

**PORTAL TO ENGLISH 9A**  
**2021 / 2022**  
**SEMESTER 1**  
**MODULES 1 – 5**  
**KEY ANSWERS**

**LANGUAGE FUNCTIONS**

**Read and choose the correct response ...**

- 1- How about eating sushi?  
A) Who cares?  
**B) I find it horrible.**  
C) None of your business!  
D) Mind your own business.
- 2- My bike broke down last week.  
A) Beats me.  
B) Watch this!  
C) Congratulations!  
**D) Sorry for your bad news.**
- 3- What about having some ice tea?  
A) Beats me.  
B) Nobody cares.  
**C) I find it horrible.**  
D) What are you up to?
- 4- I got low marks in the last exam.  
A) Who knows?  
B) Good for you.  
C) Congratulations!  
**D) Sorry for your bad news.**
- 5- Let's watch "Captain Majid"!  
A) Who knows?  
B) How dare you?  
**C) I find it horrible.**  
D) I'm off tomorrow.
- 6- Someone stole my wallet.  
A) It's great.  
B) Beats me.  
C) Good for you.  
**D) Sorry for your bad news.**

- 7- **Could you lend me some money?**  
A) **Of course.**  
B) It's horrible.  
C) Congratulations!  
D) Good to see you again.
- 8- **I'm sick. I have a headache.**  
A) Who cares!  
B) How dare you?  
C) Mind your own business!  
D) **Sorry for your bad news.**
- 9- **What does your brother look like?**  
A) Not bad.  
B) He is serious.  
C) Nice to meet you.  
D) **He is tall and strong.**
- 10- **What about eating out at KFC?**  
A) Who cares!  
B) How dare you?  
C) **I find it horrible.**  
D) Mind your own business!
- 11- **What would you like to be in the future?**  
A) I want to sleep.  
B) **I want to be a teacher.**  
C) I want to go to school.  
D) I want to have a sandwich.
- 12- **Father didn't let me go on a picnic.**  
A) It's great.  
B) That's fine.  
C) Happy to see you.  
D) **Sorry for your bad news.**
- 13- **Could I borrow your pencil, please?**  
A) **Of course.**  
B) I haven't got a clue.  
C) Sorry for your bad news.  
D) It's really great to see you.

## READING

### Read the passage and answer the questions ...

1. Qatar Charity was created in 1992 to help people in need and to make the world a better place. At first it was created to help the local Qatari community. However, it has grown with activities in many countries across Asia, Europe and Africa. Where there's a need, Qatar Charity is present. It helps in all emergencies, without caring about the nationality or the skin color of the people who need help.

2. There is a particular focus on families, especially women and children. For instance, 10,000 families in the poor areas of the West Bank of Palestine were helped thanks to Qatar Charity's program to build fruit farms by planting over one million fruit trees. In another case, Pakistani people left homeless after the floods were helped when it built temporary houses for them.

3. There are many success stories from around the world with a particular focus on education. Qatar Charity doesn't just give aid to those in need but also teaches them to help themselves by giving them skills so that they can become more independent.

4. Many of its projects focus on the future, with the creation of training centers and education institutions around the world. Qatar Charity doesn't aim only at helping those in need. Its writing competitions help students focus on the joys of being a volunteer and on how they can benefit by helping others. The organization encourages people to make donations and to raise money for its high ideals. Qatar Charity's message is "Share Your Blessings". It is a message very close to the organization's heart.

- 1- What is the text **MAINLY** about?
  - A) asking people to help others
  - B) Qatar Charity programs in Africa
  - C) Qatar Charity building schools in Qatar
  - D) giving information about Qatar Charity**
  
- 2- When was Qatar Charity created?
  - A) 1990
  - B) 1992**
  - C) 2010
  - D) 2015
  
- 3- Where does Qatar Charity have activities?
  - A) South Africa
  - B) Africa, Asia and Europe**
  - C) North and South America
  - D) Australia and New Zealand
  
- 4- What is the message of Qatar Charity?
  - A) Help the poor!
  - B) Share your blessings!**
  - C) We help everywhere!
  - D) We care about people in need!
  
- 5- Why does Qatar Charity encourage people to make donations?
  - A) to share the blessings
  - B) to create Qatar Charity
  - C) to raise money for its high ideals**
  - D) to put in the organization's heart
  
- 6- How many families did Qatar Charity help in the West Bank of Palestine?  
**- 10,000 families**
  
- 7- Why was Qatar Charity created?  
**- to help people in need and to make the world a better place**
  
- 8- How did Qatar Charity help homeless people in Pakistan?  
**- it built temporary houses for them**
  
- 9- How does Qatar Charity teach people in need to help themselves?  
**- by giving them skills so that they can become more independent**

 Read the passage and answer the questions ...

