

**Part One : Reading
A/ Comprehension**

الموضوع الأول

**(14 points)
(07 pts)**

Read the text carefully then do the following activities.

According to the Oxford Reference Dictionary plagiarism basically means taking the work or idea of someone else and pretending it is one's own. Plagiarism includes copying words or ideas from someone without quoting that source. Plagiarism is considered a form of copyright infringement.

In the present world plagiarism has become quite a common phenomenon especially among the school and college students. Short submissions deadlines, the lack of academic integrity, the student's ignorance, their difficulty with citing, in addition to the weakness in language skills are actually forcing many students to plagiarize. What makes it possible for the students to commit plagiarism is also the fact that they almost always go unpunished.

There have been quite a few famous cases of plagiarism in the recent past among them the well known historian and biographer of U.S. Presidents Dwight D. Eisenhower and Richard Nixon, Stephen Edwards Ambrose. In 2002, Ambrose was found to have plagiarized several passages in his book "The Wild Blue". Ambrose had taken passages from "Wings of Morning: The Story of The Last American Bomber Shot Down over Germany in World War II" by Thomas Childers.

There are means provided by the internet to stop plagiarism like Google (www.google.com). Google is essentially a search engine however it can be used to detect plagiarism because its advanced search engine capabilities are conducive to locating key phrases that may appear in students' research papers. The Glatt Plagiarism Program is another means of preventing plagiarism. Dr. Barbara Glatt has developed the 3 different software programs designed to detect and prevent plagiarism.

Adapted from <http://www.legalserviceindia.com>.

1. Are the following statements true or false? write T or F next to the statement and correct the false one(s).

- Plagiarism is a kind of intellectual theft.
- Poor language mastery lead students to plagiarize.
- Thomas Childers committed plagiarism.
- There is only one software to limit this phenomenon.



2. Put the following ideas in the order they appear in the text.

- The different means to detect plagiarism.
- Learners at university are the main plagiarizers.
- Examples of well-known situations of plagiarism.
- Plagiarism causes and sanctions.

3. Answer the following questions according to the text.

- What is pushing students to plagiarise? Name two reasons.
- Are the students committing plagiarism penalized? Justify.
- What has Dr Glaat done to fight plagiarism?

4. What or who do the underlined words refer to in the text?

a- their (§2).....

b- its (§4).....

5. The text is:

- argumentative
- expository
- prescriptive

B- Text Exploration: (07 pts)

1. Find in the text words closest in meaning to the following :

- a) violation (§1) =..... b) probity (§2) =..... c) discover (§4) =.....

2. Divide the following words into roots and affixes:

basically - unpunished - disabled

Prefix	Root	Suffix

3. Ask questions which the underlined words answer.

- a) Students will think of plagiarism because of the lack of academic integrity.
b) New programs prevented plagiarism.

4. Classify the following words according to their final "ed".

plagiarized - reduced - reputed - passed

/t/	/d/	/id/

5. Reorder the following sentences to make a coherent passage.

- a. Schools and universities consider plagiarism a form of academic dishonesty
b. it's becoming easier for everyone to plagiarize.
c. Due largely to the amount of information available on the internet,
d. they start to punish and disqualify this unethical behavior.



Part Two: Written Expression (06 points)

Choose **ONE** of the following topics.

Topic One : Some students tend to plagiarize simply because they don't want to read and research. Write a composition of 100 to 120 words to state the importance of reading rather than copying.

Use the following notes.

- provides knowledge- develops language skills
- improves vocabulary and understanding- improves school results
- helps develop personality- develops imagination
- relaxes the body and calms the mind.

Topic Two : No one can deny the fact that ancient civilizations contributed largely to the development of societies. Write an article of about 80 to 120 words for your school blog to highlight those achievements and their significant impact on the welfare of modern societies.

Part One : Reading

الموضوع الثاني

(14 points)

A/ Comprehension

(07 pts)

Read the text carefully then do the following activities.

