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## Theme 1

### The Brightest and Best



#### Evaluative writing

Write **at least 100 words** on the following topic:

**"Spending the holiday in Oman is better than travelling abroad"**

Do you agree or not? Give your reasons.

Your writing should be **clear** and **convincing**.

#### Narrative writing

Write a story of **at least 100 words** based on the following topic.

**Write about a place that you visited. What happened and what you did?**

Your story should be **lively** and **interesting**.

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Read the text below and check that you understand the meanings of the words and phrases in bold. Use a dictionary to help you.

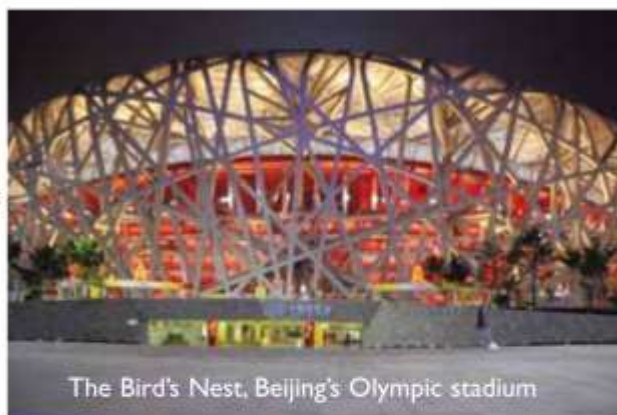
This is a theme of **world records** and **superlatives**. What could be more **prestigious** for an **athlete** than the chance to **compete** in the world's finest sporting event, the **Olympic Games**?

Thanks to the skills of modern **architects**, the world's tallest and most **elegant** buildings rise higher and higher into the sky. Yet the earth's **natural wonders** are even more **amazing**, such as the highest **waterfall** in the world and the driest desert. Oman too has produced its own brightest and best, including **internationally recognized** sports stars, and the first Omani to climb the highest mountain in the world.

World records	الأرقام القياسية العالمية
Superlatives	الأفضل
Prestigious	راقي ومرموق
An athlete	رياضي
The chance to compete	فرصة لكي ينافس
Finest sporting event	أفضل حدث رياضي
The Olympic Games	الألعاب الأولمبية
The skills of modern architects	مهارات فن العمارة الحديثة
Most elegant buildings	أكثر المباني أناقة
Rise higher and higher into the sky	ترتفع أعلى وأعلى في السماء
The earth's natural wonders	عجائب طبيعية للأرض
More amazing	رائعة أكثر
The highest waterfall in the world	أعلى شلال في العالم
The driest desert	أكثر الصحاري جفافاً
Internationally recognized	معروفة عالمياً
The first Omani	أول عماني
To climb the highest mountain in the world	يتسلق أعلى جبل في العالم

## The Beijing Olympic Games

1 In August 2008, China hosted the Summer Olympic Games for the first time. The Games were a brilliant success. They opened on 8 August in Beijing in a fantastic ceremony which lasted over four hours and featured more than 15,000 performers. During the Games, several hundred million people across the world watched on TV as more than 40 world records and over 130 Olympic records were broken.



The Bird's Nest, Beijing's Olympic stadium

2 Thirty-seven venues were used, including six outside Beijing. The equestrian events took place in Hong Kong while the sailing events were in Qingdao. Football matches took place in four other Chinese cities. The venues for the Games combined the best of ancient and modern China. The National Stadium, nicknamed the 'Bird's Nest', and the National Swimming Centre, nicknamed the 'Water Cube', were amazing examples of modern Chinese architecture. The road for the cycling race followed the Great Wall and passed in front of the Forbidden City, symbols of China from thousands of years ago.

China hosted	إستضافت الصين
The summer Olympic Games	الألعاب الأولمبية الصيفية
A brilliant success	نجاح باهر
A fantastic ceremony	حفلة افتتاح رائعة
Lasted over four hours	دام لأربع ساعات وأكثر
feathered	أزانه بالريش
More than 15,000 performers	أكثر من 15 ألف من المؤدين للعروض
130 Olympic records were broken	تم تحطيم 130 رقم قياسي عالمي
Thirty-seven venues were used	37 صالة رياضية تم استخدامها
The equestrian events	فعاليات الفروسية
Took place in Hong Kong	أقيمت في هونغ كونج
Sailing events	فعاليات الإبحار
'the "Bird's Nest"	عش العصفور
The National Swimming Centre	قاعة السباحة الوطنية
The "Water Cube"	مكعب المياه
Modern Chinese architecture	الهندسة المعمارية الصينية الحديثة
Followed the Great Wall	سارت بمحاذات السور العظيم
Symbols of China	رموز الصين



- 3 Athletes from a record 204 National Olympic Committees took part in the Games. Several countries won medals for the first time, such as Tajikistan, which won a bronze medal in judo, and a silver medal in wrestling. Mongolia won gold medals in boxing and judo, and Panama took its first gold medal in athletics. There were many champions at the Games. Two of the most memorable were the US swimmer Michael Phelps, who won 8 gold medals in swimming, and Usain Bolt, the Jamaican sprinter who broke both the 100m and 200m world records.
- 4 The closing ceremony was held on 24 August at the Bird's Nest and was just as amazing as the opening ceremony. It included singers from Hong Kong, the Chinese mainland, Singapore, Taiwan and the UK. The German film maker, Klaus Bedelt, wrote the music for the closing ceremony. Famous English footballer David Beckham made an appearance. The ceremony included the handover of the Olympic flag to the Mayor of the city next in line to host the Games – London in 2012.

Source: <http://www.olympic.org/beijing-2008-summer-olympics>

National Olympic Committees	لجان الأولمبياد الوطني
Took part in the games	شاركت في الألعاب
Won medals for the first time	فازوا بالميداليات لأول مرة
A bronze medal	الميدالية البرونزية
judo	رياضة الجودو
wrestling	رياضة المصارعة الحرة
Gold medals	الميداليات الذهبية
boxing	الملاكمة
athletics	ألعاب القوى
champions	أبطال رياضة
Most memorable	أكثر بروزا
sprinter	عداء (سريع الجري)
The closing ceremony	حفل الختام
singers	مغنون
Made an appearance	كان له حضورا في الحفل
Handover of the Olympic flag	تسليم علم الألعاب الأولمبية
The Mayor of the city	عمدة المدينة
Next in line	المستضيف التالي
To host the games	لإضافة الألعاب

2

Check the meanings of the words in bold in the list of topics below. Scan the text in Activity 1. Note down the letter of each topic that is mentioned in the text together with the paragraph number. Note – There is one topic that is not mentioned.

- a. Number of **world records** broken in the 2008 Olympic Games.
- b. Where the **equestrian** events took place.
- c. **Nicknames** given to modern buildings used in the Games.
- d. Olympic **champions** whom we will always remember.
- e. Oldest and youngest **participants** in the Games.
- f. The handing over of the Olympic flag to the **Mayor** of London.

3

Read the text again and answer the questions.

- a. How long did the opening ceremony last? (paragraph 1)
  - b. What two buildings were given nicknames? (paragraph 2)
  - c. Which country won its first gold medal? (paragraph 3)
  - d. What was handed over at the closing ceremony? (paragraph 4)
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2

Read the newspaper article below. After reading, make a list of the superlative adjectives which the article contains, in your exercise book.

## Daily Times

August 2011

### SAUDI ARABIA BEGINS CONSTRUCTION OF WORLD'S TALLEST BUILDING

Saudi Arabia has started work on the world's newest tallest building. This is the Kingdom Tower which is being built on the outskirts of Jeddah at a cost of \$1.2 billion. The Tower is the centrepiece of one of Saudi's most ambitious projects, the Kingdom City development, which will cost about \$20 billion.

