

Practice Exam 1

Grammar

1. C. utterly
2. B. are
3. A. healthier
4. D. create
5. A. she could have never done the project without my help.
6. C. an
7. C. which
8. B. consumes
9. A. most
10. B. The library was closed by the time we reached it.
11. C. The
12. D. the -----the
13. D. had depended
14. B. Although
15. C. has
16. A. with
17. C. was cleaning
18. D. try
19. D. While
20. B. actively
21. D. had wanted
22. C. You're
23. A. their
24. D. will be organised
25. C. has been working
26. C. are enjoying
27. B. unaffected
28. C. Whom
29. A. is buying
30. C. honest
31. D. on
32. A. Will your mom let you have a sleepover?
33. C. Wash
34. D. ✖ (sentence works with no answer)
35. A. is going to
36. B. Are
37. C. Have you been to Italy?
38. C. When does he visit his grandparents?
39. A. hit the nail on the head.
40. C. will have

Vocabulary

Questions 1-10

- | | | |
|-------------|--------------------|----------------|
| 1. Capture | 5. Competitive | 9. Combination |
| 2. Official | 6. Soil | 10. Widely |
| 3. Located | 7. Extraordinarily | |
| 4. Ideal | 8. Attracts | |

Questions 11-20

- | | | |
|-------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 11. C. Secret | 15. D. Expected | 19. A. deserves |
| 12. B. Enables | 16. C. Capacity | 20. B. disturb |
| 13. B. Artificial | 17. A. Clever | |
| 14. A. Assistance | 18. C. complex | |

Questions 21-30

- | | | |
|-------------|-----------------|---------------|
| 21. Ensure | 25. Rare | 29. Devoted |
| 22. Provide | 26. Threatened | 30. Protected |
| 23. Harm | 27. Decreased | |
| 24. Diet | 28. Regulations | |

Reading

Part 1

Questions 1-10

- | | | |
|-----------|-----------|----------|
| 1. big | 5. around | 9. a |
| 2. bigger | 6. the | 10. need |
| 3. in | 7. really | |
| 4. there | 8. other | |

Questions 11-20

- | | | |
|---------------|----------------|--------------|
| 11. value | 15. produce | 19. If |
| 12. producers | 16. production | 20. produced |
| 13. producer | 17. Although | |
| 14. produces | 18. most | |

Part 2

TEXT A (Volcanoes)

- | | | |
|-------|-------|-------|
| 21. B | 24. C | 27. B |
| 22. B | 25. D | 28. A |
| 23. D | 26. A | |

TEXT B (Kew Gardens)

- | | | |
|-------|-------|-------|
| 29. A | 32. B | 35. B |
| 30. C | 33. B | 36. D |
| 31. C | 34. A | 37. D |

TEXT C (Skyscrapers)

- | | | |
|-------|-------|-------|
| 38. B | 41. A | 44. C |
| 39. C | 42. D | 45. A |
| 40. C | 43. A | |

Writing

Write 200-250 words on the following topic:

School students should have no access to the Internet. Discuss both sides of the argument and give your opinion.

(Suggested answer)

Internet access is the ability to go online, whether using a computer or a smartphone. Some people think that school students should have no Internet access, but most disagree with the idea. This essay will look at the case for and against and try to arrive at a conclusion.

There are two main reasons why people think school students should not be able to access the Internet. The first is that the Internet can be a major distraction from studies. In other words, it takes away students' attention from their lessons. For example, they know that an interesting video, photograph or article is just a click away, tempting them to check their social media accounts whether doing homework or in class learning. Second, the Internet makes it very easy to cheat. To clarify, school students can go online for help with schoolwork and get credit for something they have not done. For instance, there are several websites that write students' school essays for a small fee.

On the other hand, many individuals believe school students should have Internet access for the following reasons. First of all, the Internet makes it easy to do research. What this means is the Internet has a lot of information that students can use for school assignments. As an example, they don't have to go through hundreds of books to find out about the extinction of dinosaurs. They can simply type the key words and get specific information with one click. Secondly, learning to use the Internet properly is part of a school student's education. Clearly, many jobs in the future will involve using the Internet and may even be exclusively online. If school students are not taught how to use it well, they will have a huge disadvantage when they leave school.

All in all, while some school students might use their Internet access unwisely, I definitely believe this should not mean every school student loses all Internet access. Banning smartphones in the classroom and limiting the time school students spend online should be enough.

