



ASIAN AND MIDDLE EASTERN STUDIES TRIPOS PART IA

Middle Eastern Studies

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**MES. 2    ARABIC LANGUAGE B**

*Answer **all** questions.*

*Write your number **not** your name on the cover sheet of **each** answer booklet.*

<b>STATIONERY REQUIREMENTS</b>	<b>SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS</b>
<i>20 Page Answer Book x 1</i>	<i>None</i>
<i>Rough Work Pad</i>	

**You may not start to read the questions printed on the subsequent pages of this question paper until instructed that you may do so by the Invigilator.**

## SECTION A

1. Answer **one** of the following. Your composition **in Arabic** should be about **120 words** (30 marks).

a. You are organising a trip for your family to Libya. Send a formal e-mail to the hotel manager informing him that you would like to book three rooms in his hotel. In your family there are two girls and five boys, plus your parents. Ask him all the questions your parents would like to ask before booking the hotel.

b. Write to your Arab pen friend about a book that you have read recently and which you think will interest him/ her too. Try to provide some information about your friend without turning this letter into a simple letter of introduction, by making clear why you think he/she would like to read such a book.

c. Write a letter to a friend to tell him/her all about your visit to an Arab country where you went to teach English to Arab children. Tell him/her about what impressed you most and about the most striking differences from schools here in England.

## SECTION B

2. Give the correct form of the verb between brackets, say which mood it is and add short vowel endings, if appropriate (5 marks).

١. يتمنى أن .....(يسافرون) إلى بلد مشمس.  
 ٢. أنتم لم ..... (قرّر) بعد أين تحبون السكن.  
 ٣. اسمع كلامي ولا ..... (تكون) عنيدا.  
 ٤. هذا المكتب لم .....(يبقى) في بيته طويلا ولن .....(يشترى +ه) احد.

3. The following passage contains ten grammatical mistakes. Correct the mistakes and add any missing preposition required by the verbs (5 marks).

تقدّم الشاب وكان في يده هدية للأميرة يحبها ولكن الأميرة رفضت الهدية وبدأت ان تصرخ وتقول "لا شكرا! لم أحتفظ بها ولم أخذ شيئا منك". أخذت الخادمة الباقة الورد ووضعها على الارض. وقبل أن تنسحبان قالت الأميرة: أرجو أن لا تغضب. سنبقون على اتصال بك.

4. Join the following two halves of each sentence and make any grammatically necessary amendments to form a complete sentence. Some of the required amendments are indicated between brackets (6 marks).

١. سيارة الرجل يعرف والدي ل + ه (خمس/ة) باب .  
 ٢. هذا + كتب جميل ليس ب ( ٢ ) ليرة.  
 ٣. هي تحب + انتم لأن أباها من أعز صديق + أنتم.

5. Give the sixth and eighth forms of the following verbs (2 marks).

١. وحد      ٢. زحم

6. Give the equivalent of the underlined parts in the following sentences so that the new sentence you give means exactly the same as the original sentence (2 marks).

١. ما عاش فقيرا لأنه ورث عن أبيه بيتا كبيرا .  
 ٢. حُكِمَ عليه بالسجن بالرغم من أنه اعترف بالخطأ.  
 ٣. عليك ألا تخاف من الامتحان فأنت طالب ممتاز.

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