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**Part One: Reading Comprehension (40 points)**

**Read the following passage then answer the questions that follow: (20 points)**

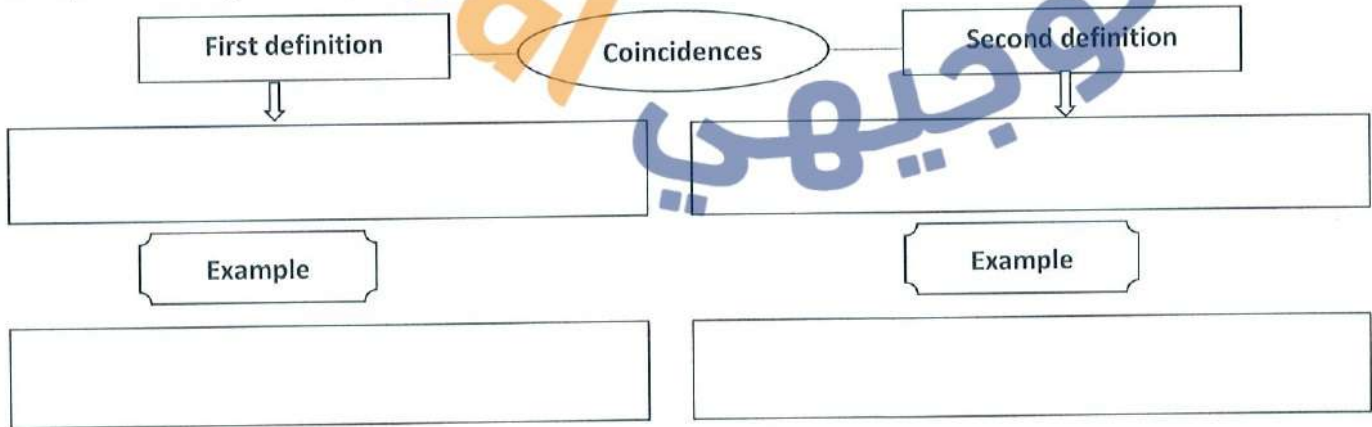
We often hear people say, 'It's a small world, isn't it?' It's usually when they've just experienced one of those strange coincidences that seem to happen in nearly everyone's lives. You know the kind of thing: you're on holiday in another country and you run into a person you know from home, even though neither of you knew that the other was going **there** too.

People often think experiences like this are evidence of something mysterious happening, some kind of hidden plan outside our knowledge. The scientific explanation is less exciting, and perhaps that's why some people are reluctant to accept it. Coincidences are events that unexpectedly happen at the same time for no clear reason or finding an unexpected connection between seemingly random things or people. A very common example of the latter is talking to a complete stranger and finding that you have the same birthday. What are the chances of that happening?

Actually, the chances are better than you might think, and there's a mathematical way to prove **it**. It has been calculated that the number of people you need to have a 50% chance of two of them sharing a birthday is 23. And when there are 48 people in a room, the probability goes up to 95%. To put it another way, if there are only 50 people reading these words (and I hope there are more!), one of them will almost certainly have the same birthday as me.

The other part of the scientific explanation for coincidences is simply that there are so many events in people's lives. Just think of the number of people that you have had any kind of connection with during your life. There are probably over 10,000, and the older you get, **the more** there will be. If you are the kind of person who talks to strangers, you will definitely come across coincidences. Basically, when you think about how complex our lives are, especially nowadays with the Internet, the only surprising thing is that coincidences don't happen more often.

**A-Complete the diagram with missing information from the text: (8 points)**



**B- Decide if the following statements are True or False according to the passage. (3 points)**

1. The young will certainly face a lot of coincidences than the old. ( )
2. The writer concludes that coincidences are not really surprising. ( )
3. 'It's a small world' means: communication is easily happened between people even if we are far away. ( )



(6 points)

C- Complete the sentences with words ideas from the passage.

