

# ARAB REPUBLIC OF EGYPT

## Ministry of Education

### General Secondary Education Certificate Examination,

#### [ELT Counsellor's Office]

First Foreign Language: ENGLISH

Time: 3 Hours

(الاسئلة فى اربع صفحات)

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اللغة الاجنبية الاولى : الانجليزية

تنبيه مهم: الاجابات المتكررة عن اسئلة الاختيار من متعدد لن تقدر و يتم تقدير الاجابة الاولى فقط

### A- Language Functions

#### 1) Respond to each of the following situations: ( 4 marks )

1. You are asked to tell your age next year.
2. You want to know the number of people in your reading club.
3. The National team won the African Handball Championship .
- 4- You don't understand the meaning of the word "amnesia " .

#### 2) Mention the place, the speakers and the language function in each of the following two mini-dialogues: (4 marks)

- 1- A : How can I help you?  
B : I want this pair of sparrows.  
A : They are three hundred pounds.

Place :.....  
Speaker A:.....  
Speaker B:.....  
Function :.....

- 2- A: What is wrong with it?  
B: The screen isn't clear and it can't receive any call.  
A: Let me have a look.

Place :.....  
Speaker A:.....  
Speaker B:.....  
Function :.....

### B – Vocabulary and Structure

#### 3- Choose the correct answer from a, b, c or d:- ( 8 marks )

1. "Did you go to the party?" No, I .....  
a) didn't invite    b) hadn't invited    c) wasn't invited    d) invited
2. Neither of us spoke. We .....  
a) neither spoke    b) either spoke  
c) both didn't speak    d) also didn't speak
3. Space.....can take several years.  
a) launches    b) mansions    c) missions    d) stations
4. "The prisoner of Zenda" .....Hope few months to write it.  
a) left    b) spent    c) gave    d) took
5. He left all his savings to his son in his .....  
a) hand    b) will    c) memory    d) fan

6. Volcanoes, earthquakes and storms are all natural .....  
a) phenomena    b) criterion    c) criteria    d) phenomenon
7. Some people ..... long distances while others work close to home.  
a) communicate    b) commute    c) complain    d) compete
8. Education is future for country and its young people.  
a) investment    b) wish    c) desire    d) achievement
9. What a pity! He's bleeding terribly. He ... an accident.  
a) can't have had    b) may have had  
c) must have had    d) should not have had
10. It was a truly.....evening. We enjoyed ourselves a lot.  
a) lovingly    b) loveable    c) loving    d) lovely
11. Can you count how.....grains of sand are on a beach?  
a) much    b) many    c) some    d) any
12. The noise.....her a headache yesterday.  
a) took    b) made    c) gave    d) did
13. I'm glad I've got him as a friend, not an.....  
a) ambitious    b) envious    c) enemy    d) elderly
14. The sun is at.... strongest at midday.  
a) it's    b) here's    c) its    d) hers
15. If I had written work, I ..... it at once.  
a) would do    b) did    c) am doing    d) would have done
16. He admitted that he ..... late the night before.  
a) has arrived    b) arrives    c) to arrive    d) had arrived

**4) Find the mistake in each of the following sentences, then write it correctly: [6 marks]**

- 1- The Chinese built The Great Wall to keep the attackers away.
- 2- I intend to spend a fortress in Alex as one week isn't enough.
- 3- He used a false identify to escape from the police.
- 4- Gratitude is what makes objects fall to the ground.
- 5- The more people want to buy something, the expensive it will become.
- 6- If a person put a long bar of steel in water, have it sink?

**C) Reading**

**5) Read the following passage, then answer the questions: (4 marks)**

It is true that men have invented a lot of useful things; the alphabet, machines, rockets and so many other things. But scientists and archaeologists now agree that women invented one very important thing which has changed history. They invented agriculture. Before the

invention of agriculture, men were hunters. They went out every day. Sometimes they killed animals, sometimes animals killed them. Life was difficult and dangerous. Women had to go out every day too. They collected roots, fruit and grass.

One day, more than 10,000 years ago, a woman dropped some grass seeds. She dropped them near her home. **They** grew and the first wheat was born. The idea grew, too. Women planted roots and fruit trees. Then they could stay at home and look after their children and their animals. Archaeologists think that women kept the first domestic animals. Then their husbands did not have to go hunting for meat. They stayed at home. They built villages and cities. Civilization began. Men began civilization after women had invented agriculture.

**A) Answer the following questions:**

1. Who proved that women invented agriculture?
2. How did the early man get his food?
3. What was the first crop cultivated by women?

**B. Choose the correct answer from a , b , c , or d:**

4. An archaeologist is a person who studies .....

- a) animal life                      b) agriculture life  
c) grass seeds                      d) buried remains of ancient times

5. The underlined word “they” refers to .....

- a) women                      b) seeds                      c) men                      d) animals

**6. Read the following passage , then answer the questions ( 4 marks )**

Successful marriage is the most effective form of social support; it relieves the effects of stress, and leads to better mental and physical health. While many studies have shown the great importance of social support, it is still clear exactly what this means. Most likely it consists of being a sympathetic listener or offering helpful advice; providing emotional support and social acceptance; giving actual help or financial help, and simply doing ordinary things together, like eating and drinking.

Husbands seem to benefit much more from marriage than wives do. Married women are in better physical and mental health, and are happier than single women, but these effects are nearly twice as great for men. Various explanations have been considered, but the most **plausible** is that wives provide more social support than husbands. Perhaps men need it more? They are more exposed to stresses at work, and have worse health, and die earlier than women.

**A) Answer the following questions:**

1. How effective is successful marriage from the social point of view?
2. Why are men in need of more social support than women?
3. In what aspect did married women excel single ones?

**B) Choose the correct answer from a, b, c, or d:**

4. The underlined word "**plausible**" is closest in meaning to.....  
a. untrue                      b. ambiguous                      c. reasonable                      d. vague
- 5- Successful marriage is useful for.....  
a. social support                      b. mental and physical health  
c. plausible support                      d. social acceptance

**D – The Prisoner of Zenda**

**7) A- Answer the following questions:- ( 4 marks )**

- 1 Show that Robert had an interest in Countess Amelia?
- 2-What was Marshal Strakencz?
- 3-What did the three men do once they opened the door of the summer house?
- 4- What happened at the lodge during the coronation?

**B- Read the following quotation and answer the questions below:- ( 3 marks )**

"I don't think it would be a good idea for Mr Rassendyll to visit Strelsau now."

- 1) Who said that? To whom?
- 2) Why did the speaker think it wasn't a good idea for Rassendyll to do so?
- 3) Why did the speaker have to change his opinion hours later?

**c) Find and correct the mistake in each of the following sentences: (2 marks)**

- 1-The Castle of Zenda was heavily guarded as the King was playing squash there.
- 2- Flavia was asked to guard the king's bedroom and stop anyone trying to get in.

**E – Writing**

**8. Write a paragraph of about 100 words about: (6 marks)**

Why do you think youth suffer from unemployment?

**9. A) Translate into Arabic: (3 marks)**

Global warming is not only a threat to our future health; it already leads to more than 150,000 deaths annually, according to a team of health and climate scientists at the World Health Organization.

**B) Translate into English: ( 2 marks)**

- 1- تتمتع مصر بسحر الطبيعة وجوها البديع ومناظرها الخلابة وتراثها الحضاري العريق.
- 2-من الضروري أن نبني جيلا قويا علي دراية بمشكلات بلده و كيفية حلها.

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