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Level: 3ASL

Duration : 2h

FIRST TERM ENGLISH EXAM**Read the text carefully then do the following activities****A/Comprehension (7pts)**

Muslim Arabs all along have absorbed cultures from different territories they took over, like the Roman Empire and Persian Empire. It would be good to mention that this civilization achieved many goals during their existence mainly in astronomy and mathematics. The Empire lasted from about 750 to 1258.

The Arabs expanded in the seventh and eighth centuries having as their centre Damascus. Soon later came the Abbasid dynasty ruled by Abu al-Abbas. In 762, the establishment of the capital city was relocated to Baghdad. The new capital was better located for transportation purposes and also for commerce.

Since Arabs conquered many of the rich provinces from the old Roman Empire they themselves were also becoming very wealthy with Baghdad as the trade centre for the Middle East and Europe. Unfortunately there was at some point an awful fight between two brothers for the succession to the caliphate. This obviously hurt the Abbasids because they had lost their sovereignty. Many monuments and properties had been ruined as well.

The Islamic civilization was the one that introduced algebra in mathematics and perfected the astrolabe. They discovered new concepts in chemistry and also developed medicine.

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1.Circle the letter that corresponds to the right answer.**The text is: (0,5pt)**

a. a book extract b- a website article c- a newspaper article

2-Are these statements true or false? Write T or F next to the corresponding statement. (1,5pt)

- a. Muslim Arabs achieved many works in various fields.
- b. Baghdad wasn't a strategic city during the Abbasid era.
- c. Muslims Arabs have never witnessed any problems between their rulers.

3-Answer the following questions according to the text. (3pts)

- a-Which civilizations helped in the development of the Arabs?
- b-Why was Baghdad a strategic city during the Abbasid era?
- c-What was the reason of the decline of the Arabs civilization?

4-What or who do the underlined words refer to in the text? (1,5pt)

a-Themselves (§3)..... b. this (§3)=.....c.they (3§)

5-Copy the title you think is the most appropriate.0,5

a-*History of the Caliphate.* b. *The Arab Reign.* c. *The Muslim Arabs Civilization*

B .Text Exploration

(08 points)

1. Find in the text words that are closest in meaning to the following: (1p)

A . spread (§2)=.....

B. rich (§ 3)=

2- Complete the table (1,5 pts)

<i>Verb</i>	<i>Noun</i>	<i>Adjective</i>
<i>To achieve</i>		
.....	<i>Establishment</i>	
.....		<i>successful</i>

3-Combine the pairs of sentences using the connectors in brackets. Make the necessary changes. (3pts)

- a. The Arabs conquered many rich provinces. They became powerful. **(after)**
b. Sumerians faced natural obstacles. The Sumerians could prosper and succeed. **(in spite of)**
c. Abbasids had lost their sovereignty. Abbasids were very wealthy and powerful. **(Although)**

4-Fill in the gaps with words from the following list (1pt)

(translated- Muslims- geometry - work - golden Age)

The Islamic world made significant contributions to the advancement of knowledge during the Islamic scholars preserved and.....ancient Greek and Roman texts, fostering a vibrant intellectual culture. They made breakthroughs in mathematics, with the development of, and astronomy, influencing the.....of later scientists.

5-Classify the following words according to the pronunciation of their final "ed". (1,5pts)

Conquered – developed — established – lasted – achieved – prospered

<i>/t/</i>	<i>/d/</i>	<i>/id/</i>

PART TWO: Written Expression choose one of the following topics

(05 points)

Topic :one

All civilizations such as the Egyptian, Greek, Roman, Sumerian and Phoenicians ... rose, fell and then vanished because of wars and epidemics. How about our modern civilization ? Use the following notes to write a composition of about 80 to 100 words in which you say what threatens the world today ?

. Nuclear wars and natural disasters./Dangerous diseases./Climate change, pollution and global warming./Economic collapse./Possible collision with comets or asteroids.

Or Topic Two: Write a letter to one of your pen friends to invite him/her to visit a famous historical place in your country. Locate the place, say what it is famous for and what people, who used to live there, could do and invent

Good luck

CORRECTION
READING COMPREHENSION

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b-Baghdad wasn't a strategic city during the Abbasid era. **F**
c-Muslims Arabs have never witnessed any problems between their rulers. **F**

3-Answer the following questions according to the text. (3pts)

- a-The civilizations are Roman and Persian
b-Because it was a trade centre for the Middle east and Europe?
c- The reason of the decline of the Arabs civilization was the conflict between the two brothers for the succession to the Caliphate

4-What or who do the underlined words refer to in the text? (1,5pt)

- a-Themselves (§3) Arabs **b. this (§3)=... awful fight....c.they (3§) the Abbasids**

5-Copy the title you think is the most appropriate.1pt

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(08 points)

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<i>To achieve</i>	<i>Achievement</i>	<i>achievable</i>
<i>To establish</i>	<i>Establishment</i>	<i>established</i>
<i>To succeed</i>	<i>success</i>	<i>successful</i>

3-Combine the pairs of sentences using the connectors in brackets. Make the necessary changes. (3pts)

- a. After the Arabs had conquered many rich provinces, they became powerful. **(after)**
b. In spite of facing natural obstacles, the Sumerians could prosper and succeed. **(in spite of)**
c. Abbasids had lost their sovereignty although they were very wealthy and powerful. **(Although)**

4-Fill in the gaps with words from the following list

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