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GRADE 12

دولة الكويت  
وزارة التربية  
منطقة الأحمدية التعليمية  
ثانوية عبد الله الأحمد الصباح - بنين  
الامتحان في 8 صفحات (3 ساعات)

(Total 560 Marks)

I- Vocabulary (100 Marks)

A) From a, b, c, and d, choose the most suitable word that best completes each of the following sentences: (5 x 10 = 50 M)

- 1- A look of ..... crossed the face of Fahd after seeing two men leaning on his car.  
a. principle                      b. resort                      c. desertification                      d. annoyance
- 2- Newly recruited employees should be helped to ..... their experienced colleagues.  
a. keep up with                      b. kill off                      c. engage in                      d. clog up
- 3- Although Sami is ..... about his quiz marks, he is still determined to make it better.  
a. charitable                      b. constant                      c. disgruntled                      d. guilty
- 4- The players were glancing at the referee ..... when he blew the final whistle.  
a. ultimately                      b. nervously                      c. increasingly                      d. prohibitively
- 5- Most of the scenes of the Indian films are ....., but I really enjoy their songs.  
a. red tape                      b. over a barrel                      c. over the hill                      d. over the top

B) Fill in the spaces with the suitable words from the list below: (5 x 10 = 50 M)

(reprocess / scarcity/ tolerant / reside / heartening / irritation)

- 6- There is ..... of information concerning the side effects of the new vaccination.
- 7- It is ..... to know that Kuwait has succeeded in resisting the dangers of the epidemic.
- 8- Most countries have resorted to ..... their wastes to preserve their natural resources.
- 9- Anthropologists say that peace and welfare traditionally prevail in ..... societies.
- 10- Most of those who have migrated to Europe ..... in very poor and violent districts.



**IV- Set Book Questions (40 Marks)**

**Answer ONLY 4 of the following questions: (4 x 10 = 40)**

**23- Why do people need human values?**

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**24- Suggest ways to consume less water?**

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**25- Are you for or against migration? Why?**

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**26- What would societies be like in the absence of laws?**

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**27- In your opinion, how can recycling help save the environment?**

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**V- Writing (120 Marks)****Write on the following topic:**

Life's most persistent and urgent question is: **what are you doing for others?**

In not less than 14 sentences (160 words), **plan and write an essay showing why some people volunteer and how volunteering benefits society.**

**Outline (20 Marks)****Introduction:**

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**Body:**

**Body 1:** .....

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**Body 2:** .....

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**Conclusion:**

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**Write your essay here (100 Marks)**



**VI- Reading Comprehension** (110 Marks)

**Read the following passage carefully, and then answer the questions below:**

(1) I am *Peter G. Peterson*. The turning point in my life came before I was born. It was the day in 1912 when my Greek-immigrant father came to America. He came as a teenager, without a penny or a word of English, and with only a third-grade education.

(2) He remained jobless for a long time. His engagement in a minority group, constituting a very small fraction of the population of the country helped him earn his living. Finally, he took a job as restaurant dishwasher. He worked, ate and slept in a steam train caboose. He was determined to save everything he made. With his savings he opened a small restaurant and kept it open 24 hours a day a week for 25 years in my hometown of Kearney, Nebraska. His hard work and *thrift* gave extraordinary opportunities and a good example of a successful struggle against poverty. Had I been born in a different country, at a different time, I would never have had the chances that gave me such good fortune.

(3) I have lived the American Dream- I went to college, worked in the business world, served in government and became an investment banker. And that led to a second turning point, on June 21, 2007, at 9.30 a.m. That was the day I founded the Black Stone Group, a combination of two private management and financial companies. In an hour, I became an instant billionaire.

(4) What to do with so much money? I have much more than enough, and there seems little hope that I can take *it* with me. So again, I turn to my father's example. When he had built a modest net worth, he gave generously to his old home in Greece and to the less fortunate in his beloved new home. Tears would come to his eyes when he sang "God Bless America." He so loved America for its possibilities.

(5) I believe today that those possibilities are shrinking the American Dream. So, I have chosen to put much of my wealth into a new foundation which will propose workable solutions. I cannot think of anything more important than trying in this way to preserve the possibilities of the American Dream for generations yet to come.

*By Peter G. Peterson*  
*Newsweek – May 5<sup>th</sup> 2008*

**A- From a, b, c and d, choose the correct answer: (5 x 10 = 50 M)**

**28- Which of the following can be the most suitable title for the passage?**

- a. Save the American Dream
- b. Fight the American Dream
- c. Share the American Dream
- d. History of the American Dream

**29- The underlined word "it" in paragraph 4 refers to:**

- a. hope
- b. group
- c. money
- d. combination

**30- The underlined word "thrift" in paragraph 3 is closest in meaning to:**

- a. saving
- b. courage
- c. education
- d. entertainment

**31- All the sentences below are true except:**

- a. It took Peter years to become a billionaire.
- b. Being born in America helped Peter a lot.
- c. Peter was interested in the coming generations in America.
- d. Peter's father was generous with the Greeks and the Americans.

**32- What were the qualities that helped Peter's father in his successful experience?**

- a. Wealth and hard work helped Peter's father in his successful experience
- b. Hard work and perseverance helped Peter's father in his successful experience.
- c. His Greek origin and hard work helped Peter's father in his successful experience.
- d. Low educational level and hard work helped Peter's father in his successful experience

**B- Answer the following questions: (4 x 15 = 60 M)**

**33- What are the 2 turning points in Peter's life?**

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**34- How did Peter help preserve the possibilities of the American dream?**

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**35- How did Peter's father integration in minority groups help him in his new home?**

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**36- What would have happened if Peter had been born in a country other than America?**

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**VII- Summary Making (60 Marks)**

**In FOUR sentences, summarize and paraphrase the following passage in an answer to the following question:**

**“How can learners of English language improve their fluency?” (4 x 15 = 60 M)**

Fluency is one of the most difficult things to improve, particularly without living in an English-speaking community if you are trying to improve these skills outside class. Linguists always recommend that learners should think loudly while speaking to fill silence. They also insist on using fillers while speaking to give yourself enough time to think about what you are going to say. They advise learners to be realistic in using the language. They should be selective in a language that suits their current ability to express themselves clearly. They say learners should slow down when they feel that their motivation is killed off and speed up when they win confidence.

**VIII- Translation (30 Marks)**

**Translate the following 2 sentences into good English: (2 x 15 = 30 M)**

علي: ان التصحر مشكلة بيئية خطيرة تتفاقم يوما بعد يوم. كيف يمكننا حلها؟

حمد: أعتقد أن الحل يكمن في توعية الناس أنّ إرهاب الأراضي و الرعي الجائر وقطع الأشجار يجب أن تتوقف فوراً.

**Good Luck**