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Level 8.1
Grade 12 General Mock Exam
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اول سؤال إعطاء رأي في موضوع معين

1.1 Writing Section: Opinion (40 Marks)

Write your opinion on the following topic: (5 marks)
"Do you think technology, particularly artificial intelligence, is helping preserve cultural traditions, or is it causing people to lose touch with their customs?"

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1.2 Writing Section: Plan (5 Marks)خطة المقال :مقدمة وعرض وخاتمة

You are planning an essay titled **"How Technology is Shaping Cultural Traditions"**.
Outline the structure of your essay, focusing on the following points:

- How technology influences cultural traditions.
- Technology's role in preserving or altering traditions.
- Technology's impact on social gatherings and interactions.
- How AI and data influence cultural practices.

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1.2 Writing Section: (25 Marks) كتابة المقال مراعاة الترتيب والاملاء وعلامات الترقيم واهم شيء الإجابة على الأسئلة والنقاط المطلوبة

You are going to use the plan for writing an 170-word essay titled **"How Technology is Shaping Cultural Traditions"**.
Outline the structure of your essay, focusing on the following points:

- How technology influences cultural traditions.
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1.4 Inference and Justification التوقع والتبرير (5 marks)

قراءة نص عادة أطول وتوقع شيء ما على ضوء السؤال

Based on the text below, infer possible outcomes and provide justification:

"Technology, particularly artificial intelligence, has been rapidly integrating into cultural practices. While AI tools can enhance the way traditions are celebrated, some believe that overreliance on technology might alter or diminish the authenticity of these traditions."

- **Infer two possible effects** of the increased use of technology in cultural events. الاجابة على سؤال التوقع

- **Justify** each inference with logical reasoning based on the text. Why do you think your answer is the best? تبرير الإجابة ذكر السبب وإعطاء مثال من النص

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1.3 Maze Activity 1: Vocabulary and Sentence Completion أسئلة المتاهة تركز على اشتقاق الكلمات :فعل /اسم/ظرف/صفة والقواعد الأساسية

Fill in the blanks with the most suitable word from the options provided.

Passage:
"Technology has made it easier to _____ people from different cultures and countries. Virtual reality can create an environment where people can _____ and experience cultural traditions in a new way. However, some believe that technology could affect cultural _____, leading to a shift away from traditional practices."

1. Technology has made it easier to _____ people from different cultures and countries.
    - a) connect
    - b) isolate
    - c) ignore
2. Virtual reality can create an environment where people can _____ and experience cultural traditions in a new way.
    - a) escape
    - b) gather
    - c) exclude
3. However, some believe that technology could affect cultural _____, leading to a shift away from traditional practices.
    - a) beliefs
    - b) disruptions
    - c) events

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1.4 Maze Activity 2: Grammar and Sentence Structure

سؤال المتاهة الثاني يركز على القواعد الأساسية وقواعد الاشتقاق والربط بين الجمل الأزمنة خصوصا الماضي التام والماضي التام المبني للمجهول وغيرها

Fill in the blanks with the correct words.

“Many cultural tribes have embraced new technologies, even though they _____ (retain) their traditional values. Social media platforms allow people to share their customs and _____ (gather) their communities worldwide. However, some groups _____ (be) concerned about the influence of technology on their way of life.”

1. Many cultural tribes have embraced new technologies, even though they _____ their traditional values.
    - a) retain
    - b) retained
    - c) had retained
2. Social media platforms allow people to share their customs and _____ their communities worldwide.
    - a) gathering
    - b) gather
    - c) gathered
3. However, some groups _____ concerned about the influence of technology on their way of life.
    - a) were
    - b) are
    - c) have

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1.5 Reading Activity 1: Informative Text (15 Marks)

Text: قراءة نص بسيط

The Intersection of Tradition and Technology

"Today, social media, telecommunications, and even artificial intelligence are playing a role in preserving and promoting cultural traditions. For example, agricultural practices that have been passed down for generations are now being enhanced by data and AI tools. These technologies help farmers make more informed decisions about planting, but some worry that this influence could overshadow the wisdom of past generations."