Arab history is full of great people stories. “Ahmad Bin Majid” is one of these great men. He was a famous sailor. He was born in Oman, in 1432. This is his story.

Ahmad Bin Majid wanted to discover the world, so he started sailing when he was 17. He lived in the 15th century. Most of his travels were to the Red Sea and the Indian Ocean. He was named as “The Lion of the Sea”. He wrote many books about sailing. His books were published in European libraries. They were also translated into several languages. His most famous book is “Book of Benefits in the Principles of Navigation”. Indian sailors used his books in their trips.

Ahmad Bin Majid was a smart sailor. He examined every ship after building it. He knew the direction of the wind by putting a piece of cloth on the ship. All Arabs should be proud of that great man because he got people’s respect in many parts of the world.

- 1- What is the text **MAINLY** about?
  - A) the Red Sea
  - B) the Indian Ocean
  - C) Ahmad Bin Majid**
  - D) European libraries
  
- 2- When was Ahmad Bin Majid born?
  - A) 1431
  - B) 1432**
  - C) 1433
  - D) 1434
  
- 3- When did he start sailing?
  - A) at the age of 14
  - B) at the age of 15
  - C) at the age of 16
  - D) at the age of 17**
  
- 4- What was Ahmad Bin Majid named?
  - A) lion of the sea**
  - B) book of benefits
  - C) ship of the desert
  - D) principles of navigation
  
- 5- What did Ahmad Bin Majid write books about?
  - A) sailing**
  - B) the Red sea
  - C) the Indian Ocean
  - D) several languages
  
- 6- Why did Ahmad Bin Majid want to be a sailor?  
**- to discover the world**
  
- 7- Where were his books published?  
**- in European libraries**
  
- 8- How did he know the direction of the wind?  
**- by putting a piece of cloth on the ship**
  
- 9- Why should Arabs be proud of Ahmad Bin Majid?  
**- because he got people's respect in many parts of the world**

**✚ Read the passage and answer the questions ...**

Venus is close to Earth. It is the second planet from the sun. Earth is third from the sun. Venus and Earth are almost the same size. That is why Venus is called Earth's sister planet.

Scientists have been learning about Venus for a long time. First, they looked at Venus through telescopes. Telescopes make things, that are far away, look closer. But Venus is covered with thick clouds. The scientists could not see Venus because of those thick clouds. So, they made guesses about it. For a long time, scientists thought that Venus had water and plants. They thought Venus might have animals, too. But, they could not make sure. Then, scientists found a way to learn more about Venus.

In 1978, scientists began sending space probes to Venus. Probes are tools that are used to look at things. The probes flew through the thick clouds. They took pictures of Venus up close. They found out other things, too. The probes sent the pictures and things they found out back to the scientists.

The scientists learned a lot from the probes. First, they learned that most of their guesses were wrong. Nothing could ever live on Venus because it is too hot.

After that, scientists knew they could not send people to Venus. But, they still wanted to know more about it. So, they made new probes. These new probes took bigger pictures of Venus. The pictures showed that Venus has plains, mountains, and valleys. In some ways, Venus looks like Earth.

- 1- What is the text **MAINLY** about?  
**A) information about Venus**  
B) sending probes into space  
C) taking bigger pictures of Venus  
D) using telescopes to see into space
  
- 2- What is Venus called?  
A) Sun's sister planet  
**B) Earth's sister planet**  
C) Sun's brother planet  
D) Earth's brother planet
  
- 3- What did scientists use to look at Venus?  
A) glasses  
B) cameras  
**C) telescopes**  
D) microscopes
  
- 4- What is Venus covered with?  
A) animals  
B) mountains  
**C) thick clouds**  
D) water and plants
  
- 5- What are probes?  
**A) tools to look at things**  
B) rockets to carry things  
C) planes to find out things  
D) cameras to take pictures
  
- 6- When did scientists begin sending probes to Venus?  
**- in 1978**
  
- 7- What did the probes send back to the scientists?  
**- The probes sent the pictures and things they found out back to the scientists.**
  
- 8- Why couldn't anything live on Venus?  
**- because it is too hot**
  
- 9- What did the bigger pictures of Venus show?  
**- The pictures showed that Venus has plains, mountains, and valleys.**

VOCABULARY✚ Read and choose the correct answer ...

