



ENGLISH LANGUAGE TEST

GRADE ELEVEN 'CORE'

Semester Two

First Session (Afternoon)

Name			
School		Class	

Write your answers on the Test Paper

Time: 2½ hours

Pages: 15

ELEMENT	Marks	Marks		Red Marker	Green Marker	Blue Checker
				Name	Name	Name
LISTENING	15					
GRM/VCB	10					
READING	20					
WRITING	15					
TOTAL	60					

LISTENING 1 (Items 1-7)

(7 marks)

You are going to hear a conversation between **Hassan** and **Mona**.
Listen, and shade in the bubble next to the correct option.

1. Hassan bought _____.

- samsung galaxy iPhone google pixel

2. He prefers _____.

- iPhone android blackberry

3. He likes this type of mobile because it has _____

- more customization options a better camera longer battery life

4. According to Mona, iPhone has _____.

- a better camera a better colour a better size

5. The Samsung Galaxy camera has a _____ as an extra feature.

- wide-angle lens telephoto lens macro lens

6. Hassan thinks that the battery life of the Samsung Galaxy is _____.

- terrible very short great

7. At the end, they decided to _____.

- go home go to mobile shop ask a friend



LISTENING 2 (Items 8-15)

(8 marks)

You are going to hear a biography about Shihab Al Riyami.

Part One: Listen and for each item, write a short answer (*not more than FOUR WORDS*).

8. Who is Shihab Al Riyami?

9. Where was Shihab born?

10. What age did he start playing volleyball?

11. What did Shihab receive at the Arab Volleyball Championship in 2018?

Part Two: For each item, shade in the bubble next to the correct option.

12. Shihab helped _____ club lead to several championships.

- Al Suwaiq Al Nahda Fanja

13. Shihab played a key role in helping Oman national team in _____.

- 2015 2018 2021

14. Shihab was a key player with the Omani team who got the fourth at the _____.

- Asian Volleyball African Volleyball American Volleyball

15. Shihab was the _____ at the 2018 Arab Volleyball Championship.

- best Setter best attacker best blocker

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**LISTENING
SCORE**

15

VOCABULARY (Items 1–5)

(2½marks)

For each item, shade in the bubble under the correct option.
 (There are three extra words in the box.)

Teens can often feel a lot of (1) _____ as they navigate through adolescence. The influence of their (2) _____ and social media can contribute to their feelings of insecurity, especially when it comes to physical appearance. (3) _____ is a common issue that many teens face, and it can be added to their stress and anxiety. Despite this, (4) _____ with friends and participating in activities they enjoy can help reduce some of these negative feelings. It's important for (5) _____ to remember that everyone has his own struggles and focusing on the positive aspects of life can make all the difference.

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GRAMMAR (Items 6-10)**(2½ marks)**

Complete each sentence with **ONE** word only.

6. She _____ having a new car tomorrow.

7. I've lived in Muscat _____ three years.

8. He is _____ most important person in my life.

9. If I _____ you, I'd send him an e-mail.

10. She can't drive, _____ she?



GRAMMAR/VOCABULARY (Items 11–20)

(5 marks)

For each item, shade in the bubble next to the correct option.

As a student, it's important to have (11) _____ and work hard to reach them. Seeing others succeed can (12) _____ us to do better too. We should take (13) _____ to review our progress and be proud of what we (14) _____ done. Talking with others can also help us learn new things and think about different ideas. With effort and determination, we can (15) _____ anything we want. By engaging in healthy (16) _____ and discussions with others, we can gain new information and learn from different viewpoints. (17) _____ takes time and effort, so (18) _____ give up if things get hard. Instead, use challenges as chances to learn (19) _____ grow. You (20) _____ keep working hard and you'll achieve your goals.

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**GRM/VCB
SCORE**

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READING 1 (Items 1-5)

(5 marks)

Read the texts. Are the statements which follow each text **True** or **False**?
 For each item, shade in the bubble under the correct option.

1.

Throughout history, there have been many inventions that have changed the way we live. Some of the best inventions include the wheel, the compass, and the printing press. These inventions have made our lives easier and more efficient.

Statement

True	False
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The printing press is considered one of the best inventions.

2.

Childhood is a time of wonder and discovery. It's a time when we learn about the world around us and develop our sense of self. Many of our happiest memories come from our childhood experiences, from playing with friends to exploring new places. Childhood shapes who we become as adults, and it's a time we'll always look back on with fondness.

Statement

True	False
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Childhood memories have no impact on who we become as adults.

3.

Mobile phones have become an essential part of our daily lives. They allow us to stay connected with friends and family, access information, and stay entertained on the go. With the advancement of technology, mobile phones have become more complicated, offering features such as high-quality cameras and advanced computing power.

Statement

True	False
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Technology made mobile phones simple.

READING 1 (continued)

4. Sports provide an effective means of maintaining good health and staying active. They encourage physical fitness, teamwork, and a competitive spirit, while also improving the development of valuable life skills like discipline.

Statement

True	False
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Playing sports can help develop important life skills.