Examinations have an important role to play in any system of education. Indeed, it is impossible to imagine a school which does not set exams for students to measure their progress and to evaluate their qualifications. As a result of being necessary, they sometimes put students under pressure and can cause stress-related conditions and panic attacks. Test anxiety can develop for a number of reasons. One major factor of stress among students is worrying about how anxiety will affect them which can be as debilitating as the anxiety itself. This kind of anxiety can interfere with the student's ability to prepare adequately.

Lack of preparation is another factor that can contribute to test anxiety. Poor time management, poor study habits, and lack of organization can lead to a student feeling overwhelmed. Student's who are forced to cram at the last minute will feel less confident than those who have been able to follow a structured plan for studying. Being able to anticipate what the exam will cover, and knowing all the information has been covered during the study sessions, can help students to enter the testing situation with a more positive attitude.

Lack of confidence, fear of failure, and other negative thought processes may also contribute to test anxiety. The pressure to perform well on exams is a great motivator unless it is so extreme that it becomes irrational. Perfectionism and feelings of unworthiness provide unreasonable goals to achieve through testing situations. When a student's self-esteem is too closely tied to the outcome of any one academic task, the results can be devastating. As a result students may spend more time focusing on the negative consequences of failure, than preparing to succeed.

Exam stress varies from person to person, there are some students who are better at handling exam stress. A lot of people find that the stress before exams is often worse than the actual exam and it can be made even worse if they have older brothers or sisters who have already done well and feel they have to match up to their standards...

Adapted from the Internet

1. Are the following statements true or false? write T or F next to the statement:

- Students feel stressed because of the importance of exams.
- Fear from exam stress is the only reason of stress itself.
- Negative thinking has no relation with exam anxiety.
- Exam stress is similar with all students.

2. Identify the paragraphs in which the following ideas are mentioned :

- Weak schedule and exam stress.
- The differences between students in dealing with stress

3. Answer the following questions according to the text :

- Why are exams so important ?
- Mention three reasons of stress from the text ?
- When is the pressure to do well in exams considered negative ?

4. Find who or what the underlined words refer to in the text :

- them (§1)
- it (§4)

5. Give a title to the test.



B- Text Exploration : (07 pts)

1. Find in the text words or phrases that are opposite in meaning to the following :

a- improperly (§1) ≠.....

b- doubtful (§2) ≠.....

c- worse (§4) ≠

2. Complete the chart as shown in the example :

Verb	Noun	Adjective
Example : to contribute	contribution	contributive
.....	performance	
to measure		
.....		structured

3. Combine each pairs of sentences with the connectors give between brackets . Make changes where necessary.

a- As a result of being necessary in any educational system, exams sometimes put students under pressure. (due to)

b- The pressure to perform well on exams will be a great motivator unless it is so extreme .(if not).

4. Classify the following words according to the stressed syllable :

reason - anticipation - academic - personality

1 st syllable	2 nd syllable	3 rd syllable	4 th syllable

5. Fill in the gaps with only four (4) words from the list below.

significant - feeling - tutor - seeking - strength - quickly

Never underestimate the power of reaching out. Whether to friends, family, or your personal (1)..... , sharing your feelings can alleviate the burden of stress. In extreme cases, (2)..... professional help is a courageous step that can make a (3)..... difference. Remember, asking for support is a sign of (4)..... .

Part Two : Written Expression

(6 points)

Choose **ONE** of the following topics.

Topic One : Exam periods can be emotionally challenging for students, and parents can provide a listening ear and emotional support during times of stress. Write a speech of 100 to 120 as a member of parents association encouraging and expressing empathy to help students.

Use the following notes

- maintaining a healthy lifestyle can significantly impact stress levels.
- create a supportive and encouraging atmosphere at home.
- encouraging them to create a study schedule.
- provide a listening ear and emotional support during times of exams.



Topic Two: “Millions of children over the world are engaged in hazardous conditions, working in mine , with chemicals and pesticides in agriculture”. Write a composition of about 80 to 120 words stating the measures should be taken to reduce this kind of abuse.