

**General Secondary Education Certificate Examination
First Stage**

A) Language Function

1) Respond to each of the following situations:

- 1- Your friend thinks that the television has many disadvantages. You agree.
- 2- Someone asks if you had a good stay in Luxor. You enjoyed the time there.
- 3- A friend asks you if you think people will read newspapers in a hundred years time. You think they won't.
- 4- You see a boy throwing litter in the street.

1- Mention the place, the speakers and the language functions in each of the following mini-dialogues

- 2- A- I'd like to deposit 20,000 pounds into my account, please.

Place: -----

B-Ok. First fill in this form.

Speaker A: -----

Speaker B: -----

Function

- 3- A- Excuse me. What are you doing here?

Place :-----

B- I came to this square to demonstrate.

Speaker A: -----

A- For What?

Speaker B: -----

B- For more freedom.

Function: -----

B) Vocabulary & Structure

4- Choose the correct answer from a, b, c or d:

- 1- The car stopped because there was a ----- in the petrol tank.

a) tap b- launch c-fuel d- leak

- 2- -----is a ceremony in which someone officially becomes a queen or a king.

a) Corporation b) Coronation c) coordination d) cooperation

- 3- Pupils don't have to pay for their books. The school ----- them

a) pays b) takes c) provides d) affords

- 4- That tower is one of the town's most famous -----.

a) marks 2) landmarks 3) products 4) events

5- My father is very ----- . He loves meeting and talking to new people.

- a) ambitious b) well organized c) sociable d) optimistic

optimistic

6- We are having a/an ----- at school next month about ways of reducing global warming.

- a) debate b) escapism c) publication d) production

7- Twenty kilometers ----- a long way to run.

- a) has 2) have c) are 4) is

8- My brother and I are not twins, but we are very -----.

- a) same b- alike c) like d) correct

9- I sent an e- mail with three ----- .They were photos of my wedding.

- A) attachments b) collections 3) missions 4)

organizations

10- The hard outside part of a tree is called the -----.

- a) root b) bark c) ring d) leave

11- Nearly two million ----- travel to and from Cairo every day.

- a) commuters b) pilots c) rescuers d) travellers

12- Electrical storms are a common ----- in our part of the country.

- a) occurrence b) occur c) current d) occurred

13- I get headache if I ----- for a long time.

- a) had read b) read c) will read d) would read

14- I expect I -----you at the week end.

- a) am seeing b) will see c) am going to see d) see

15- Wave power and winds are types of ----- energy.

- a) waste b) new c) renewable d) non- renewable

16- Magdy objected ----- his friends' accusations.

- a) with b) at c) to d) of

5- Find the mistake in each of the following situations, and then write it correctly:

1-I wish I can read more quickly.

2-We have to show our credit cards before entering the university.

3-I will never forget the day where I first saw my husband.

4-Mr Ezz is thought being an honest man.

5- They are working for five hours before the light went off.

C-Reading

5- Read the following passage, and then answer the questions:

One day, while my friend and I were travelling through Italy, we were very hungry. We decided to stop at a village market to buy some groceries. I chose some cookies and went to the front counter to pay. Near the counter I saw some packaged cookies in a large bin. They looked good and were a lot cheaper than the ones I had in my hand, so I took them instead.

We left the store and looked for a place where we could eat. We found a quiet place under a tree and we ate our sandwiches first, and then the cookies. We thought they were great.

"Let's get these again," I said. "They're cheap and they really taste good." My friend can read some Italian, but I can't, so I gave him the package so he could look for the brand name. He looked at it and then started to laugh. "Why are you laughing?" I asked. "Because they're dogs biscuits." He said.

A- Give short answers to the following questions.

- 1- Why did they stop at a village market?
- 2- What did the narrator have to do before eating the biscuits?
- 3- Give a suitable title to the passage?