5. Ali Al-Habsi is a retired Omani football goalkeeper who is considered one of the greatest Arab footballers of all time. He played for numerous clubs, including Bolton Wanderers and was the captain of the Omani national team.

Statement

True	False
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Ali Al-Habsi played football only for Omani clubs..

READING 2 (Items 6-12)**(7 marks)**

Read this email. Then, for each item, shade in the bubble next to the correct option.

Dear Crown Plaza Reservation Team,

I hope this email finds you well. My name is Ahmed, and I am interested in reserving a room at your hotel for my upcoming vacation. I will be arriving on 21st of June and departing on 30th of June, and I am hoping to reserve a private suite for the duration of my stay. I will be traveling with my wife, who will be celebrating her birthday which will be two days after our arrival, so I am hoping to make our visit extra special.

In terms of the room type, I am particularly interested in a private suite. I have researched your hotel online and have been impressed by the amenities and location. Your property appears to offer the perfect combination of comfort and convenience for my needs, and I would be grateful if you could reserve a room for me for the dates specified above.

If room type is not available, I would change to other options that are similar in terms of amenities and location. Additionally, I would appreciate it if you could provide me with information about any additional fees or charges that may be applicable, so that I can budget accordingly.

I would also like to inquire about any discounts or promotions that may be available during my stay. I am a member of [Hotel Rewards Program], and I am hoping that there may be a discount available to me. If not, please let me know if there are any other promotions or packages that I may be eligible for.

Finally, I would like to confirm the details of my reservation, including the dates of my stay, the room type, and the rate. If possible, please send me a confirmation email with all these details, as well as any additional information that may be relevant to my stay.

Thank you very much for your time and attention to this matter. I look forward to hearing back from you soon and to hopefully enjoying a wonderful vacation at your hotel.

Best regards,

Ahmed Al-Belushi

READING 2 (continued)

6. Ahmed is interested in reserving a _____ for the duration of his stay.
- standard room deluxe suite private suite
7. Ahmed is going to stay at the hotel for _____ nights.
- nine eight seven
8. Ahmed's wife will be celebrating her birthday in _____.
- June 21st June 23rd June 30th
9. Ahmed heard about the hotel _____
- from a newspaper through a search engine from a friend
10. Ahmed is requesting information about _____.
- room availability and fees tourist attractions hotel policies
11. Ahmed inquired about _____ in addition to reserving a room.
- attractions around hotel restaurant options discounts and promotions
12. Ahmed wants to receive the confirmation of their reservation _____.
- via phone call in-person at the hotel via email



READING 3 (Items 13-20)**(8 marks)**

Read the text about musical genius, and then complete the tasks.

When we talk about musical genius, we often think of musicians who have left a great mark on the music industry. One such artist is Michael Jackson. Michael Jackson was born on August 29, 1958, in Gary, Indiana, in the United States. He was one of ten children and grew up in a working-class African American family. His albums, such as "Thriller" and "Bad," have sold millions of copies worldwide and continue to be celebrated as some of the best pop music ever created.

Another musical genius that comes to mind is Beyonce. She was born on September 4, 1981, in Houston, Texas, in the United States. She was raised in a musical family and has two younger siblings, Solange and Nixon, who are also musicians and have supported her throughout her career. She is known for her powerful voice, dynamic stage presence, and her ability to create songs that are both catchy and meaningful. Her music has touched the lives of millions of fans around the world, and she has received many rewards for her work, including multiple Grammy Awards.

In addition to these two artists, there are many others who have left a lasting impact on the music industry, including Prince, Stevie Wonder, and Whitney Houston. Prince taught himself to play multiple instruments and was a natural performer, Stevie Wonder was a child prodigy who learned to play piano, harmonica, and drums, while by the age of 10, Whitney Houston grew up singing in her church choir. These musicians have created timeless songs that continued to be enjoyed by fans of all ages, and their influence can be heard in the work of a lot of modern artists.

Overall, musical genius is a term that is often used to describe artists who have created music that is innovative, groundbreaking, and emotionally resonant. These musicians have left a mark on the music industry that is impossible to ignore, and their work will continue to inspire and influence generations of musicians to come.

READING 3 (continued)

Task 1: For each item, write a short answer (*not more than FOUR WORDS*).

13. Where was Michael Jackson born?

14. How many siblings does Beyonce have?

15. What important music award has Beyonce won multiple times for her work?

16. How did Prince develop his musical skills as a child?

Task 2: For each item, shade in the bubble next to the correct option.

17. _____ albums by Michael Jackson sold millions of copies worldwide.

- "Off the Wall" and "Danger"
 "Thriller" and "Bad"
 "Bad" and "Invisible"

18. _____ who is a musical genius is known for her powerful voice and stage presence.

- Beyonce
 Whitney Houston
 Adele

19. In her early age, _____ practiced to sing in a church.

- Adele
 Beyonce
 Whitney Houston

20. The songs of Prince, Stevie Wonder, and Whitney Houston _____.

- created new genres of music
 continue to be enjoyed by fans
 didn't have any effects on music

READING SCORE	
	20