The Kingdom Tower will be 1000 metres high (3,280 feet). This means that it will be 173 metres taller than the world's current tallest building, the Burj Khalifa. It will contain a hotel, luxury apartments, top class office space and the world's

highest observatory. The contract was won by the firm *Adam Smith + Gordon Gill Architecture*, based in Chicago. Adam Smith has the best experience of designing tall buildings in the Middle East, as he also designed the Burj Khalifa.

Apart from being the highest, the Kingdom Tower will also be one of the most elegant and most beautiful buildings in the world, with fabulous views of the Red Sea and Jeddah. It will contain 59 elevators, with the quickest travelling at a rate of 10 metres per second.



Source: [www.singularityhub.com](http://www.singularityhub.com)

construction	التشييد والبناء
Has started work on	بدأت العمل على
The world's newest tallest building	أحدث وأعلى مبنى في العالم
The Kingdom Tower	برج المملكة
The outskirts of Jeddah	ضواحي مدينة جدة
The centrepiece	محور
Most ambitious projects	أكثر المشاريع الطموحة
Will cost about \$20 billion	سوف يكلف 20 مليار دولار
The world's tallest building	أطول مبنى في العالم
Will contain	سوف يحتوي على
Luxury apartments	شقق سكنية فاخرة
The world's highest observatory	أعلى مرصد مراقبة في العالم
The contract was won by	تم الفوز باتفاقية البناء بواسطة
Has the best experience	لديه الخبرة الأفضل

Of designing tall buildings	في تصميم المباني العالية
The Middle East	الشرق الأوسط
The most elegant and most beautiful buildings	أكثر مبنى أنيقة وجمالا
Fabulous views	مناظر خلابة
Red Sea	البحر الأحمر
It will contain 59 elevators	سوف يحتوي على 59 مصعدا
At a rate of 10 metres per second	بمعدل 10 أمتار في الثانية

3

**Decide if the following sentences are grammatically correct and give your reasons. Write out the correct versions of the sentences in your exercise book.**

1. His hair is more longer than his sister's.
2. The Petronas Towers are the tallest twin towers in the world.
3. The cheetah is the most fastest land animal.
4. The River Nile is shorter than the Amazon.
5. Oman is the loveliest country in the world.
6. This lesson is the more longest in the timetable.
7. Chinese is difficulter to learn than Arabic.



1

Read the introduction to the article about Omani sports stars. Work in four groups – A, B, C, D, and read about the star as indicated. Make notes about your star in your exercise book.

A



### Ali Al Habsi (Football)

Ali Al Habsi is Oman's star goalkeeper. His performance in the 2009 Gulf Cup secured the cup for Oman, and won him the best goalkeeper award for the fourth time. Ali started playing football at the age of 8 or 9 in his village of Al Mudhaibi. By the age of 17 he was playing for the Oman national team. Later he went to Europe. He is the first Omani to play for the prestigious English Premier League.

#### Advice for young people:

"Everyone wants to be a footballer because they think it's very glamorous and exciting. But it's a lot of hard work. As with everything, you have to start at the bottom and give it all you've got. That's the way to succeed."

goalkeeper	حارس مرمى
performance	أداء
Gulf Cup	كأس الخليج
The Oman National Team	المنتخب الوطني العماني
The Prestigious English Premier League	الدوري الإنجليزي الممتاز المرموق
Glamorous and exiting	براق ومثير
To start at the bottom	أن تبدأ من القاعدة أو الأسفل

B



### Ahmad Al Harthy (Racing)

Ahmad Al Harthy is the first circuit racing driver in Oman. He fell in love with racing at the age of 7 or 8, when his brother took him go-karting. His first big race was at the Middle Eastern Championships in Bahrain in 2006, when he came second. Ahmad has had many successes, including winning podium places in the Porsche Carrera Cup GB. He is very concerned about road safety in Oman and better driver education.

#### Advice for young people:

"If you have a goal, stay motivated and don't give up. It's never about *not being able to*. There's always a way to follow your dream. Family support is very important too in helping you achieve your goals."

Circuit racing driver	سائق سباقات الحلبة
Go-karting	سباق السيارات الصغيرة
Championships	بطولات
Many successes	عدة نجاحات
Winning podium places	الفوز بالتتويج على المنصة
Very concerned	مكثرت جدا ومهتم
Stay motivated	يظل متحفز
Family support	دعم الأسرة
Achieve your goals	حقق أحلامك



### Hiba Al Rahbi (Horse riding)

Hiba Al Rahbi is a champion horsewoman and soldier. She has ridden with the Royal Cavalry in Oman since she was 9 years old. She has taken part in many international competitions. In 2007, she won an international dressage competition in Qatar. Hiba also does racing, and trick riding at the Royal Horse Show. She was the first girl in Oman to stand on a horse. She was winner of the 2009-2010 cup for the best female rider in Oman.

#### Advice for young people:

"Don't give up when things go wrong. Sometimes I've had bad luck – I fall or I've come third in a competition instead of first or second. But after a fall, you have to pick yourself up and get right back on your horse, and carry on."

A champion horsewoman and soldier	بطلة فروسية النساء وكذلك جنديّة
The Royal Cavalry	الخيالة السلطانية
She has taken part	شاركت في
International champions	بطولات دولية
She won	فازت
An international dressage competition	مسابقة ترويض الخيل الدولية
The Royal Horse Show	عرض للخيل السلطانية
The best female rider	أفضل راكبة خيل نسائية
Don't give up	لا تستسلم



### Shihab Al Riyami (Volleyball)

In 2011, Shihab Al Riyami became the first Arab to be selected to represent his country on the coaching committee of the prestigious Asian Volleyball confederation (AVC). He started playing volleyball when studying sports at Sultan Qaboos University in 1997. Since then, Shihab's aim has been to promote the development of volleyball in Oman, and set up more clubs where young people can play.

#### Advice for young people:

"Although you need to focus on studying first, sports are extremely important in our life. If you play a sport, you can improve your ability all round – as the saying goes, a healthy mind in a healthy body."

To represent his country	قام بتمثيل دولته
Coaching committee	لجنة التدريب
aim	هدف
To promote the development	للترويج بتطوير
clubs	أندية رياضية
Focus on	تركز على
Your ability	مقدرتك
A healthy mind in a healthy body	العقل السليم في الجسم السليم

2

Read the text below about the highest mountain in the world. After reading, find examples of conjunctions (linking words) and note them down in your exercise book. The first one has been found for you. Do NOT write in your Coursebook.

### The Highest Mountain in the World

Nepal is a small Asian country. It lies between India and China **and** is very mountainous. The highest mountain in Nepal is Mount Everest. It is 8,848 metres high and is also the highest mountain in the world.



In 1920, a group of British climbers tried to climb Mount Everest for the first time. However, they didn't succeed in reaching the summit because the air was too thin, and the climate was freezing. Between 1921 and 1953 many climbers tried to reach the top of Mount Everest. But each time the cold weather and the thin air stopped them. Moreover, many climbers died on the way. Then in 1953, two climbers finally reached the summit of Everest. They were Tenzing Norgay from Nepal and Edmund Hillary from New Zealand.

#### Tenzing Norgay

Tenzing Norgay was born in a small village in Nepal in 1914. He had twelve brothers and sisters and his family was very poor. He didn't go to school so he never learned to read or write. Tenzing looked after the family's animals and often took them up into the mountains to find food. Meanwhile, he learned many things about climbing.

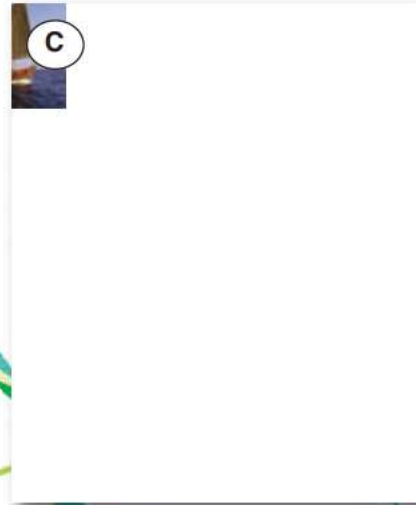
Tenzing tried to climb Mount Everest six times between 1935 and 1952. After he succeeded in climbing it in 1953, he became very famous. In 1955 he moved to India and started to teach mountaineering to young Asian climbers. He died in India in 1980.