1. If you are the kind of person who talks to strangers, you \_\_\_\_\_
2. Some people are reluctant to accept the scientific explanation because \_\_\_\_\_

(3 points)

D-Say what the highlighted words refer to:

1. **there** (line 4) \_\_\_\_\_
2. **it** (line 11) \_\_\_\_\_
3. **the more**" (line18) \_\_\_\_\_

Read the following passage, then answer the questions below: (20 points)

In today's world, Facebook, twitter, MySpace, are common websites for people to meet and make acquaintances. It has become part of our daily lives. With the fast-developing world and the increasing use of internet, it has led us to a point where we prefer 'liking' photos, writing 'comments' and wishing our friends over the social networking sites. Using the social networking sites is quite easy. Moreover, **it** keeps us updated about what is going on in other people's life, it reminds us of their important days as well as helps us keep a check on our memories.

But we have forgotten the real essence of a relationship. Nothing like calling a friend to wish on **their** birthday. Meeting people over coffee and dinner sounds fun compared to liking photos and wall posts on a social network. Not all the friends on a social network are regularly contacted or spoken to. Social network is not as important as the existence of real-life relationship.

There is no 'like' button in our life, even though we have 1000 friends on a social network, we are barely in touch with a few. On social network, we do not portray ourselves the way we are. Professional life is connected to personal life, so it is obvious that social networks will affect a relationship on a personal level. Internet addiction can lead to many problems in relationships; **it** also damages the social life. Social networking can cause jealousy and betrayal in a relationship. If one decides to make excessive use of social network, one must make sure equal attention is paid to a real-life relationship.

A-Answer the following questions from the text:

(6 points)

1- How are common websites (Facebook, Twitter ....) good for people?

- a. \_\_\_\_\_
- b. \_\_\_\_\_
- c. \_\_\_\_\_

2- What makes social network not as important as the existence of real-life relationship?

(2 points)

- a. \_\_\_\_\_
- b. \_\_\_\_\_

B-Choose the correct answer:

(6 points)

1-The main idea of the text is:

- a. Social networking is a very important part of our daily life.
- b. In spite of the social networking benefits on our social life, it affects our real-life relationship badly.
- c. Social networking has no advantages on our social life.

2- It can lead to many problems in relationships: It is \_\_\_\_\_

- a. wishing our friends on their birthdays.
- b. Internet addiction.
- c. feeling afraid to talk to strangers.

3- Social networks will affect a relationship on a personal and \_\_\_\_\_

- a. political level.
- b. local level
- c. professional level



(6 points)

C- What do the following words refer to?

- a. it (line 4): \_\_\_\_\_
- b. their (line 7): \_\_\_\_\_
- c. it (line 14): \_\_\_\_\_

**Part Two: Vocabulary (25 points)**

(5 points)

**Question Number One:** Match the words in the box with their meanings below:

**impatient    straight    reserve    attempt    routines**

- 1. \_\_\_\_\_ everyday things we do regularly
- 2. \_\_\_\_\_ not wanting to wait
- 3. \_\_\_\_\_ immediately
- 4. \_\_\_\_\_ second choice
- 5. \_\_\_\_\_ try

(5 points)

**Question Number Two:** Complete the sentences with the words from the box:

**fees    error    impress    fear    set**

- 1. She could answer the first \_\_\_\_\_ of questions in a very short time.
- 2. Many students are complaining about rising university \_\_\_\_\_.
- 3. The students performed the dialogue without making any \_\_\_\_\_.
- 4. Although he prepared well for the exam, he still has a \_\_\_\_\_ of failing.
- 5. You can \_\_\_\_\_ others by your honest behavior.

(5 points)

**Question Number Three:** Complete the sentences with suitable prepositions from the box:

**with    about    in    up    on**

- 1. Despite the difficulties of the new job, he decided not to give \_\_\_\_\_.
- 2. Soldiers are not allowed to leave their places while they are \_\_\_\_\_ duty.
- 3. He isn't satisfied \_\_\_\_\_ his present job so he wants to apply for another.
- 4. There are various things that young people worry \_\_\_\_\_.
- 5. What I told you is \_\_\_\_\_ confidence, so don't tell anyone else.