Practice Exam 2

Grammar

- | | | |
|---|---|--|
| 1. B. is | 14. C. I rarely speak to my neighbours. | 26. B. Unless |
| 2. B. ourselves | 15. D. ~~s~~ (sentence works with no answer) | 27. B. since |
| 3. B. cry over spilt milk | 16. C. has | 28. A. or |
| 4. A. participate | 17. D. any | 29. A. My sister baked a chocolate cake for my birthday. |
| 5. A. miserable | 18. B. will be attended | 30. B. its |
| 6. A. in summary | 19. C. call | 31. B. for |
| 7. B. much | 20. A. more modest | 32. A. the |
| 8. B. Dina always enjoys a cup of coffee early in the morning | 21. B. a lot | 33. B. at |
| 9. D. ought | 22. B. that | 34. A. yet |
| 10. C. Were | 23. D. ~~s~~ (sentence works with no answer) | 35. A. out |
| 11. B. losing | 24. D. me | 36. B. equally |
| 12. C. on | 25. B. have known | 37. A. We'll hear the answer soon |
| 13. A. whose | | 38. B. has |
| 40. | | 39. A. is |
- A. My mum prepared a huge feast for our guests
 B. Did you see Mira yesterday?
 C. The leader delivered an excellent speech to the nation.
 D. By the time I got there, the theatre door was closed.
 E. That student rarely forgets to do his homework.
 F. I could never have passed this course without your help.

Vocabulary

Questions 1-10

- | | | |
|---------------|----------------|-----------------|
| 1. Products | 5. Traditional | 9. Distribute |
| 2. Treat | 6. Fighting | 10. Individuals |
| 3. originally | 7. Standard | |
| 4. Root | 8. Demand | |

Questions 11-20

- | | | |
|-------------------|----------------|------------------|
| 11. A. ignore | 15. A. package | 19. C. abandoned |
| 12. C. impressive | 16. D. massive | 20. B. separate |
| 13. A. layers | 17. A. claimed | |
| 14. B. objective | 18. D. calm | |

Questions 21-30

- | | | |
|-------------------|-----------------|--------------|
| 21. Significantly | 25. Currently | 29. Extreme |
| 22. Range | 26. Vary | 30. Purchase |
| 23. Local | 27. Comfortably | |
| 24. Satisfy | 28. Surface | |

Questions 31-40

- | | | |
|--------------------|-----------------|----------------------|
| 31. A. retired | 35. B. contrast | 39. C. growth |
| 32. B. Ingredients | 36. A. denied | 40. A. embarrassment |
| 33. A. generous | 37. B. incomes | |
| 34. D. confident | 38. B. insulted | |

Reading

Questions 1-10

- | | | |
|------------|---------------|-------------|
| 1. over | 5. them | 9. to |
| 2. between | 6. height | 10. amazing |
| 3. up | 7. a | |
| 4. these | 8. interested | |

Questions 11-20

- | | | |
|----------------|-------------|------------|
| 11. experience | 15. happy | 19. on |
| 12. importance | 16. better | 20. unless |
| 13. happiness | 17. compare | |
| 14. about | 18. against | |

Part 2

TEXT A (Advertising)

- | | | |
|-------|-------|-------|
| 21. B | 24. C | 27. B |
| 22. A | 25. D | 28. B |
| 23. B | 26. A | 29. D |

TEXT B (Students abroad)

- | | | |
|-------|-------|-------|
| 30. A | 33. B | 36. C |
| 31. D | 34. C | 37. D |
| 32. B | 35. B | |

TEXT C (Cartoons)

- | | | |
|-------|-------|-------|
| 38. A | 41. C | 44. C |
| 39. D | 42. B | 45. A |
| 40. B | 43. B | |

Writing

Write 200-250 words on the following topic:

Governments should stop companies from selling junk food in order to promote healthy eating. Do you agree or disagree? Give reasons to support your opinion.

(Suggested answer)

Junk food is the general name given to foods that are highly processed and unhealthy. Children and teenagers these days prefer eating junk food more than anything else. Most people are of the opinion that the government must ban sale of fast food, and I completely agree with them for three main reasons.

First of all, junk food has a negative effect on our health. To clarify, people who eat junk food regularly suffer from various health problems. Specifically, the high levels of fat, salt and sugar in these foods is responsible for the sharp increase in obesity and diabetes among teens. In addition, digesting junk food uses up a lot of oxygen, which affects the functioning of the brain.

Second, junk food is expensive. In other words, it can cost a lot if people eat it regularly. For example, a single burger meal can cost between 20-25 dirhams. That's nearly 750 dirhams a month for one meal per person. It's possible to cook two healthy meals per day at home for the same amount of money.

Finally, junk food is making people lazy. That is to say, people don't make the effort to prepare healthy meals. For instance, there's no need to buy ingredients, to prepare and cook them and to clean up afterwards. The food can be ordered and eaten while sitting in front of the TV.

To sum up, eating unhealthy food is neither good for the body nor the mind as can be seen from the reasons given above. In fact, junk food has done more damage to people's health than smoking.