1. What is one example of how technology is helping preserve cultural practices?
    - a) By improving communication in social media
    - b) By using AI in agriculture
    - c) By replacing traditional farming techniques
2. What concern is raised in the passage?
    - a) Technology will replace old practices
    - b) Technology will encourage competition
    - c) Technology could overshadow traditional knowledge
3. What role do social media and telecommunications play in cultural practices?
    - a) They provide opportunities for new traditions to emerge
    - b) They help share and promote customs and beliefs
    - c) They discourage the practice of traditional beliefs

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1.6 Reading Activity 2: Persuasive Text قراءة -نص اقناعي

The Influence of Virtual Reality on Culture

"Virtual reality (VR) has the potential to transform cultural experiences. It allows people to 'attend' celebrations and cultural festivals from anywhere in the world, overcoming geographical barriers. VR also provides a platform for people to experience cultural rituals and ceremonies they might never have encountered. However, some cultural purists worry that these virtual experiences could lessen the importance of in-person interactions and the true essence of tradition."

1. What is one positive impact of virtual reality on cultural experiences?
    - a) It replaces the need for in-person celebrations
    - b) It provides access to cultural experiences for people worldwide
    - c) It reduces the role of tradition in celebrations
2. What is the concern raised in the passage?
    - a) VR is becoming too expensive for many people to use
    - b) VR may reduce the significance of in-person cultural experiences
    - c) VR may change the way we celebrate holidays
3. How does VR help people experience cultural rituals?
    - a) By showing a recorded version of the event
    - b) By allowing people to 'attend' the event remotely
    - c) By replacing traditional rituals with technology

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1.7 Grammar Activity: Conditionals

If-Clause(I/II/II)التركيز على الجملة الشرطية

Complete the sentences using the correct form of the verb in parentheses.

1. If people _____ (be) more open to virtual experiences, they **could** connect with cultures from all over the world.

   a. are b.is c. were

2. If technology _____ (not interfere) with traditions, it **would** enhance cultural appreciation.

   a. doesn't interfere b. didn't interfere c. don't interfere

3. If they _____ (adapt) their cultural practices to modern technologies, they would attract younger generations.

a. adapted b. adapt c. adapting

1.8 Grammar Activity: Passive Voice (10 Marks)

المبني للمجهول

Complete the sentences using the correct passive form of the verb.

1. The traditional customs _____ (celebrate) by the community every year.
2. The virtual reality experience _____ (design) to simulate cultural festivals.
3. The cultural data _____ (collect) and analysed to improve future events.

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MODEL ANSWERS:

1.1 Writing Section: Opinion (10 Marks)

Opinion (Summary in 2 sentences):

Technology, particularly AI, can help preserve cultural traditions by digitizing and sharing them globally, making them accessible to future generations. However, overreliance on technology might dilute the authenticity of these traditions, as virtual experiences cannot fully replicate the true essence of in-person cultural practices.

1.2 Writing Section: Plan (5 Marks)

Model Answer:

- **Introduction:** Briefly discuss how technology influences cultural traditions, offering both positive and negative perspectives.
- **Body Paragraph 1:** Discuss how AI, social media, and virtual reality help preserve cultural traditions and customs (e.g., through digital archives or global exposure).
- **Body Paragraph 2:** Explore how technology influences social gatherings, allowing for virtual events or broader participation in

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cultural festivals, and its effect on traditional practices.

- **Body Paragraph 3:** Examine the role of AI and data in evolving cultural practices, helping adapt traditions to modern realities while maintaining their core values.

