



Grade 12

Mock Exam

TOTAL MARK (560 M)

I. VOCABULARY (100 M)

**A) From a, b, c and d, choose the most suitable word that best completes each of the following sentences: (5 x 10 = 50 M)**

- 1- Rural ..... strains resources, as people move to cities for better prospects.  
a. reverence      b. exhaustion      c. nomination      **d. depopulation**
- 2- In her research, she unexpectedly ..... a rare document that shed new light on the historical event.  
**a. came across**      b. came down      c. came over      d. came round
- 3- The use of torture as a means of interrogation is morally ..... and violates international laws.  
a. onerous      b. tranquil      **c. abhorrent**      d. afflicted
- 4- She spent ..... two hours each day studying for the exam.  
a. randomly      **b. roughly**      c. densely      d. extravagantly
- 5- She finally achieved her dream of owning a ..... villa.  
a. durable      **b. palatial**      c. chronic      d. austere

**B) Fill in the spaces with the most suitable words from the list below: (5 x 10 = 50 M)**

( entail – dual – ungentlemanly – appoint – detriment – exceptionally )

6- It was **ungentlemanly** of him to leave without saying goodbye.

7- Exposure to secondhand smoke poses a **detriment** to non-smokers' health.

8- Starting your own business will **entail** a significant investment of time, money and effort.

9- She was **exceptionally** talented, able to play multiple musical instruments.

10- The committee will **appoint** a spokesperson to represent their views and communicate with the media.

**II-GRAMMAR (60 M)**

**A) From a, b, c and d, choose the correct answer that best completes each of the following sentences: (4 x 10 = 40 M)**

11- You can take ..... the morning flight or the afternoon one.

- a. **either**                      b. and                      c. neither                      d. both

12- We were impressed ..... the quality of the service at the restaurant.

- a. of                      b. to                      c. **with**                      d. in

13- Her smile was as bright ..... the sun, lighting up the room with positivity.

- a. so                      b. but                      c. nor                      d. **as**

14- The engineers ..... on the project come from Germany.

- a. worked                      b. work                      c. works                      d. **working**

**B) From a, b, and c, choose the correct answer as required:**  
**( 4x 5= 20 M)**

15- "Have you packed your suitcase?"

**( Change into reported speech )**

- a. My mother asked me if I have packed my suitcase.
- b. My mother asked me if I had packed my suitcase.**
- c. My mother asked me have you packed your suitcase.

16- They little understood the importance of teamwork.

**( Begin with: Little )**

- a. Little did they understand the importance of teamwork.**
- b. Little they understood the importance of teamwork.
- c. Little do they understand the importance of teamwork.

17- By the time they arrived, I (wait) for over an hour.

**( Correct the verb)**

- a. By the time they arrived, I will wait for over an hour.
- b. By the time they arrived, I am waiting for over an hour.
- c. By the time they arrived, I had been waiting for over an hour.**

18- They will sign the contract tomorrow.

**( Change into passive )**

- a. The contract will be signed tomorrow.**
- b. The contract will been signed tomorrow.
- c. The contract will being signed tomorrow.

### III- LANGUAGE FUNCTIONS (40 M)

**Write what you would say in the following situations: (4 x 10=40 M)**

19. Your friend has invited you to his/her birthday party.

**I am sorry, I can't make it. / Sure, I will try to make it.**

20. You have accidentally stepped on someone's foot in the street.

**I'm so sorry, are you alright?**

21. Your brother has returned home after studying abroad for four years.

**Welcome back, we really missed you.**

22. Your sister thinks space exploration is a waste of money.

**I agree with you. / I don't agree with you.**

### IV- SET- BOOK QUESTIONS ( 40 Marks)

**Answer only ( FOUR ) of the following questions: (4X10=40 M)**

23- What are the best ways of ensuring a long life?

**Doing exercise regularly / Eating healthy food**

24- What makes life in big cities stressful for the people who live there?

**There is too much noise and pollution. / Cities are so crowded.**

25- What were the characteristics of games of the past?

**They were simple and enjoyable. / They were played in groups.**

26- How can you prepare for an expedition?

**Taking the right equipment / Taking first aid kit**

27- Why is wireless technology considered a great benefit for humanity?

**It has helped people communicate over long distances.**

**It has saved many lives.**

## V- WRITING (120 M)

Some people prefer living in big cities, while others prefer the countryside.

Plan and write an **Argumentative** essay of not less than 14 sentences (160 words) discussing **both points of view** and **stating your position**.

### Outline (20 Marks)

#### **Introduction:**

**Hook:** Do you enjoy the hustle and bustle of city life or dream of peace and quiet?

**Background:** Some people prefer living in big cities, while others prefer the countryside.

**Thesis:** In this essay, I will discuss both points of view and state my position.

#### **Body:**

##### Paragraph one

##### **Arguments for living in the city**

- better life and education (حياة أفضل و تعليم أفضل)
- more job opportunities (فرص عمل)
- more public services (خدمات عامة)

##### Paragraph two

##### **Arguments for living in the countryside**

- fresh air and beauty of nature (الهواء النقي و جمال الطبيعة)
- healthy lifestyle (نمط حياة صحي)
- cheap / less stress (رخيص / أقل توتر)

**Conclusion:** To sum up, living in the city or the country is one of the issues that people disagree about. I think living in the city can be more enjoyable than living in the country.


