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**Arabic**

**Unit 4: Writing in Arabic**

Thursday 23 June 2016 – Afternoon  
**Time: 1 hour**

Paper Reference

**5AR04/01**

**You do not need any other materials.**

Total Marks

### Instructions

- Use **black** ink or ball-point pen.
- **Fill in the boxes** at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- This paper is in two sections. Attempt **one** task from Section A and **one** task from Section B.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided  
– *there may be more space than you need.*
- The use of an appropriate bilingual dictionary is permitted in both Tasks 1 and 2.

### Information

- The total mark for this paper is 50.
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets  
– *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.*

### Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.

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## SECTION A (short writing task)

1 Choose **either** (a), (b), (c) **or** (d) from the tasks below:

Write 30–70 words **in Arabic**.

### EITHER

#### Media, travel and culture:

(a) You have moved to a new town. You do not know many people there. Write a letter to an Arab friend, **in Arabic**, describing this new town.

This should include:

- the kind of neighbours you have met
- the club you have joined
- how much you like/do not like the town and why.

### OR

(b) You have some Arab friends who formed a music band. They are planning their first concert in town and they asked you to help them prepare an article, **in Arabic**, to be placed in the local newspaper to promote the event.

This should include:

- date, time and place of the concert
- where to buy tickets – online or on the door
- why the concert should not be missed.

### OR

#### Sport, leisure and work:

(c) What is your favourite film? Write an email to a friend, **in Arabic**, about the film.

This should include:

- the main characters in the film
- what the story is about
- when you saw the film and why you liked the story.

### OR

(d) You applied for a summer job in a Sports Centre. Write a short introduction, **in Arabic**, about yourself to the manager of the Centre.

This should include:

- brief background information about yourself
- why you are a suitable candidate for this job
- how this work will help you with your future career.

(Total for Task 1 = 20 marks)

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Chosen task: (a)  (b)  (c)  (d)

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**TOTAL FOR SECTION A = 20 MARKS**



## SECTION B (longer writing task)

2 Choose **either** (a), (b), (c) **or** (d) from the tasks below:

Write a minimum of 120 words **in Arabic**.

### EITHER

#### Media, travel and culture:

- (a) Fame is the dream of many young people; some may wish to be as famous as the celebrity they idolise. If you wish to become a famous person one day, describe how fame would change your life.

Write an article, **in Arabic**, to be published in your school magazine. Discuss the benefits that you may gain when you become famous, as well as the disadvantages that you fear may come with it. You may draw on the experience of different celebrities or on someone you know.

### OR

- (b) The government has proposed a new transport project that would include building an airport and a train station in your hometown. While this may bring jobs to the area, it may also result in increased noise and traffic.

You have been asked by your family and neighbours to write a letter, **in Arabic**, to the officials to convince them not to go ahead with the project. Write about this topic referring to the advantages, as well as the disadvantages, of this transport project.

### OR

#### Sport, leisure and work:

- (c) Sport is entertaining and brings people together. Professional sportspeople can earn a lot of money for themselves and their country. However it is easy for them to injure themselves.

Write an essay, **in Arabic**, about the advantages and disadvantages of sport. You may wish to discuss the above statement, then explain your own experience or the experience of someone else.

### OR

- (d) Your school has voted against students having work experience this year. Write an essay, **in Arabic**, about the importance of work experience for students.

You should explain whether work experience could help students have a better understanding of what jobs they want to do in the future. You can refer to your own experience or to the experience of someone you know.

**(Total for Task 2 = 30 marks)**

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Chosen task: (a)  (b)  (c)  (d)

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**TOTAL FOR PAPER = 50 MARKS**



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