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Reading Comprehension: (25 points)

Question Number One:(15 points)

Read the text and do the tasks below:

Along with President Arafat, other prominent representatives of this Palestinian generation in exile played a vital role in bringing the cause to the world's attention. One of these was the great writer and academic Edward Said, originally from Jerusalem, who fought with all the strength of his great mind for freedom, equality and justice in general, and for the future of Palestine in particular. On **his** death, the poet Mahmoud Darwish, himself an important and well-known international figure, wrote: 'I cannot say goodbye to Edward Said, so present is he among and within us, and so alive around the world.'

Another great Palestinian intellectual was Hisham Sharabi (1927–2005), originally from Jaffa, and later an important professor at Georgetown University near Washington. Like Said and other Palestinians, he worked all his life to improve western understanding of Arab and Palestinian issues. He was editor of the Journal of Palestine Studies, and wrote many books, including his famous Introduction to the Study of Arab Society (**1975**). He also became well known for his television appearances and his journalism, as well as creating the Arab-American Cultural Foundation, which builds American understanding of Arab and Islamic culture, and setting up the Jerusalem Fund, a foundation that provides scholarships for students from Palestine.

Sharabi wrote about his 'bitterness and anger' when, in 1993, he returned to Jaffa, his home town, to make a documentary: 'As I stood there, I could hear people speaking Russian, probably recent immigrants from the old Soviet Union. They were full citizens in my country, and I was there only on a limited Israeli tourist visa.' However, he went on to say that the only way forward was a political compromise founded on justice and international law and UN Security Council resolutions. For him, this compromise had to include the Right of Return.

Sadly, none of these great Palestinians lived to see the end of the Diaspora. They did, however, inspire a new generation to follow in their footsteps. Motivated by love of country and highly educated, they have risen, often from poor beginnings, to importance and success across the arts and sciences. Today, they continue to build bridges of understanding that will one day carry the Palestinian nation home.

A: Answer the following questions: **(7 points)**

1. What did Edward Said fight for with all the strength of his mind? **(2 points)**

   _____

2. Which aim did Sharabi work all his life to achieve? **(1 point)**

   _____

3. How did Sharabi support the Palestinian cause through non-academic work? **(4 points)**

   a- _____

   b- _____

   c- _____

   d- _____

B: Complete the following from the text: **(4 points)**

1. According to Sharabi, a political compromise should be based on 1-_____ 2-_____ 3- _____
2. The Jerusalem Fund was established to _____

C: Decide whether the following sentences are True or False: **(2 points)**

1. Sharabi felt excited when he returned to his home town, Jaffa, in 1993. ( )
2. Said and Sharabi motivated other Palestinians to build bridges of understanding. ( )

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D: What do the following pronouns refer to? **(2 points)**

1- his (line.4) _____.

2- (1975) (line 11) _____.

Question Number Two :(10 points)

Read the text and do the tasks below :

Can Money Buy Happiness?

It is often said that money can solve most problems and make life easier. While this may be true to some extent, research shows that wealth alone does not guarantee happiness. In fact, once a person's basic needs are met, extra income has surprisingly little effect on overall life satisfaction.

Studies in several countries have shown that people with modest incomes often report feeling just as happy as those who are much wealthier. Happiness seems to depend more on relationships, health, and a sense of purpose than on material possessions. In contrast, those who focus primarily on accumulating wealth often experience stress, anxiety, and dissatisfaction, even when their bank accounts are full.

Interestingly, people who use their money to help others or to improve their communities report higher levels of happiness than those who spend primarily on themselves. This suggests that generosity and social connection may be more valuable than luxury cars or expensive homes.

