



General Secondary Certificate Examination 2007

English Language

Paper One

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Humanities & Scientific Streams فرعي العلوم الانسانية والعلمي

Time : 2:30 hours

Total Marks (75)

Comprehension

الإجابة على ورقة الأسئلة

(40 points)

Passage one :

(30points)

Read the following passage carefully then answer the questions that follow:

Not long ago, a litre of water at an American supermarket was often more expensive than a litre of petrol at the gas station next door. **But not any more.** Americans-along with everyone else-will never again pay just \$20 per barrel, as **they** used to.

The reason for this is supply and demand: supply can hardly keep up with demand. Global consumption is 85M barrels a day- and rising.

America is leading the world in **this**. With only 4% of the Earth's population, its 280M people now consume 25% of the world's oil. **However**, Americans are not alone. Demand is rising everywhere, and it is increasing particularly fast in the countries that are now industrializing-especially China. (Recently, the number of cars on Chinese roads grew from 2M to 3.5M in one year!)

In the old days, nearly all the oil that Americans used was American, but that started to change in 1970. In that year, production began decreasing, and imports started increasing rapidly. New oilfields in Alaska and the Gulf of Mexico have stopped the decline, but only temporarily.

Scientists are still finding new oil around the world, but the search is getting harder. One day, global oil production will start falling, just as **it** did in America in 1970. At that point, however, the world will not be able to turn to other new sources of supply, as Americans did. There will be no other sources.

When will **that point** come? The experts disagree. Some say that global production will peak in around 2040 and than start decreasing. **Others** are much less optimistic. They expect the peak as early as 2016.

The exact year doesn't really matter. The fact is that demand will soon get steadily greater than supply if we continue as we are. And if this happens, oil prices will explode.

Scientists everywhere are developing energy sources to replace oil though. They are doing this first to reduce oil's polluting emissions and the related global warming. They are also working to avoid that disastrous energy gap.

The oil alternatives include hydrogen (H) fuel cells to power our vehicles and 'renewable' energy sources such as windpower. However, these energy sources cannot yet provide the cheap, reliable energy in huge quantities that oil **does**. The new technologies need more development time.

Questions:

1. Why has the price of oil risen in recent years?

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2. In what way is the world following America?

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3. What are scientists doing that may prevent the energy gap?

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4. Why is China's oil consumption increasing rapidly?

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Vocabulary:

الإجابة عن جميع الأسئلة

(35points)**Question Number One:****(5points)**

Write each word in the box next to its definition below:

Note: (There are more words in the box than needed.)

impression, justice, branch, homesick, architect, reserve

- 1-: a part of a tree that grows out of the big, central section.
- 2-: treatment of people that is fair and right.
- 3-: feeling that one immediately gets about a person or thing.
- 4-: something kept for the future.
- 5-: a person who plans new buildings.

Question Number Two:**(5points)**

Complete the following with suitable connectors from the box below:

Note: (There are more connectors in the box than needed)

although, because of, and so, as, despite, by contrast

- 1- My friends missed their flight..... being late.
- 2- I couldn't do all the work, I asked for my sister's help.
- 3- the rate of US population growth has fallen, the population is still rising.
- 4- The immigrants continue to arrive all the difficulties of a new life.
- 5- All students passed the exams successfully..... the questions were very easy.

Question Number Three:**(5points)**

Circle the correct answer.

- 1- Do you ever any cooking at home?
a. make b. made c. do d. does
- 2- Living in villages is than living in cities.
a. healthier b. healthier c. healthiest d. the healthiest
3. It is advisable to your goals before you start your plan.
a. set b. take c. do d. delete
4. I really athletics when I was about 12.
a. got up b. got out c. got on d. got into
5. The dam has a of 3,830 metres.
a. length b. length c. long d. in length

Question Number Four:**(5points)**

Complete each of the following sentences with a suitable word from the same word family.

1. I can't tell the between these two sorts of wood. (different)
2. Recently, there have been severalhurricanes that hit many countries.(destroy)
3. Tell me about the that you work for. (organize)
4. Iraq used to be one of the main oil-.....countries in the region. (produce)
5. We have a list of rules that we should follow carefully. (safe)

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Question Number Five:

(5points)

Complete each of the following by using a suitable word from the box.

Note: (There are more words in the box than needed.)

toxic, valid, motivate, deputy, vision, emissions

1. The environment is polluted by the factories' of smoke.
2. substances should be kept away from children.
3. Palestinian leaders are men of great
4. Our new teacher certainly knows how to his classes
5. I can't travel because my passport isn't.....

Question Number Six:

(5points)

Complete each of the following sentences using a suitable phrasal verb from the box below:

bring along, bring back, bring down, bring in, brought up

1. Could you my book when you come again tomorrow?
2. The team will play much better if we a new trainer.
3. Azzam was born and as a child in Jenin.
4. We'll need the completed forms and your passport, and please..... two photos.
5. Earthquakes many old buildings all over the world every year.

Question Number Seven:

(5points)

Rewrite the paragraph. Put in capital letters (3), full stops (4), and apostrophes (3).

Just say no dont take on too much because other people want you to think about your self more learn to say no when youre asked to do something that doesnt fit in with your goals

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