

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

In the early 19th century, the most important economic activity in Ireland was agriculture. But the farmers were poor and they used old-fashioned methods. Because they heard that they could earn four times as much abroad, some farmers emigrated. But between 1820 and 1840, the economic situation in Ireland deteriorated and in 1845 the Potato Famine began. Disease destroyed 75% of the year's potatoes – the main food for most of the population. During the next two years, 350,000 people died of starvation and there was a huge increase in emigration. By the end of 1854, a quarter of the population of Ireland had left for other parts of the world.

Tristan da Cunha is a small island in the South Atlantic Ocean. In August 1961, earth tremors started and gradually became more frequent. At the beginning of October, the government decided that the island was no longer safe and the whole population of 268 people was evacuated to a nearby island. A ship picked them up and took them to South Africa. As they passed Tristan da Cunha, they saw the volcano erupt. Later the people were taken to England, where **they** stayed for the next two years. In 1963, the volcanic activity on the island stopped and most of the people voted to go back. However, not everyone returned: 14 people had adapted to life in England and decided to stay there, and five elderly people had died. There were other changes too: ten couples from the island had married, and eight babies had been born.

Answer the following questions: (18 marks)

1. Where did the people of Tristan da Cunha first go to after they left the island?
2. Why did the Potato Famine happen?
3. What does the word **them** in bold in the text above refer to?

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

4. got worse
5. the opposite of (*rare*)

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

6. All the people of Tristan da Cunha returned to the island before the volcanic activity on the island stopped.
7. The Irish farmers were rich and they used modern methods in farming.

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

All the correct materials, food, oxygen **cylinders** and fuels have to be prepared and supplied correctly. All the machinery and seals that keep the air in, the cabin pressure correct and that protect the astronauts from the freezing cold **vacuum** of space have to work perfectly every second of every minute. The machinery is complex, yet it must not break down once; all the supplies are important, yet spares cannot be carried because of limited space. A small miscalculation in the planning and preparation of the space mission will probably mean the death of everyone on board.

Despite this, people can survive very successfully in space for months at a time. They can live in **relative** comfort, and they can carry out important work that could not be done anywhere on Earth. Any space mission involves enormous risks, but with a highly trained, skilled and hard-working team, people can be prepared for and can conduct space missions of great scientific importance. The International Space Station (ISS) contains laboratories where scientific experiments are carried out that cannot be done on Earth because of its atmosphere and heavy gravity.

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

8. Careful planning and organization canthe dangers of space missions.
a. increase b. decrease c. deteriorate
9. The machinery on the ISS.....stop working for some time.
a. cannot b. can c. may

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

10. shapes or containers with circular ends and long straight sides
11. a space that is completely empty of all matter

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

12. Due to limited space,
13. Everyone on board the ISS will die if.....

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

14. The Geneva Convention is a set of international laws.....protect injured soldiers and civilians during war.
15. The first treaty.....written in 1864 but it is often changed due to different types of war.
16.was significantly updated in 1949 after World War Two.

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

climbed – heavy – each - crowd – chain

17. And up to the top of the Tower of Pisa he
18. He carried a ball in hand, but one
19. was ten times as as the other.
20. He let go of them at the same time and heard the become silent when the balls hit the ground together.

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

21. **Lina:**?
Yassir: I am studying law at university.
22. **Lina:**?
Yassir: I have been studying law for three years.
23. **Lina:** Why have chosen to study law?
Yassir:
24. **Lina:**?
Yassir: Yes, I think I will continue my higher studies after graduation.

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

25. We need to protect some animals. They do not become extinct.
join using (so that)
26. Your friend said she would phone you, but she hasn't. (You are sure she has not forgotten.)
(use can't)
27. I don't think I can **tolerate** my journey to work for much longer.
(use a three-part phrasal verb)
28. People don't take the problem seriously.
start with (I wish)

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

29. I was really tired because.....
30. Many animals migrate north in the summer because

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

31. Omar felt very (**guilty-guilt**) even though the accident was not his fault.
32. Oil companies cut down forests (**in order to-so that**) find oil.
33. It's not a rumour. Look, it's here (**out of the blue - in black and white**).

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

34. I (**walk**) through town the other day when suddenly I thought about my friend Tareq.
35. I wasn't surprised that he (**fall**) asleep at the wheel of his car.
36. I (**play**) football all morning.

X- Translation:

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

Science is the most momentous contribution of Arab civilization to the modern world.

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

- تسبب زلزال ضخم بدمار مدينة أغادير في العام 1960.

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