It lies	تقع
mountainous	جبلية
Mount Everest	جبل افرست
British climbers	متسلقين بريطانيين
In reaching the summit	لبلوغ القمة
The air was too thin	الهواء كان قليل الأكسجين
The climate was freezing	المناخ كان قارسا
His family was very poor	عائلته كانت فقيرة جدا
Meanwhile	أثناء ذلك
He became very famous	أصبح مشهورا جدا
Mountaineering	هواية تسلق الجبال



## Theme 2

### Sources of Inspiration



#### **Narrative writing**

*Write a story of at least 100 words based on the following topic.*

**Write a story about a place which inspired you. Where did you go? What did you do there? How was the place?**

*Your story should be lively and interesting.*



2

Read the text below and check that you understand the meanings of the words and phrases in bold. Use a dictionary to help you.

Sometimes our lives may seem quite **dull** and ordinary. We watch too much television and are in danger of becoming **couch potatoes**. But if we only look, we can find **sources of inspiration** everywhere around us. Some special places, events or people **inspire** us with a sense of **pride**, and encourage us to **achieve** better things in our own lives. Sometimes it is a **fantastic** new building, like the Royal Opera House in Muscat, or else a person of **genius**. Sometimes it is a **fictional** story, such as a great **classic** novel, or a real life tale of amazing **courage**, such as the story of the brave **crew** of Jewel of Muscat.

seem	تبدو
Quite dull or ordinary	مملة وإعتيادية بعض الشيء
In danger of becoming	في خطر أن يصبح
Couch potatoes	مدمنين على مشاهدة التلفاز
Sources of inspiration	مصادر للإلهام
Special places, events or people	أماكن خاصة ومناسبات وأشخاص
Inspire us	تلهمنا
With a sense of pride	بالشعور بالفخر
Encourage us	تحمسنا
To achieve better things	لإنجاز أفضل الأشياء
A fantastic new building	مبنى رائع حديث
The Royal Opera House	دار الأوبرا السلطانية
A person of genius	شخص عبقرى
A fictional story	قصة خيالية
A great classic novel	رواية أدبية عظيمة
A real life tail	حكاية حقيقية من الحياة
Amazing courage	شجاعة مذهلة
The brave crew	طاقم السفينة الأبطال
The Jewel of Muscat	جوهرة مسقط

2

Read the article below. As you read, look for the answer to this question – What style of music does Vanessa Mae play?

### VANESSA MAE – MUSICAL PRODIGY

Vanessa Mae was already a world-famous musician before she became a teenager. She was born in Singapore in 1978, but when she was four years old, her family moved to London. Vanessa was only five when she started playing the violin. At the age of ten, she made her musical debut when she played with the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra in London. By the age of 13, she had already made three classical CDs. They included the violin concertos of Tchaikovsky and Beethoven. Vanessa was the youngest violinist in the world to record these two masterpieces.



Vanessa was keen to experiment with a range of musical styles. She began playing the modern electric violin and released a pop CD called The Violin Player in 1995. This sold more than 3 million copies. She has become famous for her 'crossover' style of music which combines classical music with rock and pop. Vanessa has received many awards and has performed at a large number of musical events and venues around the world. Today she is a musical star, equally at home when playing classical violin, or rock and pop music.

Musical prodigy	معجزة موسيقية
Her family moved to London	انتقلت أسرتها إلى لندن
She started playing the violin	بدأت العزف على آلة الكمان
Musical debut	أول ظهور موسيقي لها أمام الجمهور
Violin concertos	حفلات موسيقى الكمان
masterpieces	روائع
Was keen to experiment	كانت متحمسة لتجربة
Musical styles	أساليب موسيقية
Released a pop CD	أطلقت قرص لموسيقى البوب
Has received many rewards	نالته العديد من الجوائز
A musical star	نجمة موسيقية

1

Read the notice below. What kind of film is it advertising? After reading, choose the correct answer in each of the four statements under the notice. Note each answer in your exercise book.

The British Museum, London, presents a film about an Omani historic voyage

## Jewel of Muscat

Saturday 30 July 2011 14.00 – 16.00

A National Geographic documentary in two parts about *Jewel of Muscat*, a replica of a 9th century trading ship

**Part 1: Arab Treasure Ship** follows the search for materials from around the world to go into the ship, and her construction in Oman using traditional tools and techniques

**Part 2: Sailing the Treasure Ship** recounts *Jewel's* five month voyage from Oman to Singapore, with only traditional sails to carry her, and the challenges faced by the crew



Documentary	وثائقي
A replica	نسخة مطابقة للأصل
Arab Treasure Ship	سفينة الكنوز العربية
The search for materials	البحث عن الموارد
Her construction	بناؤها
Traditional tools and techniques	أدوات وتقنيات بدائية
recounts	يسرد قصة
voyage	رحلة بحرية
Traditional sails	أشرعة تقليدية
The challenges faced by the crew	التحديات التي واجهها الطاقم

2

Read the article below about *Jewel of Muscat*. As you read, look for the answer to the following question. Why is *Jewel* a unique ship?

*Singapore Daily Times*

15 October 2011

## JEWEL OF MUSCAT GOES ON PUBLIC DISPLAY IN SINGAPORE

Over 1,000,000 people a year expected to view Omani ship

*Jewel of Muscat* went on show to the public in Singapore today. Her new home is the Maritime Experimental Museum and Aquarium, at Resort World Sentosa.

the coast of Indonesia in 1998. *Jewel* was built in Qantab near Muscat using traditional tools and materials, with no nails or screws. Her wooden planks were sewn together with coconut fibre.

*Jewel of Muscat* is a replica of a 9th century Arab trading ship, which was discovered in a wreck off

*Jewel* left Muscat on 16 February 2010. She sailed to Singapore via India, Sri Lanka and Malaysia. Her

Went on show to public	ذهبت لتصبح كعرض للجمهور
Maritime Experimental Museum	متحف الملاحة البحرية التجريبي
A wreck off the coast of Indonesia	حطام على الساحل الأندونيسي
With no nails or screws	بدون مسامير أو مسامير لولبية
Her wooden planks	الواحها الخشبية
Were sewn together	ثم تثبيتها معا
With coconut fibre	بألياف أشجار جوز الهند

voyage was amazing because she had no engine, and no modern technology was used to navigate her. The crew steered her by the stars, and the kamal and sextant, old instruments that the Arabs used in ancient times.

On 3 July 2010, she was presented in a formal ceremony to the government of Singapore as a gift from His Majesty. Now over a year later she has been moved to the new museum.

There, she will help to educate thousands of visitors about Oman's great maritime heritage.



Captain Saleh using the kamal

She had no engine	لم يكن بها محركات
No modern technology	ولا تكنولوجيا حديثة
To navigate her	الإبحار بها
The crew steered her	الطاقم قادوها
By the stars	باستخدام النجوم
The Kamal and sextant	آلة الكمان وآلة السدس
Old instruments	أدوات بدائية
Ancient time	العهد القديم
Was presented in a formal ceremony	تم تقديمها في حفل رسمي
As a gift from his Majesty	كهدية من جلالته
Oman's great maritime heritage	التاريخ البحري العماني العظيم



## Couch Potato Kids

Many parents and teachers in the UK have expressed concern over the last few years about the number of hours that children spend in front of the television. According to recent statistics, teenagers watch between two and a half to three hours of television every day. Many watch television in the mornings while eating breakfast, but most viewing is done after school.