1.3 Writing Section: Essay (25 Marks)

Suggested Answer: ***Don't copy*** مجرد إجابة مقترحة

Technology has greatly impacted the way cultural traditions are preserved and experienced. In particular, tools like artificial intelligence (AI), virtual reality (VR), and social media have enabled cultural practices to reach global audiences, while also providing new ways for people to engage with their heritage. For example, AI is used to digitize ancient traditions, making them accessible worldwide. Similarly, VR has opened doors for people to experience cultural rituals remotely, overcoming geographical barriers.

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However, there are concerns about the effects of technology on authenticity. Some argue that the reliance on technology could dilute the essence of in-person cultural practices. For instance, social media platforms allow people to share their customs, but the online experience might not capture the full significance of a cultural event, which often depends on physical presence and community involvement.

Moreover, data and AI tools are being used to inform agricultural practices, which have traditionally been passed down through generations. While this could improve farming techniques, it also raises questions about the loss of traditional wisdom and the potential for technology to overshadow these practices.

In conclusion, technology has both positive and negative effects on cultural traditions. While it helps preserve and share them, we must ensure that it does not replace the personal connection and authenticity that are essential to cultural heritage.

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1.4 Inference and Justification (5 Marks)

Inferences:

1. Increased use of technology could result in wider global participation in cultural events, making traditions more accessible.
2. Overreliance on technology could lead to the loss of authenticity in cultural traditions, as virtual experiences might not capture their true essence.

Justifications:

1. With AI and social media, cultural events and traditions can be shared globally, allowing more people to engage with them regardless of location.
2. Traditional practices often rely on personal interaction and community involvement, which may be diluted when experienced through virtual tools, leading to a less authentic representation.

1.5 Maze Activity 1: Vocabulary and Sentence Completion (15 Marks)

1. Technology has made it easier to **connect** people from different cultures and countries.

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2. Virtual reality can create an environment where people can **gather** and experience cultural traditions in a new way.
3. However, some believe that technology could affect cultural **beliefs**, leading to a shift away from traditional practices.

1.6 Maze Activity 2: Grammar and Sentence Structure (15 Marks)

1. Many cultural tribes have embraced new technologies, even though they **retain** their traditional values.
2. Social media platforms allow people to share their customs and **gather** their communities worldwide.
3. However, some groups **are** concerned about the influence of technology on their way of life.

1.7 Reading Activity 1: Informative Text (15 Marks)

1. **What is one example of how technology is helping preserve cultural practices?**

- **Answer:** b) By using AI in agriculture

2. **What concern is raised in the passage?**

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- **Answer:** c) Technology could overshadow traditional knowledge

3. **What role do social media and telecommunications play in cultural practices?**

- **Answer:** b) They help share and promote customs and beliefs

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1.8 Reading Activity 2: Persuasive Text (15 Marks)

1. **What is one positive impact of virtual reality on cultural experiences?**

- **Answer:** b) It provides access to cultural experiences for people worldwide

2. **What is the concern raised in the passage?**

- **Answer:** b) VR may reduce the significance of in-person cultural experiences

3. **How does VR help people experience cultural rituals?**

- **Answer:** b) By allowing people to 'attend' the event remotely

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1.9 Grammar Activity: Conditionals (10 Marks)

1. If people **were** more open to virtual experiences, they could connect with cultures from all over the world.
2. If technology **did not interfere** with traditions, it would enhance cultural appreciation.
3. If they **adapted** their cultural practices to modern technologies, they would attract younger generations.

1.10 Grammar Activity: Passive Voice

1. The traditional customs **are celebrated** by the community every year.
2. The virtual reality experience **was designed** to simulate cultural festivals.
3. The cultural data **is collected** and analyzed to improve future events.

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Culture and customs	Technology	People
tradition(al)	data	confidence
venue	network	inspired
gather	telecommunications	loyal
host	code	passionate
tribes	social media	competitive
agriculture	virtual reality	modest
belief	artificial intelligence	influence

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Conjunctions
Conditionals: wishes / if only
Clauses and phrases: imperatives
Modals: present modals
Passives: past perfect passive
Clauses and phrases: defining and non-defining relative clauses
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