



UNITED ARAB EMIRATES
MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

Grade 12 Term 1 Sample Paper

Name: _____

Class: _____

Date: _____

Listening Part 1

Listen to a lecture talk about the history of communication

Which of the following does the lecturer mention in the talk? Tick (✓) the **two** correct answers.

- A Who invented the World Wide Web
- B Modern cave paintings
- C Writing and drawing in ancient times
- D Why the Industrial Revolution happened
- E Technology and communication

Questions 3-6. Choose the correct answer, A, B or C.

Example: What will the lecture discuss?

- A. Technology for transport
- B. Art in the ancient world
- C. The evolution of global communication

3. Why did ancient people paint animals?

- A. To advise on food and dangers
- B. To trade in animals
- C. To pass down stories

4. As trade became more important, words started being presented as _____.

- A. cave paintings
- B. numbers
- C. pictures

5. Telegraphs became possible after the discovery of _____.

- A. radio waves
- B. electricity
- C. new transport

6. Which communication technology is NOT mentioned?

- A. World Wide Web
- B. morse code
- C. mobile phones

Listening Part 2

Listen to Alison, talking with a radio presenter about her art gallery. Write **one** word in each gap. The first one has been done for you.

In the gallery, there are **Ex.** bronze sculptures and ceramics as well as

1. _____ and textiles. One difference with Alison's gallery is that they have 2. _____ artists, while other galleries focus on specific 3. _____.

Questions 4-6. Choose one correct answer. Choose A, B or C

4. Who visits the country at least a month every year?

- A. Alison
- B. The presenter
- C. The artists

5. How does Alison feel about electronic artworks (e.g. jpegs)?

- A. It's better to see the physical art
- B. You can tell how it will look and feel
- C. It will replace visiting galleries

6. How does Alison feel about the internet and organizing an exhibition?

- A. It is now easier
- B. It takes months
- C. The quality is worse

(Please turn over)

Reading Part 1

A Since the first film in 1895, cinema has become a major part of our lives and a multibillion dollar industry. Cinema has been so successful because it allows us to be transported back in time, explore distant planets or quietly enjoy fantastic stories. Cinema has seen major advances in its technology. Chances are you have been to see a 3D film recently and you are probably looking forward to more new advances in terms of augmented reality (AR) and virtual reality (VR).



B Animated films have sparked a renewal of interest in 3D films as they have used advanced computer processing speeds to develop computer generated images (CGI). So what is 3D? There are two different types of movies included under this term. One refers to CGI which relies on computer models of objects and is usually used for animation. Stereoscopic 3D movies are where the images are viewed through special glasses and images seem to reach out of the screen.

C Stereoscopic films work on the simple idea of fooling our eyes. 3D films take advantage of the distance between our eyes i.e the inter-ocular distance. To understand how this works, try placing an object in front of your eyes, close one eye then another. You should notice that you see a slightly different image with each eye. To create this type of film, film makers must first use two different cameras side-by-side, just like your eyes, to film the screens. The recorded images are then combined and projected onto a screen. Finally, the audience needs to wear the special glasses. When we see the image through the 3D glasses, our brain is fooled into thinking we are seeing in 3D.

D While we are not yet watching films in VR, it will bring a very different cinematic experience. Advances in 3D and 4D effects such as wind, rain, and so on, will probably be integrated into VR. VR will be a dynamic storytelling medium; it offers the possibility for a fully immersive experience for the audience. The only drawback at the moment is the idea of strapping boxes on our faces in the cinema.

1. What is a suitable title for this text?
 - A. Disadvantages of 3D
 - B. From 3D to VR
 - C. The History of Cinema
 - D. The first CGI film
2. What is the *main* purpose of this text?
 - A. To compare 3D films with VR
 - B. To explain why films cost so much money
 - C. To describe different technology in cinema
 - D. To discuss the disadvantages of VR

Are the following statements true (T) or false (F)?

3. There are two different ways to create 3D film effects.
 - a. True
 - b. False

4. Stereoscopic films require you to wear special glasses.
 - a. True
 - b. False

5. CGI 3D is filmed using two cameras which are a certain length apart.
 - a. True
 - b. False

Complete the table with one or two words from the text in each gap. Write the correct word(s).	
1895	6. _____ film
Interest in 3D films	Started because of 7. _____ films.
Stereoscopic 3D	Works on the 8. _____ between your eyes. Two combined images are 9. _____ on a screen.
VR	Can include 10. _____ and other weather effects.

Reading Part 2

Text 1

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Text 2

The majlis is an essential part of Middle Eastern life. The concept of the majlis dates back to the days of Prophet Mohammed (PBUH) and beyond. In essence, it is an ancient tradition whose key functions are to foster a sense of community and to create a place that is welcoming and hospitable to its visitors.

In the GCC countries this ancient tradition holds great significance and it is generally focussed on family and friendly gatherings. But it is also of great importance to business, especially family businesses who have used them to connect and interact with their community and customers.

The majlis is also a form of informal education. It welcomes all age groups, and it is through observing elders in the majlis that young people learn the manners and ethics of their community. They can also observe key leaderships skills in action such as dialogue, listening skills, and respect for the opinion of others.

Read the articles and choose the best summaries for the texts

Write the letter of the summary on the line. You can use each title only once. There is one title you do not need.

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| 1 | Summary of text 1 ____ | A | A place for family and learning |
| 2 | Summary of text 2 ____ | B | An Arabian cultural event |
| 3 | Summary for <i>both</i> texts ____ | C | Family business in the Middle East |
| | | D | Important aspects of Arabic culture |

Circle the correct answer, A, B, C or D.

4: What is the *main* purpose of text 1?

- A To persuade people of the importance of a cultural festival
- B To compare two different Saudi cultural festivals
- C To discuss the pros and cons of cultural festivals
- D To explain why Al Janadriyah festival started in 1985

5: What is the *main* purpose of text 2?

- A To explain how a majlis is built
- B To discuss problems with the majlis
- C To describe the uses of a majlis
- D To describe the future of the majlis

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Now fill in the gaps in the table with **one** or **two** words **from the text**. The first one is done for you.

Al-Janadriyah Festival	Majlis
The festival lasts for ex. <u>two</u> weeks.	Functions include creating a welcoming, hospitable environment and a feeling of 8. _____
You can watch horses racing and 6. _____ shows	A place for family gatherings, education and 9. _____
Festivals like this are important to protect 7. _____	Young people can learn dialogue, respecting other's opinions and 10. _____