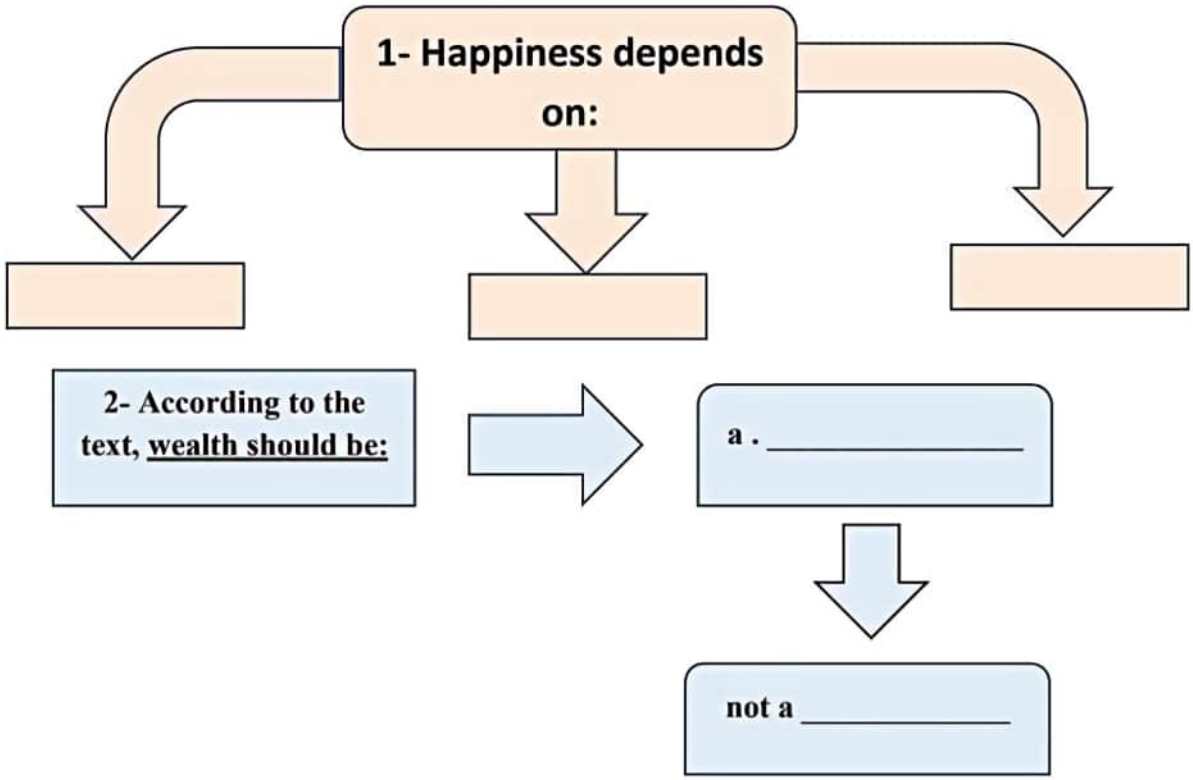
Money can make life comfortable, but comfort is not the same as joy. Learning to appreciate small pleasures, maintain close relationships, and find meaning in life often brings far more happiness than any amount of money. Perhaps the real lesson is that wealth should be a tool, not a goal, and that the pursuit of happiness may require more than just a growing bank balance.

A: Decide whether the following sentences are TRUE or FALSE: **(2 points)**

1- Wealth alone guarantees a happy life. ( )

2- Using money to help others may increase happiness. ( )

B: Complete the following from the text: **(4 points)**



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C: Answer the following questions: **(4 points)**

1- What do people who focus on collecting wealth often experience?

_____ **and** _____

2- How can a person get more happiness than any amount of money?

_____

_____

Literature: (15 points)

Choose One of the two stories and answer its questions
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Romeo and Juliet (15 points)

Question Number Three: (5 points)
Circle the correct answer:

1. At Shakespear's time, plays were only shown in good weather and in daylight because_____

a. people were poor. b women weren't allowed to act.

c. There was very little scenery and no curtains. d. Most of the theatres did not have roofs.

2. Benvolio is _____

a. Romeo's friend. b. Romeo's cousin.

c. Juliete's cousin. d. the prince's relative.

