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**Total Mark (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: (5x10 = 50 marks)**

1. Our team really ----- to win the cup because they played very well.  
a. waned                      b. ascended                      c. resigned                      d. deserved
2. My grandparents ----- for lunch yesterday. We had a family gathering.  
a. put to                      b. came over                      c. came round                      d. bumped into
3. The government has a promising plan to solve the ----- problem of unemployment.  
a. palatial                      b. chronic                      c. dizzying                      d. astounded
4. After the mechanic had repaired my car, he advised me to check the engine more -----.  
a. frequently                      b. roughly                      c. seamlessly                      d. densely
5. A lot of people have complained about the ----- caused by the endless work on the roads.  
a. frost-bite                      b. ailment                      c. data                      d. overcrowding

**B -Fill in the spaces with the most suitable words from the list below:( 5 x10 = 50marks)**

( conceals /cookery / vice versa / narrates / exceptionally / reconstruction )

6. When we go on holiday our neighbours take care of our house and .....
7. This museum has been reopened after nearly two years of .....
8. This book ..... the life story of the Greek leader, Alexander the Great.
9. During the sale season, you can buy some electronic devices at ..... low prices.
10. My cat is afraid of strangers. It carefully ..... itself under the bed when we have visitors.

**II- GRAMMAR ( 60 Marks )**

**A – From a, b, c and d choose the most suitable answer: ( 4x10=40 marks)**

11. I have ----- time nor money to start my own business.  
a. either                      b. neither                      c. both                      d. and
12. ----- the first half of the game, the second half was dull and boring.  
a. Whereas                      b. However                      c. Instead of                      d. In comparison with
13. I always have my car ----- at that garage. They provide a really good service.  
a. repair                      b. was repaired                      c. repaired                      d. to repair
14. Nurses, ----- are responsible for looking after COVID- 19 patients, deserve our appreciation.  
a. who                      b. which                      c. where                      d. when

**B – From a, b, and c, choose the correct answer as required: ( 4x5 =20 marks)**

15. "Where have you been?"                      **(Change into reported speech)**  
a. My mother asked where had I been.  
b. My mother asked where I had been.  
c. My mother asked where I have been.
16. The artist rarely paid attention to his agent's advice.                      **(Begin with: Rarely)**  
a. Rarely the artist paid attention to his agent's advice.  
b. Rarely the artist did pay attention to his agent's advice.  
c. Rarely did the artist pay attention to his agent's advice.
17. The family (**finish**) preparing the food for the party when the guests started arriving.                      **(Correct the verb)**  
a. The family finishes preparing the food for the party when the guests started arriving.  
b. The family had finished preparing the food for the party when the guests started arriving.  
The family has finished preparing the food for the party when the guests started arriving.
18. You should save some money for a rainy day.                      **(Change into passive)**  
a. Some money should save for a rainy day.  
b. Some money should be saved for a rainy day.  
c. Some money should have been saved for a rainy day.

**III- LANGUAGE FUNCTIONS (40 Marks)**

**- Write what you would say in the following situations:(4x10= 40 marks)**

19. A friend of yours wants to continue his studies abroad.  
- .....
20. You couldn't hand over your project because your computer got a virus.  
- .....
21. Your parents don't allow you to use your mobile phone because you use it too much.  
- .....
22. Your friend is fully convinced that high speed is the main cause of road accidents.  
- .....

**IV- SET BOOK QUESTIONS (40 Marks )**

**- From a, b, c and d, choose the correct answer: (4x10 =40 marks)**

23. How can we show respect to the elderly?  
a. By asking them for money and support.  
b. We should build more geriatric homes for them.  
c. By staying active both physically and mentally.  
d. We should give them help and care about them.
24. Why do some people like to settle down in a city?  
a. Because it is so noisy and crowded.  
b. Because it is quieter and closer to nature.  
c. Because people like to travel a lot to the countryside.  
d. Because there are many modern services and better jobs.
25. What are the disadvantages of space exploration?  
a. It makes progress on earth more advanced.  
b. It lowers fuel consumption and emissions.  
c. It costs too much money, and it is dangerous to perform.  
d. It makes aircrafts lighter, faster and more economical.
26. Why do some people push themselves to the extreme limits?  
a. They like to get fame, money and self-confidence.  
b. They want to protect the environment and the atmosphere.  
c. They enjoy extreme cold, strong winds and dizzying heights.  
d. They have to do a lot of preparations before going on expeditions.

**V- WRITING (120 Marks)**

**Write on the following topic: Expository**

**“Life expectancy is an index to the advancement of both the country’s health system and personal lifestyle.”**

**Plan and write an essay of 14 sentences (160 words) about how the personal behaviours and the improvement of medical care affect people’s life expectancy.**

**NB: Your writing should include an introduction, 2 body paragraphs and a conclusion.**

**(Outline - 20 Marks)**

**Introduction:** .....

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**Body:**

**Paragraph 1 :** .....

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**Paragraph 2 :** .....

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**Conclusion :** .....