The most popular viewing times for teenagers are between seven and nine o'clock at night. They watch quiz shows, soap operas and music programmes. In the UK, research has shown that boys watch more sport and science fiction than girls. Girls watch more drama series, news programmes and documentaries.

There is increasing concern with rising obesity levels amongst children in the UK. Many people believe that a lack of physical exercise and too much time sitting in front of the television or computer screen is causing a generation of couch potatoes.



Source: [www.ofcom.org.uk/research/tv](http://www.ofcom.org.uk/research/tv)

Couch of potatoes kids	أطفال مدمنين على التلفاز
Parents and teachers	الآباء والمعلمين
Expressed concern	عبروا عن قلقهم
Spend in front of TV	يقضونه أمام شاشات التلفاز
According to recent statistics	فيما يتعلق بأخر إحصائيات
teenagers	المراهقين
The most popular viewing times	أكثر أوقات المشاهدة شيوعا
Quiz shows	برامج المسابقات
Soap operas	المسلسلات الدرامية
Music programmes	البرامج الموسيقية
Science fiction	أفلام الخيال العلمي
Drama series	المسلسلات الدرامية
documentaries	الأفلام الوثائقية
There is an increasing concern	هناك قلق متزايد
Rising obesity levels	تزايد مستويات البدانة
Amongst children	بين الأطفال
Many people believe that	الكثير من الناس يؤمنون بأن
A lack of physical exercise	قلة الحركة البدنية
Generation of couch potatoes	جيل من مدمني التلفاز

**Evaluative writing**

Write **at least 100 words** on the following topic:

**"Spending time in front of TV is better than exercising"**

Do you agree or not? Give your reasons.

Your writing should be **clear** and **convincing**.

**Evaluative writing**

Write **at least 100 words** on the following topic:

**"Outdoor activities is better than indoor activities"**

Do you agree or not? Give your reasons.

Your writing should be **clear** and **convincing**.

**Evaluative writing**

Write **at least 100 words** on the following topic:

**"Spending too much time in front of screens causes healthy problems "**

Do you agree or not? Give your reasons.

Your writing should be **clear** and **convincing**.

**Evaluative writing**

Write **at least 100 words** on the following topic:

**"Spending time with friends is better than with the family"**

Do you agree or not? Give your reasons.

Your writing should be **clear** and **convincing**.

## Moby Dick

*Moby Dick* is one of the world's great adventure stories. It was written by the American author, Herman Melville, in 1851. It is the story of a mad sea captain, Captain Ahab, and his hunt for the great white whale, Moby Dick.

The story is told by one of the crew members, Ishmael, on Captain Ahab's ship, the *Pequod*. Ishmael tells us that Captain Ahab has a false leg. We learn he lost his real leg on a previous whale hunting trip, when Moby Dick bit it off. Now Captain Ahab has only one desire – revenge on Moby Dick.

The *Pequod* is a whaling ship with a crew from many different countries.

The men joined the ship to kill as many whales as possible and make lots of money from whale oil. But Captain Ahab tells them they are only going to hunt one whale – Moby Dick. The crew are very unhappy, but there is nothing they can do.

Finally, the *Pequod* finds Moby Dick. Captain Ahab orders his men to attack the whale and kill it. But instead, Moby Dick attacks the *Pequod* and sinks it. Ahab and all his crew are drowned. The only person to survive is Ishmael, the storyteller, who is saved by a passing ship.

*Moby Dick* is a very exciting and powerful story. It is also very interesting, because you learn a lot about whales, and life at sea on a whaling ship. The character of Captain Ahab is especially complex. We feel sorry for him, but at the same time he makes us angry. In the end, his crew die just because of his mad desire for revenge. I would definitely recommend *Moby Dick* to anyone who enjoys adventure stories and tales of the sea.



Moby Dick	إسم الحوت الذي يريد بطل القصة الانتقام منه
Adventure stories	قصص المغامرات
The American author	كاتب ومؤلف أمريكي
A mad sea captain	قبطان سفينة مجنون
His hunt for the great white whale	إصطياده للحيتان البيضاء الضخمة
A false leg	ساق إصطناعية
A previous whale hunting trip	رحلة صيد سابقة للحيتان
Make lots of money	لجمع المال
Whale oil	زيت الحيتان
Orders his men	يأمر رجاله

To attack the whale	بالهجوم على الحوت
But instead	ولكن بدلا من ذلك
Pequod	إسم السفينة التي تدور عليها أحداث القصة
Sinks it	يغرقها
All his crew are drowned	غرق جميع طاقمه
To survive	ينجو
The storyteller	الذي يحكي القصة
Saved by a passing ship	تم إنقاذه بواسطة سفينة عابرة
His mad desire for revenge	رغبته المجنونة في الإنتقام

### Narrative writing

Write a story of at least 100 words based on the following topic.

**Write a story about a voyage trip when something wrong happened. Where did you go? Who was with you? What happened? How did you solve the problem? What did you learn from that story?**

*Your story should be lively and interesting.*

### Evaluative writing

Write **at least 100 words** on the following topic:

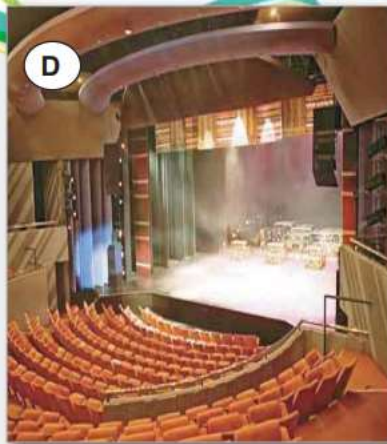
**"Reading English stories can improve our learning skills"**

Do you agree or not? Give your reasons.

*Your writing should be **clear** and **convincing**.*



## Theme 3 Connections



### Evaluative writing

Write **at least 100 words** on the following topic:

**"Social media connects more people together"**

Do you agree or not? Give your reasons.

Your writing should be **clear** and **convincing**.

2

Read the text below and check that you understand the meanings of the words and phrases in bold. Use a dictionary to help you.

"No man is an island, **entire** of itself". So wrote a famous English poet hundreds of years ago. Today, human beings need other people just as much as in the past. We can **connect** electronically through **social networking sites**, or in person. Young people travel to other countries, to form connections by working on **community projects** and taking part in **adventure challenges**. Sometimes we have an important **message** to get across to others. One **powerful** tool which helps us to do this is **drama**. In a quieter way, we can connect with ourselves and our own past **experiences** through the **memories** we store in our brains.

Entire of itself	من تلقاء نفسه
A famous English poet	شاعر إنجليزي مشهور
Human beings	البشر
We can connect electronically	نستطيع التواصل إلكترونياً
Though social networking sites	عبر شبكات التواصل الإجتماعي
Community projects	مسارح خدمة المجتمع
Taking part in	يشاركون في
Adventure challenges	تحديات المغامرة
Important message	رسالة هامة
Powerful tool	أداة فعالة
drama	التمثيل
Our own past experiences	تجاربنا السابقة
The memories	الذكريات
We store in our brain	التي نحتفظ بها في عقولنا

### Why do we need friends?

Friends fulfil important needs. They can affirm our personal value by showing how much they appreciate us – for example, by admiring our skill at playing sport, or by laughing at our jokes. A person who needs to feel that they are very popular, chooses friends who will allow and even encourage him or her to be the centre of attention.



Another need that a friend fulfils is security. A friend does nothing to hurt us, or to draw attention to our weaknesses. This means that friends can interact openly and freely without having to worry about a critical response. Friends can also help us view ourselves as a better person, by encouraging us to feel that our actions are worthy. Sometimes too we need friends to stimulate us. A friend introduces us to new ideas, for example by bringing us into contact with new food, new movies or fashions.

If you were to ask people to complete the statement 'I most need a friend when ...' they would probably answer in one of two ways. Some people would say, 'I most need a friend when I'm down' or 'I most need a friend when I have a problem'. We need a friend when we're feeling depressed so that he or she will make us feel a little better, and help to alleviate the pain we are feeling. If we have no friend to talk to, a minor problem can turn into a major one, and we can end up with real heartache.

