

Essay 1- 4th year -answer key-

A. Theoretical questions (30 marks)

Answer 3 of the questions below:

1- What is the difference between summaries and responses?

Summaries are shorter versions of the original texts. When you write a summary, you should respect the author's ideas and mention the name of the work and the author and you can't add any ideas or opinions that were not mentioned in the original text. On the other hand, responses in all their kinds are texts written in response to other texts and you can write your own ideas and opinions in them.

(10 marks)

2- In an essay about the advantages and disadvantages of open learning systems, which of the following sentences makes a good thesis statement and which is a good topic sentence?

a- Open learning systems generally have a number of advantages and disadvantages. *Thesis statement (5 marks)*

b- The most important advantages of open learning systems are that they provide all people with the opportunity to get an academic degree and the timing of lectures is also suitable for most people. *Topic sentence (5 marks)*

3- Change the following direct quotations to indirect quotations:

a- Her parents said to her, "We want you to get the highest marks."

Her parents said that they wanted her to get the highest marks. (5 marks)

b- He said, "The sun rises from the east."

He said that the sun rises from the east. (5 marks)

5- Decide if the following statements are true or false:

a- A paraphrase includes only the most important information from the source. *False (5 marks)*

b- In an academic response, you are supposed to write your opinion. *True (5 marks)*

**B. Write a well organised essay about one of the following topics.
(write 200-300 words) (70 marks)**

- a- Write about the disadvantages if early marriages.
- b- Write about the similarities and differences between traditional (face-to-face) lectures and virtual (online) lectures.

- *All essays must include the following: (35 marks)*

a- Title

b- Introduction with a thesis statement

c- Body with a topic sentence for each paragraph

d- A suitable conclusion

note: students lose 10 marks for not writing a title or for writing an insufficient introduction or conclusion.

- *The content and language of the essay are allotted 35 marks, to get those the essay should be:*

a- Free from grammatical mistakes

b- Free from spelling mistakes

c- Free from mistakes in sentence structure

note: marks are deducted according to the mistakes made.

note: students do not pass if the mistakes in the essay showed lack of sufficient knowledge of linguistic rules (grammar, structure, spelling...etc.) and how to use them.