

I- Read the following text then do the tasks below:

The Geneva Convention is a set of international laws that protect injured soldiers and civilians during war. The law makes sure that every person is treated well and with respect. The first treaty was written in 1864 but it is often changed due to different types of war. It was significantly updated in 1949 after World War Two. Syria is one of 200 countries in the world that agrees to follow the laws of the Geneva Convention. The agreement is important because during war a country might need help from neutral organisations to care for the wounded. The Red Crescent is one of the organisations that provides aid during times of war. It also helps injured people during peacetime. Countries who follow the laws of the Geneva Convention must not attack civilians, and they are not allowed to fight someone who is already hurt. It is illegal to ignore these rules, and a country found guilty of committing war crimes will be tried in a court of law. All soldiers, civilians and prisoners may receive medical help from doctors and nurses. They can be taken to a hospital without being attacked. Food can also be given to people involved in a conflict. Under the Geneva Convention it does not matter what religion, gender or nationality a person is or what his political views are; if someone is sick he must be treated without prejudice.

Answer the following questions: (18 marks)

- Has the Geneva Convention been changed? Why?
- What is the Red Crescent?
- What kind of help do people receive during war time?

Find words in the text which mean the following: (10 marks)

- negative attitude towards people who are different
- people not in the army

Rewrite these sentences about the text to correct the information: (12 marks)

- According to the Geneva Convention, it is allowed to attack civilians and injured soldiers.
- Only civilians can receive medical help during wartime.

II- Read the following text then do the tasks below:

Until recently, people often disposed of waste in open holes in the ground, called open landfills. But these open dumps were dangerous. Rainfall dissolved some of the chemicals from the waste, forming a liquid called leachate. Leachate could pollute the soil, run off into streams and lakes, or trickle down into the groundwater.

Some countries have banned the use of open dumps. Another type of landfill is called a sanitary landfill, which is specially constructed to hold the waste material more safely. A sanitary landfill holds municipal solid waste, construction **debris** and some types of agricultural and industrial waste. Once a sanitary landfill is full, it is covered with a clay cap to keep rainwater out.

Even well-designed landfills can pollute the soil and groundwater. And while capped landfills can be reused for some purposes, such as parks, they cannot be used for housing or agriculture.

Another solution is **municipal** solid waste composting. With this technique, all the solid waste that a community produces can be composted. This would dramatically reduce the volume of waste disposed of in sanitary landfills. One disadvantage of this type of composting is that heavy metals and toxic pesticide residues may be left in the **compost**.

Choose the correct answer a, b or c: (12 marks)

- When people first buried waste in open holes in the ground, they did this using landfills.
a. open b. sanitary c. capped
- In order to prevent rain from getting into the landfill, it is from the top.
a. incinerated b. composted c. closed

Match two of the underlined words from the text to the definitions below: (12 marks)

- decayed organic material used as a plant fertilizer
- relating to or belonging to the government of a town or city

Complete the following sentences with information from the text: (12 marks)

- The three methods of burying solid waste are
- Leachate is formed when

III- Complete the following paragraph by filling in the gaps: (18 marks)

14. February 29th 1960, an earthquake hit the Moroccan city of Agadir.
15. it lasted only fifteen seconds, it was one of the most destructive earthquakes of the 20th century.
16. When the rescue team arrived, the city had destroyed completely.

IV- Fill in the spaces with words from the list. Use each word once only: (24 marks)

weight - compass - find - length – lead

17. But Galileo hurried home to out
18. if what he thought was true. He took two pieces of that were of
19. the same and tied them to two short
20. ropes of equal He fixed the ropes to a chair.

V- Complete the following dialogue by writing suitable questions or answers. Write at least three words for each question: (32 marks)

21. **Ziad:**?
Adel: We migrated to Canada ten years ago.
22. **Ziad:**?
Adel: I was at the age of seven then.
23. **Ziad:** How did you feel when you left your country?
Adel:
24. **Ziad:**?
Adel: I always missed my friends.

VI- Rewrite the following sentences as required in brackets: (32 marks)

25. Hani speaks really quickly.
(use I wish)
26. They've **said yes** to the building of a new incinerator.
(use a color idiom)
27. People living near the bus station **tolerate** a lot of noise.
(use a three-part phrasal verb)
28. I'm really tired, but I can't sleep at night.
(use I wish)

VII- Complete the following sentences using clauses: (14 marks)

29. When I was a student,
30. She will be punished if

VIII- Choose the correct word in brackets: (18 marks)

31. Many people believe that the worst crimes are murder and other (**violent- violence**) acts.
32. The price of (**society-property**) in the city has increased dramatically this year.
33. The rules say we must not leave rubbish outside our homes. Look, it's (**red tape-in black and white**).

IX- Correct the verbs in brackets: (18 marks)

34. James was very nervous when he arrived at the airport. He (**never fly**) before.
35. My father helped to run an engineering firm that (**build**) bridges.
36. I am hot. I (**not have**) a cold drink since breakfast.

X- Translation:

37. Translate the following sentence into Arabic: (10 marks)

Any leftover solids are collected and transported to a safe disposal site.

38. Translate the following sentence into English: (8 marks)

- سمعت المحكمة بأن الجريمة كانت قد حصلت على أرض ملعب كرة المضرب.

XI- Composition: (50 marks)

Write a composition of no less than 80 words on the following topic:

Should motorists who drive too fast in residential areas be banned from driving?

End of Questions