Part One: Reading  

A. TRUE / FALSE  (4 marks)

Directions: Circle the letter that corresponds to your answer. Circle T if the statement is true or F if it is false.

1. Muhammad Ali gave the French king a treasure chest.  
   T  F
2. Zarafa’s travelling to Paris started with a boat trip.  
   T  F
3. Zarafa died in Paris  
   T  F
4. People welcomed the giraffe in every place she went.  
   T  F

B. MULTIPLE CHOICE TYPE  (3 marks)

Directions: Circle the letter of the correct answer.

1. What is the best title for the text?
   A. A special gift to the king of France.  
   B. Zarafa’s life.  
   D. Giraffe as a celebrity.

2. What is the main idea of paragraph 2?
   A. Zarafa’s trip to the shores of France was very unusual.  
   B. Three cows gave milk to feed the giraffe.  
   C. A camel ride is odd in Sudan.  
   D. Zarafa was caught by Arab hunters.

3. What is the main idea of paragraph 4?
   A. Zarafa’s coming to Paris caused great interest and excitement.  
   B. Zarafa was a celebrity in Paris.  
   C. Women imitated the giraffe in hair style.  
   D. The female giraffe lived in the botanical garden in France.

C. MEANING FROM THE CONTEXT  (2 marks)

1. The word celebrity in paragraph 3 has the same meaning as:
   A. A gift  
   B. A famous person  
   C. An actress  
   D. A party
2. The word **provided** in paragraph 2 has the same meaning as:

   A. drunk  
   B. used  
   C. gave  
   D. made

**D. SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS** (6 marks)

1. Why did the cows accompany Zarafa?

   __________________________________________________________

2. Why did the Egyptian ruler give a gift to the king of France?

   __________________________________________________________

3. Who wrote a book about Zarafa?

   __________________________________________________________

4. How many days did Zarafa walk from Marseille to Paris?

   __________________________________________________________

5. How many people came to see Zarafa in Paris?

   __________________________________________________________

6. How did women imitate Zarafa?

   __________________________________________________________

**E. GRID COMPLETION** (4 marks)

**Directions:** Fill in the gaps with the correct information from the text.

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<td>1. _______________</td>
<td>Muhammad Ali gave a female giraffe to the king of France</td>
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<td>May 20, 1827</td>
<td>The scientist and Zarafa 2. ________________</td>
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|                 | 3. ________________  
|                 | Zarafa arrived in Lyon                                                |
| October 31, 1826| 4. ________________  

F. GAP FILLING (5 marks)

Directions: Fill in the gaps in the sentences with the correct words from the box.

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1. The LuLu hypermarket is within walking _______________ of the Safari hotel in Nizwa.
2. To do the project, level 4 students need _______________ one month
3. The doctor recommended a sick man to _______________ in bed for a few days.
4. New and _______________ clothes are very expensive.
5. A _______________ is an experienced person who studies or works in one of the fields.
6. Hundreds of fans gathered at the airport to await the _______________ of the National football team.
Part Two: Listening (30 minutes) (25 marks)

Listening: Question 1 (10 marks)

You are going to listen to a talk about Abraham Lincoln. Listen carefully and answer the questions that follow. You will hear the recording twice. You have 30 seconds to read the questions.

A. Circle the correct answer. (5 marks)

1. The speaker is talking mainly about Abraham Lincoln’s __________.
   a. life  b. parents  c. nickname

2. Abraham Lincoln’s father had many slaves.
   a. True  b. False  c. doesn’t say

3. When Lincoln was 22 he used to work?
   a. in a school  b. in a general store  c. in a farm

4. How many children did Lincoln have?
   a. 2  b. 3  c. 4

5. Lincoln’s nickname was due to his ________________.
   a. hard work  b. honesty  c. business

B. True or False? (3 marks)

6. His business worked out successfully.  T  F

7. Lincoln did NOT want to face problems  T  F

8. Lincoln fought all his life to end slavery in the U.S.  T  F

C. Fill the gap. (2 marks)

9. Lincoln managed to ___________ all the slaves are free in 1863.

10. The 13th Amendment sealed Lincoln’s historical _________________, the ban on slavery.
Listening: Question 2

You are going to listen to 3 conversations. Listen carefully and answer the questions that follow. You will hear each conversation twice. You will have 30 seconds to read the questions of each conversation.

Conversation 1

A. True or False?
1. Suleiman’s phone was ringing loud in the library. T F
2. Rashid had a meeting with Mrs Thuraya at 10.30 am. T F

B. Fill the gap
3. Rashid has to ___________ he didn’t like his day too much.

C. Choose the correct answer.
4. Suleiman thinks that Rashid should:
   a. include a report          b. improve the report          c. respect his report

5. Rashid says he is going to work on it
   a. yesterday           b. today                      c. tomorrow

Conversation 2

A. True or False?
1. Saif has a problem with the water supply T F
2. Saif’s house is full of water T F

B. Fill the blank.
3. Saif thinks that the roadwork company didn’t even have the ____________ to tell people about possible shortages.

C. Choose the correct answer.
4. Tanker drivers ____________.
   a. respond to emergency calls          b. eat in Firq          c. fill up the police station

5. Saif advises his friend to ____________.
   a. give tanker drivers more money       b. tell tanker drivers to go home          c. agree on the price over the phone
Conversation 3

A. True or False?

1. It took Saeeda a short time to find Eiman’s house. T F

2. Eiman never bakes cakes. T F

B. Fill the gap.

3. Some of the recipes are very ______________ for Eiman.

C. Choose the correct answer.

4. Saeeda’s husband thinks that she will never:
   a. eat out
   b. eat in the kitchen
   c. improve

6. The type of restaurants which Saida does NOT mention is:
   a. Italian
   b. French
   c. Chinese
The graph below shows the number of BMW cars sold in Oman last year. Write a (160-200 words) essay describing the information in the graph.
Write a process essay of 180-200 words on one of the following topics:

Your essay should include an introduction, supporting paragraphs, and a conclusion.

How to become a successful student in college?

Or

How to improve your English vocabulary?