

**Read the following text then do the tasks below**

A **mountain** is an area of land over 300m high. Mountains are millions of years old. The **biggest** mountain ranges in the world are the European Alps. The Andes in South America, the Rockies in North America, and the Himalayas in Asia. Different animals and plants live in different parts of a mountain. It is extremely cold and windy at the top of mountains and there is a lot of ice and snow. Also, there isn't much oxygen so no plants can grow there. Only a few insects can live in these conditions.

In the middle zone of a mountain, a lot of evergreen trees grow. They are called evergreen because they keep their leaves all year round. The conditions get easier there and more types of wild animals can **survive**, such as deer, wolves, hawks, bears, birds and wild cats

**A-Choose the right answers a, b or c to complete the following:** (30 marks)

- The European Alps is one of the ----- mountain ranges in the world.  
a. smallest      b. largest      c. hottest
- It's very cold ----- of the mountains .  
a. at the top      b. at the bottom  
c. in the middle
- A lot of animals and plants can live ----- of the mountains.  
a. at the top      b. at the bottom  
c. in the middle

**B-Choose two of the underlined words in the text to suit their definitions below:** (20 marks)

- huge/ very large .....
- A high rocky place that people climb.....

**B- Read the following text then do the tasks below:**

JAMEL BAHLI was born in Lyon, France, in 1963. But he hasn't stayed there. In fact, he has run around the world! When Jamel Balhi was a small boy, he liked running around the house. Later on, he always ran to school. And when he was sixteen, he ran his first race. It was a distance of 60 kilometres! However, Jamel isn't interested in winning races – he's interested in running. Jamel runs for about six or seven hours a day. His speed is about 15 kilometres per hour. He doesn't carry much. In his small backpack he carries his camera, a pair of trousers, a sweatshirt and a raincoat. When he isn't running Jamel takes photographs, gives talks and writes about his life. In fact, he has written several books about his travels.

**Write( T) for true and (F) for false.** (30 marks)

- Jamel started running when he was sixteen.....
- Jamel hasn't lived all his life in France.....
- Jamel liked running around the world when he was a small boy.....

**B-Answer the following questions:** (20 marks)

- What does he take with him?  
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- What does he do when he isn't running?  
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**C- Read the following sentences and choose the correct answer.** (40 marks)

- Today is the (hotter, hottest) day of the year.
- Salah (has, have) visited the museum in our town.
- Have you (for, ever) been to a theme park?
- Firass has had a headache (since, for) this morning.

**D- choose the correct answer a, b or c to complete the following dialogue** (40 marks)

**Ramia:** ----- you ever been to New York?  
 15. a. have            b. did                c. do  
**Daniyal:** Yes, I have. I went there ----- 2005  
 16. a. for                b. in                    c. last  
**Ramia:** I was with -----friends.  
 17. a. mine              b. my                   c. me  
**Daniyal:** ----- you enjoy it?  
 18. a. was               b. does                c. did

**E-Write the missing word in each space.** (30 marks)

19. Paris is \_\_\_\_\_ most beautiful city in the world.  
 20. Salah \_\_\_\_\_ slept in a tent.  
 21. We haven't had any food \_\_\_\_\_ breakfast time.

**F- Complete each item in column (A) with the correct choice from column (B).** (40 marks)

A	B
22. Tourists visit mountains for....	a. has three beautiful minarets.
23. The Great Ummayyad Mosque.	b. 87 km south of Damascus in Sweida province.
24. The moon's gravity causes....	c. the beautiful scenery and skiing.
25. The old city of Shahba is located....	d. carry their babies.
	e. the tides to happen.

**G- Choose the correct tense between brackets** (50 marks)

26.I have (saw, seen) a film in English.  
 27.Omar has (finds, found) his book.  
 28. I have had this headache (since, for) five hours.  
 29. How long have you (been, be) here?  
 30.(Have, Has) your brother been abroad?

**H- Complete the following Dialogues:**

**A- Write the questions.** (30 marks)

31. **Roula:** .....?  
**Samer:** Yes, I have been to a theme park.  
 32. **Roula:** .....?  
**Samer:** I went two months ago.  
 33. **Roula:** .....?  
**Samer:** It was exciting.  
**Write the answers:** (20 marks)  
 34. **Roula:** What did you do in the park?  
**Samer:** .....  
 35. **Roula:** How did you go there?  
**Samer:** .....

**Write a 50-word composition about ONE of the following topics:** (50 marks)

**Topic 1:** Write about a historic site you know.  
**Topic 2:** Write an entry for the World Pen-friends website.  
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