## **Topic (100 Marks)**

Do you enjoy the hustle and bustle of city life or dream of peace and quiet? Some people prefer living in big cities, while others prefer the countryside. In this essay, I will discuss both points of view and state my position.

On the one hand, some people are for living in the city. They say that living in the city is a great opportunity to get better life and better education. Besides, they strongly believe that living in the city can offer them more job opportunities. Furthermore, those who live the city say that big cities have a lot of public services. Last but not least, people who live in the city believe that city life is so interesting and people in the city can never feel bored.

On the other hand, other people prefer living in the countryside. They believe that living in the country is a great opportunity to enjoy the fresh air and beauty of nature. Besides, they strongly believe that living in the country can boost one's physical and mental health. Furthermore, those who live in the country don't have to worry about the cost of living as everything is cheap. Last but not least, living in the country can make people more relaxed and less stressful.

To sum up, living in the city or the country is one of the issues that people disagree about. I think living in the city can be more enjoyable than living in the country.





## VI- READING COMPREHENSION: (110 Marks)

**Read the following passage carefully, then answer the questions below:**

Child prodigies are individuals who demonstrate exceptional skills or abilities at an early age, often surpassing those of adults in their field of expertise. These remarkable children can excel in various domains, including music, mathematics, art, and sports. **Their** extraordinary talents often capture the imagination of the public and raise questions about the nature of giftedness and talent development.

One of the most famous child prodigies in history is Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, who began composing music at the age of five and embarked on a successful career as a prolific composer, pianist, and conductor. His remarkable musical abilities astounded audiences and earned him international acclaim during his lifetime.

In the realm of art, Pablo Picasso demonstrated exceptional artistic talent from childhood and went on to **revolutionize** the art world with his innovative style and groundbreaking works. His early drawings and paintings showcased a mastery of technique and a unique creative vision that set him apart from his peers.

Child prodigies often face unique challenges and pressures as they navigate their exceptional talents. They may struggle to find peers who can relate to their experiences or face unrealistic expectations from parents, teachers, and society. Additionally, the intense focus on their talents may overshadow other aspects of their development, such as social and emotional growth.

**A) From a, b, c and d, choose the correct answer: (5 x10= 50 M)**

28- The best title for the passage could be:

- a. A Famous Artist
- b. Children with Disabilities
- c. The Phenomenon of Child Prodigies**
- d. Groundbreaking Works

29- The underlined verb "**revolutionize**" in paragraph three means:

- a. to completely change something**
- b. to remove or draw a line through something
- c. to make something happen at a later time
- d. to say or write what someone or something is like

30- The underlined word "**Their**" in the 1st paragraph refers to:

- a. adults
- b. various domains
- c. sports
- d. remarkable children**

31- According to the last paragraph, social and emotional growth of child prodigies may be overshadowed by:

- a. the lack of peers who can relate to their experiences
- b. the challenges and pressures they face
- c. the intense focus on their talents**
- d. the unrealistic expectations from parents, teachers and society

32- According to the passage, all the following statements are **TRUE**

**Except:**

- a. Child prodigies often face unique challenges and pressures.
- b. Mozart began composing music at the age of five.
- c. Picasso demonstrated exceptional musical talent from childhood.**
- d. Child prodigies demonstrate exceptional skills at an early age.



**B) With reference to the passage, answer the following questions:**  
**(4x15= 60 M)**

33- Who are child prodigies?

**Child prodigies are individuals who demonstrate exceptional skills or abilities at an early age.**

34- Why was Mozart internationally acclaimed?

**Because of his remarkable musical abilities that astounded audiences**

35- What did Picasso's early drawings and paintings showcase?

**They showcased a mastery of technique and a unique creative vision that set him apart from his peers.**

36- What are some of the challenges child prodigies often face?

**They may struggle to find peers who can relate to their experiences. They face unrealistic expectations from parents, teachers, and society.**

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## VII- SUMMARY MAKING (60 Marks)

**Read the following passage then do as required:**

Computers have become an integral part of modern and new generation society and have a wide range of uses across various fields. Computers are used in education for interactive learning, online courses, research, and accessing educational resources. Computers are essential for managing business operations, maintaining records, accounting, financial analysis, and online transactions. Computers are used for gaming, streaming movies and music, creating digital art, and editing videos and photos. Computers are vital for controlling space missions, analyzing space data, and managing satellite communication.

**In a paragraph of FOUR sentences ONLY, summarise and paraphrase the above passage in answer to the following question:**

**What are the different uses of computers?**

First, computers can be used in the field of education for interactive classes and online courses. Second, business use computers to maintain records and for accounting. Third, they can be used for entertainment such as playing games and streaming movies and music. Finally, computers are used to analyze space data and control space missions.

## VIII- TRANSLATION

**Translate the following into good English: (2x15= 30 M)**

أحمد: كيف كان يقضي الناس وقت الفراغ في الماضي؟

فهد: كانوا يقومون ببعض الحرف اليدوية أو يصلحون أشياءهم المكسورة.

**Ahmed:** How did people use to spend their free time in the past?

**Fahad:** They used to do handcrafts or fix their broken things.