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**V- WRITING (120 Marks)**

**Write on the following topic:    Argumentative**

**" Living in the countryside is appealing . The lifestyle is peaceful and easy, but it's not for everyone."**

**While some people prefer to live in the countryside, others are against this idea.**

**Plan and write an essay of not less than 14 sentences (160 words) presenting both views and stating your position.**

**NB: Your writing should include an introduction, 2 body paragraphs and a conclusion.**

**(Outline - 20 Marks)**

**Introduction:** .....

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**Body:**

**Paragraph 1 :** .....

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**Paragraph 2 :** .....

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**Conclusion :** .....

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**VI- READING COMPREHENSION (110 Marks)**

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

One of the biggest and most expensive transportation projects in the world is bridge building. Bridges are important links that carry cars, trucks and trains across bodies of water, mountains or other roads. As a result, **they** have to be strong so that they won't fall or collapse.

Bridge collapses can be tragic events, leading to loss of life and serious property damage. That's why bridge engineers, designers and builders must always take their jobs very seriously. The best way for them to prevent these accidents is to understand why bridges collapse in the first place. Understanding bridge collapses can lead to major changes in the design, construction and safety of future building projects.

There are many reasons why bridges fall which can be either due to their design or to external factors. Historically, more bridges were made of wood and were much more sensitive to fire. This was particularly true of old train bridges that would sometimes catch fire and burn to the ground. Besides, a large number of bridge accidents occur during the construction of the bridge itself. These accidents are often due to an error made by the engineers, such as a miscalculation. The bridge collapses under its own weight, and this can be deadly for the workers on it at the time. Additionally, earthquakes damage all structures, including bridges. Luckily, this kind of collapse is relatively **infrequent**, especially with modern bridges. Engineers have learned to design bridges in earthquake zones on areas that are much more resistant to movement. Moreover, some bridge collapses are mysteries, and engineers only realise the reasons after they do a complete research. In some cases, this could happen because low-quality material was used in the construction, or because of a problem in an important part of the bridge. In other cases, the bridge was designed only to support a certain amount of weight and no more.

As for external factors bridge collapses can be due to boat or train crashes. Both of these kinds of accidents are extremely rare, but boats and trains can cause a bridge to collapse for different reasons. With trains, it's the high speed that can bring a bridge down. With boats, it's the heavy weight that can cause the collapse, even if they are moving very slowly when the crash happens.

The best way to avoid bridge failures is to plan for them. Modern technologies that can detect structural weakness, safer working environments and better designs can all help to reduce these terrible accidents.



**From a, b, c and d choose the correct answer: ( 5 X 10 = 50 marks)**

27. What is the **best title** for the passage?

- a) Civil Engineers
- b) Means of Transportation
- c) Devastating Earthquakes
- d) Reasons for Bridge Collapse

28. The underlined word “**infrequent**” in the 3<sup>rd</sup> paragraph is **closest in meaning to**:

- a) unreal
- b) invisible
- c) uncommon
- d) incorrect

29. The underlined pronoun “**they**” in the 1<sup>st</sup> paragraph refers to:

- a) bridges
- b) mountains
- c) other roads
- d) trucks and trains

30. According to the passage, when engineers understand why bridges fall down, they can:

- a) stop using boats and trains.
- b) stop designing bridges in earthquake zones.
- c) build bridges that only support a certain amount of weight.
- d) make changes in the designs, construction and safety of future bridges.

31. According to the passage, **all** of the following sentences are **NOT TRUE EXCEPT**:

- a) Earthquakes always damage bridges only.
- b) Boat crashes never cause bridge collapses.
- c) Low – quality material is one of the unknown reasons for bridge collapses.
- d) Engineers can’t realise why bridges collapse after doing a complete research.

**B) With reference to the passage, answer the following questions: ( 4 x 15 = 60 marks)**

32. In what way are bridges important?

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33. Why must bridge engineers, designers and builders take their job seriously?

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34. How could engineers avoid a bridge collapse due to earthquakes?

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35. How can modern technology help reduce bridge accidents?

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**VII - SUMMARY MAKING (60 Marks)**

**- Read the following passage, then do as required:**

It is hard to know where to start when beginning strength training. There are countless exercises you can do. Some of which work with certain bodies, while others don't. With some familiarity of the basics, you can begin to craft a routine helping you achieve your personal goals.

Strength training should be a part of your workout routine due to its numerous benefits. One purpose of strength training is to build muscles and improve bone density. For another thing, strength training increases the strength of ligaments and joint functioning. It can also help raise good cholesterol levels and lower blood sugar levels. Moreover, most people like strength training because of its most obvious benefit which is having a slimmer appearance.

**In a paragraph of FOUR sentences ONLY, summarize and paraphrase the passage above in answer to the following question:**

- What are the benefits of strength training?

**Answers must include the FOUR following ideas:**

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Rubrics	Content / relevance of ideas	Paraphrasing	Spelling and grammar	Paragraph format	Total
	30	20	5	5	60

**VIII – TRANSLATION ( 30 Marks )**

**- Translate the following into good English :( 2x 15 =30 marks)**

أحمد : هل أنت من النوع الذي يحب التحديات والمغامرات؟  
على : نعم ، فأنا عضو في نادي المغامرات الكويتي ، الذي يضم ذوي الخبرة من متسلقي الجبال .

Ahmed : .....

ALi : .....

**End of the Exam  
Good Luck**