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Reading Comprehension (25 points)

Question Number One: (15 points)

Read the text and do the tasks below:

Building bridges to the world

After the 1948 disaster, over 700,000 Palestinians lost everything and were forced into a Diaspora that spread round the planet. For many years afterwards, the Palestinian cause received little attention or understanding from the world.

5 That changed dramatically in 1974, when **the late** national leader, President Yassir Arafat, stepped onto the world's political stage to speak to the United Nations. His famous words rang out: 'Today, I have come bearing an olive branch and a freedom fighter's gun. Do not let the olive branch fall from my hand.'

This landmark speech showed the world **two things**: first that the Palestinian cause could not be forgotten, and secondly that there really could be a peaceful way forward. **Arafat's** words also affected 10 Palestinians deeply. They made many realise that it was necessary to build bridges between Palestine and the West. This was the way to create international understanding and, one day, a free and independent Palestine.

The years since the national leader President Arafat's speech to the UN have not been easy, and there have been many setbacks. Yet there are also reasons for optimism. In recent years, as a result of the 15 continuous diplomatic struggle of the present Palestinian leadership, under their representative President Mahmoud Abbas, more and more countries have officially recognised Palestine as an independent state, and in 2012 the United Nations General Assembly voted to upgrade the status of the Palestinians to that of a 'non-member observer state'. There is hope that at last, thanks to the efforts of Palestinians around the world, **the tide has finally turned.**

A- Answer the following questions: (4 Points)

1- Arafat's words reflected important things for both Palestine and the world. What are they?

- 1.....
- 2.....
- 3.....

2- Why is it important to build bridges with the west, according to the text?

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B Complete the following table (3points)

Expression	Symbolises
1948	
Olive branch	
Freedom fighter's gun	

C Circle the correct answer (3 points)

1. The word "late"(Line 5) means:

A: no longer living	B: arriving after the arranged time
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2. The meaning of the expression '**the tide has finally turned**' used in the text (Line 19) is

A: figurative	B: literal
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D- Complete (3 point)

1. Before 1974, the Palestinian cause received
2. Palestine has been recognized as an independent state as a result of

E- Decide whether each of the following is True or False (2points)

- 1-What made the world change their attitude to the Palestinian cause after 1974 was Yassir Arafat's threats to the United Nations ()
- 2-The majority of the original population, about 700.000 Palestinians ,lost everything and were forced into diaspora. ()

Question Number Two(10points)

Read the text then answer the questions below:

A Money is best described as a medium of exchange. The concept of money has been around since the dawn of human civilization. Money allows an individual to trade what he has for what he needs or wants.

B 9000 BC, humans began to grow crops and cattle. This gave birth to "bartering", where livestock and grain were exchanged for other items which were deemed essential or useful at the time. Cattle, which throughout history and across the globe have included not only cows but also sheep ,camels, and other livestock, are the first and oldest form of money. With the advent of agriculture also came the use of grain and other vegetable or plant products as a standard form of barter in many cultures. Those are all called commodity money (goods). The first use of cowries, the shells of a mollusc that was widely available in the shallow waters of the Pacific and Indian Oceans, was in China. Historically, many societies have used cowries as money because they were easier to carry.

C After people made coins in Lydia, people in Rome, Iran, and Greece also began making coins. Coins were very durable— they were strong and could last a long time without becoming damaged. The Chinese issued the first ever leather banknote (Paper money). It was made out of a rare white deer skin and its edges were painted with bright colours. Now it's called representative. Representative money is any medium of exchange, often printed on paper, that represents something of value, but has little or no value of its own as a material.

D Life was not safe and money had no protection from theft. To solve this, money started to move away from reality and a banking system was developed. People can purchase goods or services by transferring money from their account to the seller's account easily by using an instrument named cheque. Also, the age of computer and internet created a favourable atmosphere for creating plastic money. Plastic money has two types – credit card and debit card. ATM started to develop and plastic money could be converted in cash through this machine. In recent development bitcoins and digital currencies have also been spread widely around the world . These forms are managed , stored and exchanged on digital computer systems , especially over the internet.

A. A: Read the text then match the headings (1-4) for each paragraph (a-d): (4points)

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|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1- Before money | 2-What is money? |
| 3 Money towards unreality | 4- The beginning of money |

B. Put the stages of money development in the correct order according to the text: (2points)

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|-----------------|---------------|---------|-----------------|
| plastic money \ | paper money \ | coins \ | commodity money |
| 1- | | | |
| 2- | | | |
| 3- | | | |
| 4- | | | |

C. Complete the following sentences from the text above : (3 points)

- 1- The first paper money was made in
- 2- Coins were very durable because and
- 3- The process in which is called bartering.

D. Decide whether the following sentences are true or false: (1point)

- 1- Cowrie shells were first used as money since they were easy to carry around. ()

Literature: (15 points)

Question Number Three

Choose one of the two stories and answer its questions.

اختر واحدة من القصتين وأجب عن أسئلتها

Romeo & Juliet

Section A: Circle the correct answer:

(5 points)

- Romeo discovered that Juliet is a Capulet from
a. Mercutio b. Benvolio c. the Nurse d. Frail Laurence
- The character that was described as a 'rat-catcher' is
a. Benvolio b. Tybalt c. Romeo d. Mercutio
- Prince Escalus accused the Capulets and the Montagues of breaking Verona's peace for
a. thirty times b. thirteen times c. four times d. three times
- Juliet wanted to do Friar Laurence's plan although it seems very.....
a. respectful b. desperate c. safe d. ensured
- At the end of the play, damns both families because they cause his death.
a. Benvolio b. Mercutio c. Paris d. Tybalt

Section B: From this section, answer two questions only. (A, B, C) أجب عن قسمين من هذا السؤال (10 Points)

A. Decide whether the following statements are True or False:

(5 points)

- The Capulets refused to put up a statue for Romeo next to Juliet's . ()
- People could not read Shakespeare's plays while he was alive. ()
- Juliet asked Romeo to prove his honourable love by death. ()
- In Shakespeare's time, writing and performing plays was just for entertainment purposes. ()
- Romeo misbehaved at the Capulet's party. ()

B. Answer the following questions:

(5 points)

- How did the prince judge Romeo's killing of Tybalt?
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- What prevented Romeo and Juliet to get married in public?
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- How did Romeo manage to pass the high wall of Capulet's house ?
.....
- Why was Juliet ready to do dangerous things such as sitting in a bed of snakes?
.....
- Why did Mercutio join the fight against Tybalt when Romeo refused ?
.....

C- Answer the following questions ?

(5 points)

1- Read this quotation and answer the questions:

(2 points)

" What's this? A bottle in my true love's hand? You have drunk it all, and not left a friendly drop to help me too."

- Who says these words?
- To whom?
- Why was the speaker very sad?

2- Complete the following sentences with information from the play?

(3points)

- Prince Escalus called people who fight in the street asand.....
- "This is a black day, and there will be more black days to come". By saying this Romeo means that it is a black day because of
- Juliet looks like in a group of crows.

