

<b>English Language</b> <b>Time: 60 minutes</b> <b>Total Marks (20)</b> <b>Date:     /     /2021</b>	 <b>امتحان الرزمة الأولى للثانوية العامة</b> <b>(Oct &amp; Nov exam – Paper one)</b>	<b>مدرسة جولى الثانوية للبنين</b> <b>الصف: .....</b> <b>اسم الطالب: .....</b>
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### Reading Comprehension (7 points)

#### Read the following passage carefully then answer the questions:

The results of a new poll show that financial problems have taken over from the environment as the main concerns for young people. The survey asked over 12,000 people aged between 14 and 18 what **they** were most worried about. The clear 'winner' was 'finding a job', while the environment was only the seventh greatest worry. This compares with similar polls in the last fifteen years, when environmental worries came **first**. One of the poll's organisers commented that the result demonstrated a clear change in attitude. 'It's not just that getting a job is the main worry, **he** said. 'also included in the top six worries were getting into debt (6<sup>th</sup>) and passing exams (4<sup>th</sup>=). I'm convinced that there's a connection. Because of changes in the job market, there is more and more pressure on young people nowadays to pass exams and go on to university in the hope of finding a good job. Rising university fees make it inevitable that many students graduate from university with huge debts. Other concerns mentioned by large numbers of young people also tended to be personal rather than social, including worries about relationships (2<sup>nd</sup>), health (3<sup>rd</sup>) and 'fitting in with peers' (4<sup>th</sup>=).

Annette Coleman, director of the Green Earth organisation, said yesterday that she was disappointed but not surprised at the fall in the number of young people concerned about the environment. 'It's not that environmental concerns are less urgent than before – quite the opposite in fact. It's just that after decades of publicity on topics like climate change, so little has actually changed. A lot of people get the feeling that there's nothing we can do about **it**, and young people in particular tend to be impatient. Of course, the other thing is that in times of economic difficulty people are more likely to focus on worries that are more immediate and have an impact on their daily lives.'

#### 1- Answer the following questions:

1. What did young people worry most about? (1.5 points)

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2. Why is there stress on young people today?

.....

3. What were young people worried least about?

.....

#### 2- Complete the following :(1.5 points)

1. Nowadays, financial problems are the ..... for young people. 2.

The text mentions some personal concerns like ..... and .....

3. The first top worry for young people is ..... while the environment is .....

#### What do these pronouns and expressions refer to: (2 points)

1. **(they)** line 3 ..... 2. **(first)** line 5 .....

3. **(he)** line 7 ..... 4. **(it)** line 19 .....

#### 4- Decide whether each of the following is True or False : (2 points)

1- These days, young people are most worried about the environment. ( )

2- Coleman was surprised at the fall in the number of people interested in environment. ( )

3- The results of the survey reflect a clear change in young people's attitudes. ( )

4- The poll asked people from different age groups about their worries. ( )

## Vocabulary (5 points)

1- Match the words in the box with their meanings below:

(2 points)

optional , don't give up , complete group , factor

1. .... part of reason.
2. .... set
3. .... not compulsory
4. .... persevere

2- Complete the sentences with the words in the box:

(2 points)

participate , nowadays , on show , impatient

1. Children challenge their parents' authority far more ..... than they did in the past.
2. Hani ..... in a lot of sports activities at school.
3. He's very ..... and always interrupts me mid-sentence.
4. Her sepulchre will be ..... at the museum until the end of the month.

3- Circle the correct answer:

(1 points)

1. Additional copies will be made available on ..... (request / order)
2. We want to start the meeting ..... , so please don 't be late. (on order/on time)

## Language (8 points)

1- Complete the sentences with the correct tense of the verbs in brackets: (2 points)

1. How nice to sit down. I ..... for three hours non-stop. (walk)
2. Please don't make so much noise. I ..... to work. (try)
3. I ..... about the problem for a long time.(know)
4. My mother ..... tea very often. (not / drink)

2- Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verb between brackets: (1 point) to-infinitive or -ing form:

1. Would you mind ..... that again, please? (explain)
2. When you see Sami remember, ..... him my regards. (give)

3- Circle the correct answer:

(3 points)

1. What .....you .....of the new comedy film? B: It's fantastic. (do-think / are-thinking)
2. That man ..... familiar to me. I'm sure I've seen her before. (looks / is looking)
3. .... you enjoying your holiday? (Are / Do)

4- Write full questions:

1. My uncle has four dogs in his farm. (2 points)

How many.....? four dogs

2. His new flats cost 70,000 \$.

How much .....? 70,000 \$

*Best wishes*

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