



English Language – Preparatory Stage Year Two

Question Bank – Second Term

Units 10 & 11

Storytelling / Life in the Desert

PART B: Complete the Sentences with the Correct Word

Choose the best word from the choices given to complete each sentence:

1. Great writers shape their words with _____ and love. (patience / anger / silence / noise)

2. Egypt is carrying great projects for the coming _____. (generations / decades / centuries / months)

3. Our historic records can be called our _____ memory. (living / dead / modern / short)

4. At the party, the magic _____, and she went away. (fades / grows / stays / shines)

5. Cinderella's _____ and courage were finally rewarded with love and happiness. (kindness / anger / laziness / fear)

6. American tribes like the Hopi built communities in desert _____. (hills / regions / dunes / rivers)

7. The bedouin people are famous for their _____ lifestyle. (nomadic / city / modern / industrial)

8. The bedouin people use camels to travel across large areas of sand _____. (dunes / stones / valleys / rivers)





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9. The elephant is _____ because of its big ears. (unique / common / ordinary / usual)

10. Camels store fat in their _____ for long journeys. (humps / legs / backs / stomachs)

PART C: Rewrite the Sentences Using the Words in Brackets

Rewrite the following sentences so that the new sentence has the same meaning:

1. He worked all day. Then he went to bed early. (because)

2. She did her homework. Then she went out. (After)

3. After we had had dinner, we watched a movie. (before)

4. While I was hiking in the desert, I got lost. (when)

5. Yesterday, I studied English and Math. (At 3 p.m.)

6. During my stay in Paris, I learned French. (while)

7. While Ali was chatting with Yahia, the light went out. (when)

8. I had finished the game. Then I took a shower. (after)





PART D: Grammar

Complete the following sentences with the correct form of the verb in brackets:

1. While she _____ (watch) the movie, the light went out.

2. Last Friday, I _____ (visit) the Grand Museum with my friends.

3. I was reading a book when my brother _____ (run) into the room.

4. When he _____ (come) back, his mother was busy cooking.

PART E: Reading Comprehension

A. Read the following text carefully, then answer the questions below:

Ahmed and Ramzi were preparing a story to share with their class. Their teacher asked each student to bring a story that teaches a lesson. Ahmed wanted a story about honesty, while Ramzi preferred a story about helping others. They met after school to read their stories aloud and help each other improve. As they practised, they listened carefully, gave opinions politely, and suggested small changes. Ahmed added a clearer ending, and Ramzi improved his introduction with a few descriptive sentences. Both boys felt more confident after working together.





Answer the following questions in complete sentences:

1. Why did the boys practise together?

2. What kind of story did Ahmed want?

3. How did they feel after working together?

4. What improvement did Ramzi make to his story?

B. Read the following text carefully, then answer the questions below:

In a quiet village, a boy named Sami planted a small tree near his house. Every day, he watered it and made sure it got enough sunlight. The tree didn't grow fast, but Sami didn't stop caring for it. One day, heavy rain came, and the wind broke some of the branches. Sami felt sad, but he cleaned the area and tied the tree to a wooden stick to help it stand. Months passed, and the tree grew stronger again. Soon, it had green leaves and even small flowers. Sami smiled every time he walked past it. He learned that success needs time, care, and strength to fix problems.





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1. What did Sami plant near his house?

2. What happened to the tree during the heavy rain?

3. How did Sami help the tree after the storm?

4. What did Sami learn at the end of the story?

5. What is the main message of this passage?

6. Why do you think Sami smiled every time he walked past the tree?

PART F: Writing

Write a paragraph of about 100 words on ONE of the following topics:

Topic 1: Desert life versus city life

Topic 2: The importance of courage in our lives

Topic 3: A fairy tale you read recently

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◆ MODEL ANSWER KEY ◆

Part B – Complete the Sentences (Answer Key)

1. patience	2. generations
3. living	4. fades
5. kindness	6. regions (hills)
7. nomadic	8. dunes
9. unique	10. humps

Part C – Rewrite Sentences (Model Answers)

1. He went to bed early because he worked all day.

2. After doing her homework, she went out.

3. Before watching a movie, we had had dinner.

4. When I was hiking in the desert, I got lost.

5. At 3 p.m. yesterday, I studied English and Math.

6. While I was staying in Paris, I learned French.

7. When Ali was chatting with Yahia, the light went out.

8. After finishing the game, I took a shower.

Part D – Grammar

Q1: ► was watching.

Q2: ► visited



Q3: ► ran

Q1: ► came

Part E –A. Reading Comprehension Model Answers

Q1: Why did the boys practise together?

► They practised together to improve their stories and help each other.

Q2: What kind of story did Ahmed want?

► Ahmed wanted a story about honesty.

Q3: How did they feel after working together?

► They felt more confident after working together.

Q4: What improvement did Ramzi make to his story?

► Ramzi improved his introduction with a few descriptive sentences.

Part E –B. Reading Comprehension Model Answers

Q1: . What did Sami plant near his house?

► **Sami planted a small tree near his house.**

Q2: What happened to the tree during the heavy rain?

► **The wind broke some of the tree's branches.**

Q3: How did Sami help the tree after the storm?

► **He cleaned the area and tied the tree to a wooden stick to help it stand.**

Q4: What did Sami learn at the end of the story?

► **He learned that success needs time, care, and strength to fix problems**





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Q5: What is the main message of this passage?

► **Success grows with care and patience.**

Q6: Why do you think Sami smiled every time he walked past the tree?

► **Because he was proud and happy to see the tree grow strong again after he cared for it**

Part F –Writing

Model Answer (Topic 1 - Desert life versus city life):

Desert life and city life are very different. In the desert, there is no pollution, noise, or traffic. The air is clean, and you are surrounded by beautiful nature. You can see amazing stars at night. However, life is harsh with extreme heat and little water. In the city, there are better hospitals, schools, and job opportunities. Cities have many entertainment options, but they are crowded and polluted. Both environments have advantages and disadvantages. Some people prefer the peace of the desert, while others enjoy the excitement of the city.

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