The other way to complete the statement would be to say 'I most need a friend when I want to share my good news' or 'I most need a friend to enjoy something with.' In other words, we need a friend to increase our pleasure. A great part of the joy of winning a competition, or getting good news is telling someone else about it. Ordinary pleasures like going to the cinema are better when shared with a friend. It's great to have someone to discuss the movie with afterwards.

Source: Academic Encounters (1997) Bernard Seal (ed), Cambridge University Press

Why we need friends?	لماذا نحتاج للأصدقاء
Fulfil important needs	إنجاز رغبات هامة
Can affirm	بإستطاعتهم التأكيد على
Our personal value	فيمتنا الشخصية
Appreciate us	يقدرونا
By admiring our skills	بالإعجاب بمهاراتنا
Laughing at our jokes	بالضحك عند سماع دعابتنا
popular	مشهورين
Chooses friends	إختيار أصدقاء
Will allow and even encourage	سوف يسمح وربما يشجع على
To be the centre of attention	لنكون مركز إهتمام

security	الأمن والسلامة
A friend does nothing to hurt us	الصديق لا يقوم بعمل ليجرحنا
or to draw attention to our weakness	أو شد الإنتباه لعيوبنا
Friends can interact openly and freely	الأصدقاء يتفاعلون علانية وبحرية
A critical response	إستجابة محرجة
View ourselves	نرى أنفسنا
Our actions are worthy	أعمالنا ذات قيمة
We need friends to stimulate us	نحتاج للأصدقاء ليشجعونا
A friend introduces us to new ideas	الصديق يقدمنا لأفكار جديدة
Bringing us into contact	يتواصلون معنا
fashions	موضة
When I'm down	عندما يصيبني الإحباط
I have a problem	لدي مشكلة
When we're feeling depressed	عندما نشعر بالإكتئاب
To alleviate the pain	ليخفف الألم
A minor problem	مشكلة صغيرة
A major problem	مشكلة كبيرة
To share my good news	لأشارك بأفكاري المفيدة
To increase our pleasure	لزيادة متعتنا بالحياة
The joy of winning a competition	متعة الفوز بالمنافسة
When shared with a friend	عند مشاركتها مع صديق

### Evaluative writing

Write **at least 100 words** on the following topic:

**"Friends are important in our life"**

Do you agree or not? Give your reasons.

Your writing should be **clear and convincing**.



## Unit 2 Social Networking

1

Read the text below, then choose the correct phrase in each of the four statements underneath.

### Get Connected!

7th January 2012

Have you signed up to a social networking site yet? Over 100 million people have already signed up to the most popular international site. Social networking is becoming one of the most talked about sensations on the Internet. And it's big business. One of the biggest and best known sites has just been sold for over a billion US dollars.

- 5 Typically, these social networking sites allow you to post personal profiles, lists of your online friends, interactive blogs, photos, music and videos for other users to see. You can post your profile on networks that are available globally which means you can connect with other users in many different countries. Or you can choose a network where you may already know most of the people as they connect old school friends and workmates.
- 10 However, despite their popularity, there have been complaints about the problems of cyberbullying and safety. Many sites have already made attempts to protect younger users, but some sites have still not put security systems in place. Other critics are worried about the negative social effects such as impersonal, 'virtual' friendships will have on individuals in the future.

Social networking	شبكات التواصل الإجتماعي
Sign up	إشتراك
The most popular international site	أكثر موقع عالمي له شعبية
Sensations on the internet	أحداث مثيرة ومشاعر على الإنترنت
business	الأعمال التجارية
To post personal profiles	لنشر الملفات الشخصية
Lists of your online friends	قائمة بأسماء أصدقائك على الإنترنت
Interactive blogs	المدونات الإلكترونية التفاعلية
You can post	تستطيع نشر
Available globally	متوفرة عالميا
Connect with other users	تتصل مع مستخدمين آخرين
Workmates	زملاء العمل
However, despite their popularity	ولكن رغم شعبيتها
Complaints about	يشكون من
cyberbullying and safety	الإساءة الإلكترونية والأمان
Made attempts	قامت بمحاولات
To protect younger users	لحماية المستخدمين الصغار
Security systems	أنظمة سلامة
The negative social effects	الآثار الاجتماعية السلبية
Impersonal virtual friends	الأصدقاء الافتراضيين المجهولين

## Rosemary for Remembering

The herb rosemary has been associated with improving the memory for hundreds of years.

5 A famous English statesman, Sir Thomas More, said, "Rosemary is the herb sacred to remembrance, and therefore, to friendship." In the past, people at funerals in the West often threw sprigs of rosemary into the coffin of a dead person before burial. This was to make sure the dead person would not be forgotten.

10 Shakespeare mentioned rosemary in two of his great tragedies. In Hamlet, Hamlet's fiancée, Ophelia, is starting to go mad. She starts talking about plants and says, "There's rosemary, that's for remembrance . . ." In Romeo and Juliet, the priest says over Juliet's dead body, "Dry up your tears, and put rosemary on this fair corpse; and as the custom is, take her to church."

15 But does rosemary really help us to remember things? The answer is yes. Scientists today have found that there really is a connection between rosemary and memory. Rosemary contains carnosic acid, which is neuroprotective – in other words, it protects brain cells from damage. This damage can lead to disease such as Alzheimer's disease and other brain disorders. Now, researchers plan to develop drugs based on the carnosic acid in rosemary.

20 In another study, scientists found that the scent of rosemary improved the memory of office workers. So next time you are in the herb section of the supermarket, remember to buy some rosemary and add it to your food. It is not only delicious, but it may help you to remember a lot of other things.



Source: [www.healthdiaries.com/eatthis/rosemary-for-remembrance.html](http://www.healthdiaries.com/eatthis/rosemary-for-remembrance.html)

The herb Rosemary	عشبة إكليل الجبل
Has been associated	قد إرتبطت ب
Improving the memory	تحسن الذاكرة
A famous English statesman	رجل سياسة إنجليزي
The herb sacred to remembrance	العشبة المقدسة للذكرى
At funerals	في الجنائز
Threw springs of rosemary	يرمون أكاليل من عشبة إكليل الجبل
Into the coffin of the dead person	داخل تابوت الشخص المتوفى
Before burial	قبل الدفن
The dead person wouldn't be forgotten	لكي لا يتم نسيان ذلك المتوفى
Shakespeare mentioned	ذكر شكسبير
His great tragedies	رواياته المأساوية
The priest	الكاهن

Dry up your tears	جففي دموعك
The custom	العادة أو العرف
church	كنيسة
Scientists today have found that	إكتشف العلماء في عصرنا الحاضر
Rosemary contains carnosic acid	عشبة إكليل الجبل تحتوي على حمض الكارنوسيك
neuroprotective	عامل مساعد لحماية الخلايا العصبية
It protects brain cells from danger	يحمي خلايا الدماغ من الخطر
Can lead to disease	يمكن أن يؤدي إلى مرض
Alzheimer's disease	مرض الزهايمر
Other brain disorders	إضطرابات العقل الأخرى
Researchers plan to develop drugs	الباحثون يخططون لتطوير عقارات
Based on	تعتمد في الأساس على
The scent of rosemary	رائحة نبتة إكليل الجبل
Improved the memory of	تحسن الذاكرة
Office workers	العاملين في المكاتب
In the herb section	في قسم الأعشاب
Add it to your food	قم بإضافتها إلى طعامك
It is not only delicious	هي ليست فقط لذيذة

### Evaluative writing

Write **at least 100 words** on the following topic:

**"Herbal medicines are more beneficial than chemical drugs"**

Do you agree or not? Give your reasons.

Your writing should be **clear and convincing**.



## Unit 5 Volunteers

1

In groups, read the following text. As you read, look for the answer to this question – What kind of organisation is *Cook International*? Then discuss the questions under the text?



### About Cook International

*Cook International* began as 'Project Cook' in 2000. This project aimed to develop confidence and leadership, team-building and management skills in young people through adventure, scientific research and exploration. The participants travelled around the world on sailing ships, learning sailing and navigation skills. In addition, they stopped along the way to complete community service projects on land. They were accompanied by some of the world's leading sailors, adventurers and scientists.

Due to the success of the voyages and the interest generated around the world, in 2004, 'Project Cook' became *Cook International*, a UK based charitable youth organisation.

Since then, thousands of young people from many different countries have joined community aid projects and adventure challenges. *Cook International* has enabled them to find out about each others' lives, share experiences and form lifelong friendships while helping developing societies.

1. Do you think that volunteering is a good thing? Why?
2. Have you ever volunteered for an organisation or a specific project?
3. Would you like to be a volunteer on a *Cook International* project?

volunteers	المتطوعين
This project aimed	كان يهدف هذا المشروع
To develop confidence and leadership	إلى تطوير الثقة والقيادة
Team-building and management skills	مهارات بناء العمل الجماعي والإدارة
In young people	في الشباب
Through adventure	من خلال المغامرة
Scientific research and exploration	البحث العلمي والاستكشاف
The participants travelled around the world	سافر المشاركون حول العالم
On sailing ships	على متن سفن شراعية
Learning sailing and navigation skills	ليتعلموا مهارات الإبحار الشراعي والملاحة



To complete community service projects	لإستكمال مشاريع خدمة المجتمع
They were accompanied by	رافقهم
Some of the world's leading sailors, adventurers and scientists	بعض كبار البحارة والمغامرون والعلماء من مختلف دول العالم
Due to the success of the voyages	بدافع نجاح الرحلات البحرية
Charitable youth organisation	منظمة الشباب الخيرية
Enabled them	لتمكنهم
To find out about	من إكتشاف
Share experiences	مشاركة الخبرات والتجارب
Form lifelong friendships	تكوين صداقات طويلة الأمد
Helping developing societies	المساعدة على تطوير المجتمعات

### Evaluative writing

Write **at least 100 words** on the following topic:

**"Teenagers should participate in volunteer work"**

Do you agree or not? Give your reasons.

Your writing should be **clear and convincing**.

### Narrative writing

Write a story of at least 100 words based on the following topic.

**Write a story about a volunteer work which you participated in. what did you do to help the community? What skills did you learn from this charity work?**

Your story should be **lively and interesting**.

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# Cook International

Our volunteer programmes enable participants aged 17 – 23 and staff volunteers aged 28+ from all over the world and from all backgrounds to undertake a unique blend of mental and physical challenges.

A typical nine-week programme is made up of three separate projects: a community project, and environmental project and an adventure challenge. There are also five-week project options consisting of either a community or environmental project and a team-based adventure challenge. Staff volunteers can choose from the nine or five week programmes. In addition, staff volunteers will need to undertake two or three weeks pre-programme training in-country and a post-programme review.



Our volunteer programmes	برامجنا التطوعية
Enable participants	تمكن المشاركين
Staff volunteers	الموظفين المتطوعين
From all over the world	من مختلف دول العالم
From all backgrounds	من خبرات مختلفة
To undertake a unique blend	ليأخذوا على عاتقهم الإندماج الفريد من نوعه
Of mental and physical challenges	تحديات نفسية وبدنية
Three separate projects	ثلاثة مشاريع منفصلة
A community project	المشروع المجتمعي
Environmental project	المشروع البيئي
An adventure challenge	مشروع تحدي المغامرة
Consisting of	يتكون من

The countries that we work in, include Bahrain, Honduras, Namibia, Tanzania, Sri Lanka and Oman.

### 17 – 23 Volunteers

Are you aged between 17 and 23? Do you have a sense of adventure? Do you want to make friends with people your age from around the world? Are you outgoing? Friendly? Confident? Able to work in a team and independently? If so, then our nine-week volunteer projects may be right for you. We will teach you new skills, both practical and personal and provide you with experiences you will never forget. Send us a short letter telling us where you would like to volunteer and about any skills or experience you have that you think may be useful.

If you don't think that any of these apply to you – don't worry; they will by the time you have completed one of our programmes!

\* Volunteers under 17 need parental or guardian consent.



Do you have a sense of adventure?	هل لديك حس المغامرة؟
Are you outgoing? friendly? Confident?	هل أنت محب للخروج والسفر؟
Able to work in a team and independently?	قادر على العمل في فريق والعمل باستقلالية؟
May be right for you	ربما ملائم لك
We will teach you new skills	سوف نعلمك مهارات جديدة
Practical and personal	مهارات عملية وشخصية
Provide you with experiences	سوف نزودك بالخبرات والتجارب
Send us a short letter	ارسل لنا رسالة قصيرة
About any skills or experience you have	عن أي مهارات أو خبرة تمتلكها
May be useful	ربما تكون مفيدة

## Theme 4 Beginnings and Endings



A



B



D



C



E

2

Read the text below and check that you understand the meanings of the words and phrases in bold. Use a dictionary to help you.

In some **societies**, a traditional **ritual** called a **rite of passage** marks a young person's entry into **adulthood**. In most countries, it is the government which decides if we are **mature** enough to do things by imposing **legal ages**. One important life change is **marriage**, a cause for **celebration** throughout the world. Another popular **occasion** for celebration is New Year, when people look forward to the future, and some make **New Year resolutions**. Many nations mark important events in their history by colourful **festivals** and **carnivals**.



In some societies	في بعض المجتمعات
traditional rituals	طقوس تقليدية
A rite of passage	طقوس المرور
marks	علامات
A young person's entry into adulthood	دخول الشخص لمرحلة البلوغ
It is the country which decides	دور الدولة في إتخاذ القرار
If we are mature enough	إذا كنا ناضجين وبالغين كفاية
By imposing legal ages	بفرض أعمار قانونية
marriage	الزواج
A cause for celebration	سبب للإحتفال
Throughout the world	في أرجاء العالم
Popular occasion for celebration	مناسبة شعبية للإحتفال بها
New year resolutions	قرارات العام الجديد
Many nations	دول كثيرة
Mark important events	تسجل وتدون الأحداث المهمة
In their history	في تاريخها
Colourful festivals and carnivals	إحتفالات ومهرجانات مبهرة

The journey through life from birth to death involves several **gradual** changes, such as the **transition** from babyhood to childhood, from childhood to adolescence and from adolescence to adulthood. Every culture recognizes that these changes are important, and has developed rituals and ceremonies to mark them. A ceremony or ritual that marks a **significant** stage in someone's life is called a 'rite of passage.'



One important rite of passage happens to girls in Spanish speaking regions of Central and South America. When a girl reaches her fifteenth birthday, she has a special birthday party called a 'quinceañera.' This marks the end of her childhood, and her transition into **womanhood**. It starts with the girl dancing a **waltz** with her father. The girl is wearing a dress similar to a wedding dress, and shoes with flat heels. The dancing continues with the girl dancing only with her male relatives. After a while, the dancing stops and the ceremony marking her transition to womanhood begins.

This ceremony has three stages. First, the girl must blow out the candles of her 'childish' birthday cake, the last cake of this type she will ever have. Next, the youngest girl in the family, a sister or a cousin, hands her a present of a doll. But she gives it back, showing that she has finished with childish things. Finally, her mother gives her a present of a pair of shoes with heels. She places the shoes on her daughter's feet. This act is a **symbol** of the ending of the girl's childhood as she now steps into the world as a woman. The dancing starts again, but now the girl dances with partners who are not members of her family.

From birth to death	من الولادة إلى الوفاة
Involves several gradual changes	تتضمن تغيرات تدريجية متعددة
The transition	الانتقال
From babyhood to childhood	من مرحلة الطفولة الأولى إلى مرحلة الطفولة الثانية
From childhood to adolescence	من مرحلة الطفولة إلى مرحلة المراهقة
From adolescence to adulthood	من مرحلة المراهقة إلى مرحلة البلوغ
Every culture recognizes	تدرك كل ثقافة
Has developed rituals and ceremonies	قامت بتطوير طقوس وإحتفالات
Marks a significant stage	تضع علامة لمرحلة بارزة
Her transition into womanhood	انتقالها لمرحلة الأنوثة
Similar to a wedding dress	مشابه لفستان الزفاف
With her male relatives	مع أقربائها من الذكور
Must blow out the candles	يجب أن تنفخ لإطفاء الشموع
Hands her a present of a doll	تناولها هدية عبارة عن دمية
A pair of shoes with heels	حذاءين بكعب
This is a symbol of	هذا رمز ل
The ending of the girl's childhood	نهاية مرحلة طفولة الفتاة

4

Read the text below about the Masai. As you read, look for the answer to this question:  
What is the significance for Masai boys of killing a lion?



Other rites of passage consist of **trials** in which the participants learn important lessons about becoming an adult. These rites of passage are most typical of traditional societies. One example is found in the *Masai*, a tribe which lives in Kenya and northern Tanzania. In order to become men, boys have to **embark on** a two year journey, which includes a series of more and more difficult tasks. The final task is the hardest of all – to kill a lion using only a spear and a shield. (The killing of lions is now **illegal** in Kenya, but it still happens). Finally, when the boys have completed all their tasks, they are accepted as men.



Participants learn important lessons	المشاركون يتعلمون دروس مهمة
About becoming an adult	كيف يصبحون بالغين
Most typical of traditional societies	أغلب المجتمعات الأصلية التقليدية
The Masai	شعب الماساي
A tribe which lives in Kenya	قبيلة تعيش في كينيا
And Northern Tanzania	وفي شمال تنزانيا
In order to become men	لكي يصبحوا بالغين
Boys have to embark on	الأولاد ملزمين أن يخوضوا
A two years journey	رحلة لمدة عامين
Which includes	والتي تتضمن
More and more difficult tasks	مراحل أكثر فأكثر صعوبة
The final task is the hardest of all	آخر المراحل هي الأصعب
To kill a lion	بأن يقتلوا أسدا
Using only a spear and a shield	باستخدام رمح ودرع فقط
Now illegal	الآن غير مسموح به (غير قانوني)
They are accepted as men	ويتم الاعتراف بهم كبالغين

### Narrative writing

Write a story of at least 100 words based on the following topic.

**Write a story about a memorable day you never forget. What happened?**

**How did you feel at that time?**

*Your story should be lively and interesting.*

## Unit 2 Are You Old Enough?

1

Look at the photos below. In groups, discuss how old you have to be to do these things in Oman.

A



B



C



### Evaluative writing

Write **at least 100 words** on the following topic:

**"Teenagers should be allowed to learn driving a car at the age of 16"**

Do you agree or not? Give your reasons.

Your writing should be **clear** and **convincing**.

AT AGE ...	YOU CAN ...
12	buy a pet see films with a '12' certificate at the cinema or on DVD at home
13	work part time, but the number of hours and type of work is restricted
15	see films with a '15' certificate at the cinema or on DVD at home
16	get married with parental consent join the Armed Forces with parental consent apply for your own passport buy a lottery ticket leave home
17	learn to drive a car or van on a public road be sent to an adult prison if you have committed a crime
18	vote in an election join the Armed Forces without parental consent open a bank account without a parent's signature see films with a '18' certificate at the cinema or on DVD at home



4

Read the information about some wedding traditions from around the world. As you read, look for the answers to the questions below.

- Where does the bride traditionally wear red?
- Where does a young man have to give his bride's father a whale tooth?
- Where do henna parties take place?
- Where does a ritual involving coins take place?
- Where are there sometimes hundreds of guests at a wedding?

In **Oman**, a henna party is held at the bride's family house. The bride wears a traditional green dress, and covers her face with green material. Her hands and feet are decorated with henna. During the party, the groom and his family come and throw money into a large bowl.

In **Turkey**, there are sometimes four or five hundred guests at a wedding. The guests pin money – cash, cheques and gold – on the bride's dress and the groom's suit. This money is for the bride and groom to buy things for their new home, and their future life together.

A henna party is held	تقام حفلة الحناء
At the bride's family house	في بيت أسرة العروس
The bride wears a traditional green dress	وترتدي العروس فستان أخضر تقليدي
Covers her face with green material	وتغطي وجهها بلحاف أخضر
Her hands and feet are decorated with henna	يذاها وقدامها تزخرف بالحناء
During the party	خلال الحفلة
The groom and his family	العريس وأسرته
Throw money	يرمون نقودا
Into a large bowl	في إناء كبير
<b>Turkey</b>	<b>تركيا</b>
4/5 hundred guests at a wedding	400 أو 500 ضيف (معازيم) يحضرون الحفل
The guests pin money - cash	الضيوف يقومون بتثبيت أموال نقدية
Cheques and gold	وشيكات وذهب
On the bride's dress	على فستان العروس
The groom's suit	وعلى بذلة العريس
Their future life together	حياتهم المستقبلية معا

In **China**, the bride wears a wedding gown of red, the traditional colour of good luck, embroidered with flowers. The groom wears a black silk coat over a robe embroidered with a dragon. There are usually loud firecrackers as these are believed to scare away evil spirits.



In **India**, the bride at a Hindu wedding wears a red sari, a symbol of good luck. Her parents wash the feet of the bride and groom with milk and water to purify them for their journey through life. The groom's relatives put a small mark of red paste on the bride's forehead.

In **Spain**, a ritual called 'las arras' happens after the rings have been exchanged between the bride and groom. The groom puts thirteen gold coins into the bride's hand. These coins are a symbol of their intention of sharing all the worldly goods they are going to receive together.

In **Fiji**, it is traditional for a young man to present his bride's father with a gift of a whale tooth, a symbol of status and wealth. He also prepares a feast, and sends it to the bride's family. Before the wedding, the bride is tattooed, a sign of beauty in Fiji.

<b>China</b>	<b>الصين</b>
The groom wears a wedding gown of red	العريس يرتدي رداء أحمر
Colour of good luck	لون الحظ السعيد
Embroidered with flowers	مطرز بالزهور
A black silk coat	ومعطف أسود من الحرير
A dragon	تنين
Loud firecrackers	مفرقات صاخبة
To scare away evil spirits	لإخافة الأرواح الشريرة
<b>India</b>	<b>الهند</b>
A bride at a Hindu wedding	العروس في حفل الزفاف الهندوسي
Wears a red sari	ترتدي ساري أحمر
Her parents wash the feet	والديها يغسلون أقدام
Of the bride and groom	العروس والعريس
With milk and water	بالحليب والماء
To purify them	لتطهيرهم
For their journey through life	خلال رحلتهم الحياتية
A small mark of red paste	علامة من معجون أحمر

On the bride's forehead	على جبهة العروس
<b>Spain</b>	<b>أسبانيا</b>
After the rings have been exchanged	بعد تبادل الخواتم
Between the bride and the groom	بين العروس والعريس
Puts 13 gold coins	يضع 13 عملة ذهبية
Into the bride's hand	في يد عروسته
A symbol of their intention	رمز لنيتهم
Of sharing all the worldly goods	بتقاسم جميع البضائع الدنيوية
They are going to receive together	التي سوف يحصلون عليها معا
<b>Fiji</b>	<b>فيجي</b>
To present his bride's father	بالتعريف بوالد زوجته
With a gift	بهدية
Of a whale tooth	عبارة عن ناب حوت
A symbol of status and wealth	كرمز للمنزلة العالية وسعة العيش
The bride is tattooed a sign of beauty	يتم وشم العروس كعلامة للجمال

## Unit 4 New Year

1

Read the information below. Then discuss the questions underneath in groups.

