

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

In the days before television, radio and films, people told stories. And with these stories they were able to entertain their **audience**, teach them and give them moral lessons. In the past, people weren't able to travel easily. **Journeys** were long and slow. So each village was isolated and told different **versions** of the same stories. Men used to meet around a fire after dark and tell their stories. Women used to gather together and tell stories while they sewed their dresses. They told stories to their children to educate and entertain them. Fortunately, many of the oral tales were collected and recorded before they were forgotten.

*** Choose the right answer (a, b or c) to complete the following : (30 marks)**

- 1- In the past, travelling was _____.
- a- difficult
b- easy
c- quick
- 2- Women used to tell stories while they were _____.
- a- drinking tea
b- recording oral stories
c- making clothes
- 3- Men used to gather and tell their stories _____.
- a- early in the morning
b- in the evening
c- at the weekends

*** Match the underlined words from the text to the following: (20marks)**

- 4- long trips
5- group of people gathered to see or hear a concert, a play ...etc.

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

One of the best places for tourists to visit in Syria is the Old City. It is in the centre of Damascus. It includes a wonderful old covered market called Souq al-Hamadiyyeh, and the world-famous Omayyad Mosque that dates back to 705 AD. For many centuries, Damascus was the trade centre for the whole region, and today it is a popular tourist destination and the favourite location for foreigners wanting to learn Arabic. It is a beautiful place to visit. The streets are full of people buying and selling. You can ask any of the locals questions - they are very helpful and eager to show off the city.

*** Write true (T) or false (F). (30 marks)**

- 6- The Omayyad Mosque and Souq al- Hamadiyeh are wonderful places for tourists.
- 7- The old City is a lovely historical site.
- 8- The streets of Damascus are quiet and calm.

*** Answer the following questions (20 marks)**

- 9- What was the importance of Damascus in the past?
- 10- Where is the old City located?

C-Read the following sentences and choose the correct answer: (40 marks)

- 11- There isn't (**enough, any**) water left.
The jug is empty.
- 12- (**Too many, Too much**) rain will cause a flood.
- 13- She has won a prize (**just, already**).
- 14- You (**have to, mustn't**) make noise in the library.

D- Choose the correct answer (a,b or c) to complete the dialogue: (40 marks)

- 15- Hussein: _____ 's Canada like?
a- What b- When c- Who
- 16- Tareq: Well, Canada is a very beautiful country – but there _____ any old buildings!
a- isn't b- aren't c- wasn't
- 17- Hussein: I know a great place _____ can visit.
a- we b- our c- us
- 18- Tareq: That sounds like _____ great idea!
a- an b- a c- the

E- Write the missing word in each space (30 marks)

- 19- Without laws _____ rules, many cities would become dangerous.
- 20- Lattakia is _____ best place to explore he sea.
- 21- I read historical books in _____ free time.

F- Complete each item in column(A) with the correct choice in column(B) (40 marks)

(A)	(B)
22- We didn't use to have the equipment	a) to cloudy in an hour.
23- The oldest newspaper was	b) rainfall can be called a desert.
24- The sky can turn from clear	c) that hospitals have today.
25- A place that receives hardly any	d) the house where he was born.
	e) first published in Austria in 1703.

G-Choose the correct tense between brackets (50 marks)

- 26- Sami (**has, had**) an accident while he was driving to work.
- 27- My aunt always (**went, goes**) camping in spring.
- 28- Ali said that he (**was enjoying , is enjoying**) his holiday in London.
- 29- Nadia (**read, is reading**) a good story nowadays.
- 30- The boys (**haven't explored, don't explore**) the theatre yet.

H- Complete the following dialogues(30 marks)

- 31- Nour: _____?
Deema: I've got a broken leg.
- 32- Nour: _____?
Deema: I broke it last week in football.
- 33- Nour: _____?
Deema: Yes, my dad took me to the hospital.

*** Write the answers (20 marks)**

- 34- Sali: How often do you visit your aunts?
Hiba: _____
- 35- Sali: Who goes with you?
Hiba: _____

I- Write a 50 words composition about ONE of the following topics: (50 marks)

Topic one: ☉

Write the story for an adventure film

Topic two :

Write a paragraph about what makes you feel happy