B- Choose the correct answer from a,b,c or d:

- 4- The closest meaning of the underlined word "package" is -----.
a) bag b) container c) packet d) pot
- 5- According to the passage, ----- are places near the counter at the shop.
a) cookies b) sandwiches c) groceries d) dog biscuits

6- Read the following passage, and then answer the questions:

The idea of Mother's day is a very old idea. The idea dates back to the ancient Egyptians' who celebrated a day to honour Isis, the mother of the pharaohs. The Egyptians were not the only ones who felt the need to honour their mothers. The ancient Greeks celebrated a day to honour Rhea, the mother of gods. The Romans built a temple to the mother of the gods, named Magna Mater. They also held a celebration every March in her honour. The Christians celebrated a day to honour Mary, The mother of Jesus. Later, English Christians expanded the celebration to honour all mother. The English holiday was called "Mothering Sunday" When the English colonialists came to America, they didn't have time for "Mothering Sunday" so the holiday was not celebrated there. The grieving mothers after the US Civil War from both sides had meetings. They established a "Mothers, Friendship Day" for mother who had lost sons in the war.

A: Give a short answer to the following questions:

- 1- How did the Romans honour Magna Mater?
- 2- When did the "Mothering Sunday" holiday stop?
- 3- Give words from the passage that give the meaning of :
a) treat with special respect b) feeling extremely sad

B- Choose the correct answer from a,b,c or d:

- 4- The underlined word "*they*" refer to -----
a) the Greeks b) the Romans
c) the ancient Egyptians d) the early Christians
- 5- There are-----goddesses mentioned in the passage.
a) four b) three
c) five d) six

The Reader (The Mask of Gold)

7- A) Answer the following questions:

- 1- What was amazing about the Incas?
- 2- Leila was brave and adventurous, give two examples?

B) Read the following quotation then answer the questions:

"I want to show you something. Let's walk along the road a little"

1- Who said this? To whom?

2- What did the speaker want to show?

C) Complete the following to make meaningful sentences:

1- Amalia wanted to catch Lander because -----

2- Pablo Alvarez was shown everything found because -----

D) Writing

8) Write a paragraph of about 100 words about:

A Football Match you saw and enjoyed it very much.

9)A) Translate into English:

The Supreme Council of the Armed Forces is paying towards anew civil democratic regime by making radical amendments to the constitution. At the same time, the Egyptian

People, at different levels, have started to draw up the image of their new state that they hope would soon be classified among the countries of the First World.

B) Translate into English:

١- الأرتفاع المستمر للأسعار وزيادة معدلات البطالة أدت إلى قيام ثورة الخامس والعشرين من يناير.

٢- تحت الأديان علي السلام والرحمة والتعايش السلمي.

Model Answer

Language Function

Respond to each other of the following situation:

1- Yes I think so.

2-It was a wonderful Journey.

3- I think newspapers will be out of date.

4- you shouldn't do this.

2) Mention the place, the speakers and the languages function in each of the following mini-dialogues

1- Place: bank

Speaker (A) customer

Speaker (B) a bank clerk

Function: request and responding to request

2- Place: Tahrir Square

Speaker (A) a Youngman

Speaker (B) a demonstrator

Function: Asking for and giving information

B) Vocabulary & Structure

1	leak	9	attachments
2	coronation	10	Bark

3	affords	11	Commuters
4	landmarks	12	Occurrence
5	sociable	13	Read
6	debate	14	Will
7	is	15	Renewable
8	alike	16	to

5- Find the mistake in each of the following situations, and then write it correctly:

- 1- 1- can----- could
- 2- 2- card -----identity
- 3- where-----when
- 4- being-----to be
- 5- are working-----were working (have been working)

5- Read the following passage, and then answer the questions:

- 1- to buy some groceries
- 2- He had to eat sandwiches.
- 3- any suitable answer
- 4- packet
- 5- cookies

6- Read the following passage, and then answer the questions:

- 1-The Romans built a temple to the mother of the gods.
- 2- When the English colonialists came to America, they didn't have time for "*Mothering Sunday*"
- 3- A) -----honour B) -----grieving
- 4-The Romans
- 5-three

The Reader (The Mask of Gold)

7- A) Answer the following questions:

- 1- They didn't have any writing, yet they controlled a huge empire. They were really tough.
- 2- She faced Martin Landers in the tomb and told him that he was a thief.
- She drove Lander's truck and hit the plane to prevent

B) Read the following quotation then answer the questions:

- 1- Leila said this to Dr Hafez.
- 2- She wanted to show him pattern of rocks that was like the pattern of the Chimu King's tomb.

C) Complete the following to make meaningful sentences:

- 1- He deceived her father and caused him to lose all his money.
- 2- He worked for the Peruvian Ministry of culture.

D) Writing

8) Write a paragraph of about 100 words about:

9) A) Translate into English: