trust in sport is lost and people can no longer believe what they are seeing on the field of play, public trust in any other institution may be irreparably weakened.

Adapted from the Preface of: Global Corruption Report: Sport.

1) Say whether the following statements are True or False

- a- Sport is a source of satisfaction.
- b- The world of sport is ethically clean.
- c- Corruption is found only in football.
- d- Sport promotes moral principles.

2) Identify the paragraph in which the following ideas are mentioned:

- a) Deception is strong when corruption interferes in sport.
- b) Sport is essential to consolidate moral values

3) Answer the following questions according to the text.

- a- When do supporters feel betrayed?
- b- Pick up from the text three illegal practices.
- c- What happens when trust is absent in sport?

4) Find what or who the underlined words in the text refer to.

- a) we (§1)
- b) their (§2)
- c) its (§3)
- d) they (§3)



B/ Text exploration

(08 pts)

- 1) Find in the text words or phrases that are closest in meaning to the following:
a) shocked (§1) b) famous (§2) c) combatting (§3)

- 2) Complete the chart as shown in the example.

	verb	noun	adjective
example	To corrupt	corruption	corrupt
	competition
	To believe
	financial

- 3) Combine each pair of sentences with the connectors given between brackets. Make changes where necessary.

- a- People still love sport. Sport has become corrupt. (**although**)
b- Fans have trust in sport. Sport is clean. (**as long as**)
c- The world of sport is corrupt. Fans feel disappointed. (**so...that**)

- 4) Fill in each gap with the appropriate word from the list given.

message - clean - against - journalists

Everyone has a wish: keeping sport1..... However, athletes, supporters, sponsors and2..... need to combine their voices to send a3..... that integrity matters for the good of the game and the good of the global fight4..... corruption.

Part two: Written expression

(05 pts)

Choose only ONE of the following topics.

Topic one:

In your school, while some students work hard to succeed honestly, others usually get good marks by cheating at exams. Write an article of 80 to 120 words for your school magazine where you sensitize your schoolmates to avoid this immoral act.

Make the best use of the following notes:

- cheating prohibited in our religion.
- illegal act
- lose people's trust in you.
- lead to more unethical practices in life.

Topic two:

A Youtuber uploaded a video saying that ancient civilizations did not make any contribution to our modern world. Write a comment of about 80 to 120 words to denounce this ungrateful claim and show what ancient civilizations have brought to us in many fields.