3. The following tried to stop the fight between servants in the street _____

a. Lady Montague and Capulete b. Prince Escalus and Typalt

c. Lady Capulete and the old men d. Romeo and Juliet

4. 'This is a black day, and there will be more black days to come.' Who says these words?

a. Romeo b. Juliette c. Prince Escalus d. Mercutio

5. When she sees Romeo dead, Juliette kills herself _____

a. by drinking the poison Romeo left in the bottle. b. by stabbing herself with a knife.

c. by jumping off the highest wall. d. She didn't kill herself.

Question Number Four : (10 points)

From this section, answer two parts only **يتكون هذا السؤال من ثلاثة فروع (A,B,C) أجب عن فرعين منها فقط**

A: 1. Decide whether the following is True or False: **(3 points)**

1. Lord Capulet prevents a possible fight between Tybalt and Romeo at the party. ( )
2. Like other women, Juliet is good at hiding her feelings. ( )
3. The first fight in the street is started by Tybalt and Mercutio. ( )

2. Complete the following sentences: **(2 points)**

1. Friar Laurence's important roles in the story are:

a. _____

b. _____

2. people couldn't read Shakespeare's plays while he was alive because _____

_____

B: Answer the following questions: **(5 points)**

1. How does Capulete describe Tybalt at the party when he tries to fight with Romeo?

_____

2. Why does Romeo say that his name is hateful to him?

_____

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3. What punishment does Prince Escalus give to Romeo for killing Tybalt?

_____

4. By what means does Tybalt recognize Romeo at the party?

_____

5. What do the two families decide to do at the end of the play

_____

C: Read the following quotation then answer the questions that follow: **(5 points)**

'I am hurt. Damn both your families! I am dying. Has he gone? Did I not hurt ***him*** *at all?'*

1. Who said these words? _____
2. When did he say that? _____
3. Which families is he referring to? _____
4. ' **him**' refers to _____
5. The speaker didn't die after he had been hurt . (**True \ False**)

King Lear (15 points)

Question Number Three: (5 points)

Circle the correct answer:

1.Lear realized that giving away his kingdom has been a terrible mistake because_____

a. he has lost all his power and his daughters felt no love to him **b.** he had lost Cordelia's love
c. he loves money so much **d.** he became tired of ruling the country

2.Edgar hid from his father's men by_____

a. staying in Regan's castle **b**. pretending to be a mad homeless person
c. living among Lear's men **d.** hiding in a cave

3.Edmund cut his arm because_____

a. he wants his father to feel sorry for him **b.** he thinks it will make others believe he is a great fighter
c. he wants his father to believe that Edgar has planned to kill him **d.** he wanted to join the army

4.Regan and Cornwall punished Gloucester by _____

a. killing him **b**. blinding him **c.** cutting off his tongue **d.** exiling him to France

5-The King of France came to England with an army in order to _____

a. stop Albany and Cornwall from fighting **b.** rescue Gloucester from Cornwall
c. rescue Lear from his two daughters **d**. take over Lear's kingdom

Question Number Four: (10 points)

From this section, answer two parts only يتكون هذا السؤال من ثلاثة فروع (A,B,C) أجب عن فرعين منها فقط

A: Complete the following sentences: **(5 points)**

1.Lear wants to give his country to his daughters because_____.
2.In her letter, Goneril complains about_____.
3. The Duke of Cornwall's servant suddenly attacked him because_____
4. Lear expected Cordelia to be angry with him as he._____
5. Cornwall called Gloucester as_____.