(5 points)

**Question Number Four:** Circle the correct answer.

- 1. I hope you get home **in time** / **on time** to watch your favourite show.
- 2. Never **pass on** / **hand on** secrets to another person.
- 3. Because of economic problems, there aren't as many job **applications** / **opportunities**.
- 4. A product described as **upmarket** / **marketing** is a more expensive luxury item.
- 5. Don't be **overcook** / **overconfident**. You never know when something might go wrong.

(5 points)

**Question Number Five:** Fill in the gaps with the phrasal verbs from the box:

**put up    keep in touch    carry on    turned out    stand out**

- 1. It \_\_\_\_\_ that social problems were greater than lack of training.
- 2. Even after the teacher had entered the room, the students \_\_\_\_\_ talking.
- 3. Sadly, I didn't \_\_\_\_\_ with my closest friends at the party.
- 4. I was hoping Ahmad could \_\_\_\_\_ me \_\_\_\_\_ for a few days in his home.
- 5. I think the title should be in red to make it \_\_\_\_\_ from the rest of the text.

**Part Three: Language (25 points)**

**Section A: (15 points)**

**A. Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs in brackets:**

(5 points)

1. My friend \_\_\_\_\_ English well. (**not / understand**)
2. Don't make noise! My son \_\_\_\_\_ to sleep. (**try**)
3. Everything is going well. We \_\_\_\_\_ any problems so far. (**not / have**)
4. He couldn't make a sandwich because he \_\_\_\_\_ to buy bread. (**forget**)
5. I \_\_\_\_\_ articles on different topics since morning. (**write**)

**B. Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs in brackets.**

(5 points)

1. Why don't we stop \_\_\_\_\_ in order to have our launch. (**to chat / chatting**)
2. My teacher advised me \_\_\_\_\_ aware of my mistakes. (**to be / being**)
3. She apologised for \_\_\_\_\_ my speech. (**to interrupt / interrupting**)
4. I'd like \_\_\_\_\_ a party because of my retirement. (**having / to have**)
5. She didn't remember \_\_\_\_\_ him an email. (**to send / sending**)

(5 points)

**C. Choose the correct answer:**

1. Sorry, I can't see you tonight, I am (**reading / going to read**) for my exam.
2. I'm not sure yet, but I (**will / will probably**) catch the 9.30 train.
3. We (**might/ might well**) get there on time, but I don't think so.
4. The doctor warned me against (**eating / not to eat**) so much chocolate.
5. My daughter regrets (**not to be / not being**) good at writing of essays.

**Section B: (10 points)**

أجب عن سؤالين فقط من هذا القسم: **From this section answer two questions only:**

**Question Number One:**

**A- Complete the sentences with the -ing form or the past participle form of the verbs in brackets.**

(3 points)

1. I had a \_\_\_\_\_ weekend because of the rain. (**bore**)
2. All this information is making me \_\_\_\_\_. (**confuse**)
3. The news of the boys' death was \_\_\_\_\_. Everyone felt sad. (**shock**)

**B- Rewrite the sentences using reduced relative clauses.**

(2 points)

1. Do you know the man who has the biggest house in the city?

2. The exam that has been answered by the students wasn't difficult.

**Question Number Two:**

**Correct the mistakes: ( There is one mistake in each sentences)**

(5 points)

1. They're arriving early tomorrow, don't they? \_\_\_\_\_
2. Is she liking writing emails? \_\_\_\_\_
3. How long have you been knowing your old friend? \_\_\_\_\_
4. He's unpopular. He won't probably win the election. \_\_\_\_\_
5. As he is standing on the chair, he dropped his mobile phone. \_\_\_\_\_

**Question Number Three:**

(5 points)

**Do as shown or required in brackets.**

1. "It's not a good idea to use an old dictionary." (**My teacher advised me that...**)

2. He wasn't good at English. (**He wishes....**)

3. "Why didn't you go there on foot?" (**Someone asked us....**)



4. I need to (my house) after Ramadan. (paint) (Make a sentence using a causative structure )

5. We are able to breathe in space without special equipment. (Show a 0 % possibility).  
We \_\_\_\_\_

#### Part Four: Writing (10 points)

Write **ONE** of the following writing tasks.