Every year has a first day – New Year's Day. But not all New Year's Days fall on 1st January. The date of New Year depends on the calendar which a community uses. However, there is one thing about New Year that most cultures have in common. It is a time to celebrate. People say goodbye to the old year, and all its problems, and welcome in the new. New Year is a time to look back to the past, but, more importantly, to think about the future. It is a time for reflection and for optimism, and in some cultures, to make New Year resolutions.



- What traditional ways do you have of welcoming in the New Year, if any?
- What special food do you eat at New Year?
- Do you make any New Year resolutions? Give some examples.

New Year's Day	عيد رأس السنة
Depends on the calendar	يعتمد على التقويم
Which a community uses	الذي يستخدمه أي مجتمع
The most cultures have in common	معظم الثقافات تشترك فيه
The time to look back to the past	الوقت للنظر إلى الماضي
A time for reflection	الوقت للتأمل
And for optimism	وللتفاؤل
To make new year resolutions	لنصنع قرارات لعام جديد

### Evaluative writing

Write **at least 100 words** on the following topic:

**"It is important to learn about other cultures"**

Do you agree or not? Give your reasons.

Your writing should be **clear** and **convincing**.



3

Read the text below about New Year resolutions. Ask the other members of your group if they make New Year resolutions, and if so, what kind. Match the words and phrases in the list on the left with the meanings in the list on the right. Write the words and phrases into your exercise book, together with their meanings.

### New Year Resolutions

A New Year resolution is a promise you make to yourself to change your life in some way so that it becomes better. You may improve it by taking up something new; by trying harder at something; by cutting down on something or even by giving up something completely. Or you can just carry on doing what you are doing now!

- |                    |                       |
|--------------------|-----------------------|
| 1 give up          | a continue with       |
| 2 cut down on      | b stop                |
| 3 carry on         | c begin               |
| 4 try harder at/in | d reduce              |
| 5 take up          | e make more effort at |

New year resolutions	قرارات السنة الجديدة
A promise	وعد
To change your life	تغيير حياتك
So that it becomes better	لتصبح أفضل
By trying harder	من خلال المحاولة بجدية أكبر
By cutting down on something	بتخفيض
By giving up something completely	الإبتعاد عن
Carry on doing	الإستمرار في
Continue with	مواصلة
Stop	التوقف عن
begin	البدء في
reduce	تقليل
Make more effort at	بذل المزيد من الجهود

The next year, I will try to change my life in order to make it better and more successful. I will try harder to study hard and learn new things. I will cut down the time of watching TV.

In addition, I will give up eating junk food and soft drinks and eating out too. I will carry on doing exercises and becoming fit.

I will continue my future days with reading English stories in order to improve my reading skills. I will stop spending my money on useless things. I will reduce my time on playing video games. I will make more efforts on learning new words.

## SOUND BITES

### Stating Plans and Intentions

- I'm **going to** spend more time doing my homework.
- I'm **definitely going to** go on a diet.
- I **intend** to join a gym to keep fit.
- I've **decided to** take up horse riding.
- I'm **planning to** learn Spanish.
- I'm **not going to** watch as much TV.
- I **will definitely spend** less time playing computer games.
- I **won't** eat any more chocolate!

I'm going to spend more time doing my homework	سوف أقضي وقتا أطول بجل واجباتي
I'm definitely going to go on a diet	قطعا سوف أتبع نظام غذائي منظم
I intend to join a gym to keep fit	أعتزم أن ألتحق بصالة رياضية لأكون لائقا صحيا
I decided to take up horse riding	قررت أن أهتم بركوب الخيل
I'm planning to learn Spanish	أخطط لتعلم اللغة الأسبانية
I'm going to watch as much TV	سوف أتابع التلفاز أكثر
I will definitely spend less time playing computer games	طبعاً سوف أقضي وقت أقل في لعب ألعاب التسلية
I won't eat any more chocolate	لن أتناول الكثير من الحلويات والشوكولاتة

**1** Halloween is celebrated on the night of 31 October. It is a popular festival in many countries especially America, the UK and Ireland. According to many scholars, its origins began 2000 years ago. The Celts in Britain, France and parts of Ireland had a big feast to celebrate the beginning of winter. Later, when Christianity began, this feast was replaced by a holy day on 1 November. This day was called All Hallows Day. So 31 October became known as *All Hallows Eve* (the evening before All Hallows Day) which later became shortened to 'Halloween.'



**2** Hundreds of years ago on 1 November, poor people went from door to door asking for food. Today, this custom has been transformed by children, especially in America, into a modern Halloween game called 'Trick or treat?' Children visit their neighbours' houses dressed up as ghosts, witches and monsters. When people open their doors, the children call out "Trick or treat?" People usually give the children sweets or money, but when they don't, the children play a trick. Today, many teenagers and adults join in the fun and have Halloween parties where guests come in fancy dress.

Halloween is celebrated	عيد الهالوين
A popular festival	إحتفال له شعبية
According to many scholars	حسب العديد من العلماء
Its origins	أصوله
A big feast	وليمة كبيرة
The beginning of winter	بداية فصل الشتاء
When Christianity began	عند ظهور الدين المسيحي
Replaced by a Holly Day	تم إستبداله بيوم مقدس
Hallows Day	يوم الأقداس
Poor people	الفقراء
Asking for food	يطلبون الطعام

This custom has been transformed by children	هذا التقليد تم تحويله للأطفال
Neighbours	الجيران
Dressed up as ghosts, witches and monsters	يرتدون ملابس الأشباح والسحرة والوحوش
Trick or treat	إخدع أو إستضيف
Where guests come in fancy dress	حيث الضيوف يأتون بلباس فاخر

**3** Recently, the pumpkin has become a symbol of Halloween. People buy large pumpkins, cut off the top and scoop out the flesh inside. They cut out the shape of a face in the side of the pumpkin and put a candle inside to make a lamp. At night, the candle is lit to light up the face. This is called a Jack O'Lantern. People put the pumpkins in the front windows of their homes or in their gardens.



**4** Today, Halloween is big business with shops selling ready-made decorations and fancy dress costumes. Many Americans decorate their homes with models of spiders, bats, scarecrows, witches, vampires and mummies. Fancy dress Halloween costumes for children are sold in thousands of shops in America and the UK. The American film industry has also profited from the popularity of Halloween. Many horror films have been produced about the subject.

The pumpkin	اليقطين
Cut off the top	يقطعون الجزء العلوي
Scoop out the flesh inside	يخرجون الأحشاء الداخلية
They cut out the shape of a face	ويقصونها على شكل وجه
Put a candle inside	ويضعون شمعة بداخلها
Ready-made decorations	زخارف جاهزة
Fancy dress customs	تقاليد الفساتين الفاخرة
Spiders, bats, scarecrows, witches	عناكب وخفافيش وفضاعات وسحرة
Vampires and mummies	مصاصي الدماء وموميאות
Profited from the popularity	كسبت المال من تلك الشهرة



4

Read the definition of a carnival below. Then read the list of adjectives. Make a list in your exercise book of those which you might use in a description of a carnival.

**Carnival:** A festival in which people dress up in brightly coloured clothes and walk through the streets playing music and dancing.

calm                      crowded                      enjoyable                      quiet                      noisy  
 exotic                      colourful                      unusual                      spectacular                      tranquil  
 boring                      exciting                      peaceful                      lively                      busy

Calm	هادئ
Crowded	مكتظ بالناس ومزحوم
Enjoyable	ممتع
Quiet	هادئ
Noisy	صاخب ومزعج
Exotic	شاذ
Colourful	زاهي الألوان
Unusual	فريد وشاذ
spectacular	مذهل
tranquil	هادئ
boring	ممل
exciting	مثير
Peaceful	آمن
lively	مفعم بالحياة
busy	مزدحم