B:1. Read the following quotation then answer the questions below: **(2 points)**

"I've got to think quickly. How am I to stop her from getting him now that her husband is dead"

1.Who said these words? _____
2.When? _____

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B: 2.Answer the following questions: **(3 points)**

1. Why did Kent send a letter to Cordelia?

   _____

2. How did Cordelia feel when she met her father?

   _____

3. What happened to the two sisters Goneril and Regan at the end?

   _____

C: Decide whether the following sentences are True or False: **(5 points)**

1. Lear held a real trial for his two daughters. ( )
2. Edmund could not make his mind which sister to marry. ( )
3. The king of France loved Cordelia for her money. ( )
4. Edmund deceives his father and betrays his brother. ( )
5. Earl of Kent disguised himself as a poor man. ( )

Writing (10 points)

Question Number Five:(10 points)

Choose ONE of the following topics اكتب موضوعا واحدا من الموضوعين

1. "From cowries to contactless payments, **the history of money** shows how human societies have developed."
   Write a three-paragraph essay about this topic. These notes may help you:
   a. How trade was carried out before money (bartering and early forms of money).
   b. Advantages of coins and paper money.
   c. New forms of money today, like credit cards and digital currencies, and their role in modern life.

2. **"New Year is possibly one of the worst times of the year to make life-changing decisions if you want to stick to them."**
   Write a three-paragraph essay about this topic. These notes may help you:
   a. Why people make resolutions at New Year.
   b. Reasons why it is hard to keep these resolutions.
   c. Tips for making success a lot more likely.

The End

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Reading Comprehension: (25 points)

A: Answer the following questions: (7 points)

1- He fought for freedom, equality and justice in general, and for the future of Palestine in particular. **(2pts)**

2- improving western understanding of Arab and Palestinian issues. **(1pt)**

3- a. Editing the Journal of Palestine Studies **(4 pts)**
b. His television appearances and his journalism
c. Creating the Arab-American Cultural Foundation.
d. Setting up the Jerusalem Fund

B- Complete the following from the text: (4 pts)

1- **justice , international law and UN Security Council resolutions**
2- provide scholarships for students from Palestine.

C- 1 (F) 2- (T) (2pts)

D- What do the following pronouns refer to? (2 pts)

1- **Edward Said** 2- the year when Hisham Sharabi wrote the book Introduction to the Study of Arab Society

Question Number Two: (10 points)

A: Decide whether the following sentences are TRUE or FALSE: (2 points)

1- (F). 2- (T)

B: Complete the following from the text: (4 points)

1- | Relationships | Health | A sense of purpose |

2. | A tool | Not a goal |

C: Answer the following questions: (4 points)

1- They experience **stress , anxiety and dissatisfaction**
2- Learning to appreciate small pleasures, maintain close relationships, and find meaning in life.

Literature: (15 points)

Romeo and Juliet (15 points)

Q3: (Choose) (5pts)

1- d 2- b- 3- c 4- a 5- b

Q4.A: 1. Decide whether the following is True or False: (3pts

1. T 2. F 3. F

2. Complete the following sentences: (2pts)

1. a. He marries Romeo and Juliet secretly.
b. He prepared a plan to help Juliet stop her marriage from Paris
2. because The actors performed them a few times, and then they threw them away. No one really thought of keeping plays for people to read

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B: Answer the following questions: **(5pts)**

1. **a- Rude young man b- childish boy**
2. **Because his name is an enemy to Juliet.**
3. **He exiles him from Verona.**
4. **He hears his voice.**
5. To **Stop their fight and put up \ build statues for Romeo and Juliet.**

C- 1. **Mercutio** 2. **When he was injured by Tybalt under Romeo's arm** **(5 pts)**
3. **The Montagues and the Capulets** 4. **Tybalt** 5. **F**

King Lear (15 points)

Q3: (Choose) **(5pts)**

1- a 2-b 3-c 4-b 5-c

Q4.A: (complete) **(5pts)**

1- He is old and tired
2- her father and his men
3-He couldn't bear the Duke's cruelty to Gloucester.
4- had treated her badly
5- a traitor

Q4.B.1: (The quotation) **(2pts)**

1-Goneril
2-After she knew of Cornwall's death.

Q4.B.2 : **(3pts)**

1-To explain what had happened to Lear.
2- She felt very sad for his madness.
3- Both were dead: Goneril killed herself with a knife in the heart. Regan was poisoned by her sister.

Q4.C: (True/False) **(5pts)**

1- F 2-T 3-F 4- T 5-T

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