1. Write an **application form** to apply for a foundation course in Information and Technology.  
Do the following :

- Explain the reasons for choosing the course.
- Write about your experience in the field.
- Write about how you expect you interest in the subject to develop.

2. You have received a letter from Mr. James Peter, the production manager at Big Star Company in Paris, asking about the reasons for not receiving the payment for your recent order, which was delivered four weeks ago.

Write **a reply to the letter**. In your reply:

Paragraph One: apologize for the problem

Paragraph Two: give an explanation

Paragraph Three: say what you have done to solve the problem

**Note:** Your name is **Jehad Diab**, The general manager at the Moon Company.



Good Luck  
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**Section 1 : Reading Comprehension****Passage 1:**

**A) First definition:** Are events that unexpectedly happen at the same time for no clear reason.

**Example:** You're on holiday in another country and you run into a person you know from home, even though neither of you knew that the other was going there too.

**Second definition:** Finding an unexpected connection between seemingly random things or people.

**Example:** Talking to a complete stranger and finding that you have the same birthday.

**B) 1- F 2- T 3- T**

**C) 1. you will definitely come across coincidences.**

2. it is less exciting or they prefer a more exciting explanation.

**D) 1. another country**

2. that chances are better than you think.

3. more people that you have any kind of connection with during your life.

**Passage 2:**

**A) 1. a. people can meet and make acquaintances.**

b. It has led us to a point where we prefer 'liking' photos, writing 'comments' and wishing our friends over the social networking sites. c. It keeps us updated about what is going on in other people's life. d. It reminds us of their important days e-It helps us keep a check on our memories. ( any three points are accepted )

2. a. Nothing like calling a friend to wish on their birthday. b. Meeting people over coffee and dinner sounds fun compared to liking photos and wall posts on a social network. c. Not all the friends on a social network are regularly contacted or spoken to. ( any two are accepted )

**B) 1. b 2. b 3. C**

**C) 1. it: using social networking sites.**

2. their : friend's

3. it: Internet addiction

**Section 2: Vocabulary**

**Question No 1:** 1- routines 2- impatient

3- straight 4-reserve 5- try

**Question No 2:** 1- set 2- fees 3- error

4- fear 5- impress

**Question No 3:** 1-up 2- on 3- with 4- about 5- in

**Question No 4 :** 1- in time 2- pass on

3- opportunities 4- upmarket

5-overconfident

**Question No 5:** 1- turned out 2- carry on

3- keep in touch 4- put up 5- stand out

**Section Three: Language:****Section A:**

**A :** 1. doesn't understand 2. is trying 3. haven't had

4. had forgotten 5. have been writing

**B :** 1. chatting 2. to be 3. interrupting

4. to have 5. sending

**C :** 1. reading 2. will probably 3. might

4. eating 5. not being

**Section B:****Question No. One:**

**A) 1. boring 2. confused 3. shocking**

**B) 1. Do you know the man having .....**

2. The exam answered .....

**Question No. Two:**

1. don't they X **aren't they?**

2. Is she liking X **Does she like**

3. been knowing X **known**

4. won't probably X **probably won't**

5. is X **was**

**Question No. Three:**

1. using an old dictionary was not a good idea **or** was a bad idea.

2. he had been good at English.

3. why we hadn't gone there on foot.

4. I need to have / get my house painted before Ramadan.

5. We will not (won't) be able to breath in space without special equipment.

**Section 4: Writing**

8-9 marks : Clear and accurate (no mistakes)

7-8 marks: very good but with some errors

6-7 marks: a number of errors but the overall meaning is still clear

3-5 marks: not really clear / numerous errors affect the meaning

1-2 marks: very poor control of language

Please accept any other correct answer