- 1- It's \_\_\_\_\_ **D** \_\_\_\_\_ to use public transportation during rush hours.  
A) tire  
B) tires  
C) tired  
**D) tiring**
- 2- Honest officials \_\_\_\_\_ **C** \_\_\_\_\_ at the office on time.  
A) get  
B) reach  
**C) arrive**  
D) explore
- 3- Carrying heavy things is \_\_\_\_\_ **B** \_\_\_\_\_ for old people.  
A) tire  
**B) tiring**  
C) amazed  
D) amazing
- 4- The police will \_\_\_\_\_ **C** \_\_\_\_\_ to arrest the thieves.  
A) cut  
B) make  
**C) arrive**  
D) explore
- 5- Driving for long distances is \_\_\_\_\_ **D** \_\_\_\_\_ for drivers  
A) tire  
B) tires  
C) tired  
**D) tiring**
- 6- I always \_\_\_\_\_ **D** \_\_\_\_\_ at work before 6.00am.  
A) go  
B) leave  
C) come  
**D) arrive**
- 7- Buying clothes is really \_\_\_\_\_ **A** \_\_\_\_\_ in the sales.  
**A) cheap**  
B) harmful  
C) expensive  
D) dangerous

- 8- Running is extremely **B** when the weather is very hot.  
A) tired  
**B) tiring**  
C) amazed  
D) amazing
- 9- It's really bad to **D** late at school.  
A) get  
B) invite  
C) move  
**D) arrive**
- 10- Some elephants weigh 6,000 kg. I heard that in a **D**.  
A) play  
B) sitcom  
C) contact  
**D) wildlife documentary**
- 11- When it's **C**, never go swimming.  
A) dry  
B) hot  
**C) rainy**  
D) sunny
- 12- Staying up late is extremely **B**.  
A) tire  
**B) tiring**  
C) amazed  
D) amazing
- 13- The Rail didn't **C** at the station on time yesterday.  
A) get  
B) reach  
**C) arrive**  
D) explore

✚ Read the following, then fill in the gap with the suitable word ...

fresh – smoke – crowd – ideal – school

- 1- Having **fresh** fruit is necessary for the body.
- 2- It's dangerous when **smoke** comes out of a car.
- 3- A small **crowd** watched the game.
- 4- The early morning is the **ideal** time to study.

✚ Read the following, then fill in the gap with the suitable word ...

moody – fresh – smoke – crowd – ideal

- 1- I usually go walking in the early morning to have some **fresh** air.
- 2- The huge fire made a cloud of **smoke** in the sky.
- 3- A large **crowd** of children was playing in the garden.
- 4- Teachers are the **ideal** people to build any civilized nation.

✚ Read the following, then fill in the gap with the suitable word ...

fresh – smoke – moon – crowd – ideal

- 1- Having **fresh** water keeps you healthy.
- 2- Never **smoke** if you want to avoid cancer.
- 3- Lusail Stadium has a capacity **crowd** of 80000.
- 4- Muslims are the **ideal** people to lead the world to welfare.

✚ Read the following, then fill in the gap with the suitable word ...

fresh – speed – smoke – crowd – ideal

- 1- Eat **fresh** vegetables and fruit to be healthy.
- 2- Clouds of **smoke** came out of the car's exhaust.
- 3- A **crowd** of students got high marks in the final exams.
- 4- Tall people are **ideal** for basketball.

✚ Read the following, then fill in the gap with the suitable word ...

fresh – smoke – crowd – miss – ideal

- 1- I always have **fresh** bread in my meals.
- 2- It really bothers when people **smoke** cigarettes.
- 3- A big **crowd** cheered our team in the final match yesterday.
- 4- Early morning is the **ideal** time to go running.

## GRAMMAR

### + Read and choose the correct answer ...

- 1- There are A students in class. Today is Friday.  
**A) no**  
B) any  
C) many  
D) much
- 2- Doha is the place D I was born.  
A) that  
B) who  
C) which  
**D) where**
- 3- It was raining heavily, so A employees came to work.  
**A) no**  
B) any  
C) lots  
D) much
- 4- Doha is the city C FIFA World Cup 2022 will take place.  
A) that  
B) which  
**C) where**  
D) whose
- 5- I'm hard-up. I have A money to buy new clothes.  
**A) no**  
B) any  
C) many  
D) much
- 6- Mecca is the Holy City C Muslims do Omrah and Hajj.  
A) that  
B) which  
**C) where**  
D) whose
- 7- Luckily, A grade 9 students failed the previous mid-term exams.  
**A) no**  
B) any  
C) none  
D) many

- 8- Doha was the city **D** Asian Games 2006 were held.  
A) that  
B) who  
C) which  
**D) where**
- 9- Muslims **A** Islam rules and instructions from PROPHET MUHAMMAD, PBUH.  
**A) got**  
B) gets  
C) getting  
D) was getting
- 10- I **A** to travel to Oman next week.  
**A) want**  
B) wants  
C) wanted  
D) wanting
- 11- I always have some sleep **D** 2.00pm and 3.00pm.  
A) in  
B) at  
C) off  
**D) between**
- 12- Omar has **A** enemies at all. Everyone likes and respects him so much.  
**A) no**  
B) any  
C) many  
D) a lot of
- 13- Islamic Art Museum is the place **C** people enjoy Islamic culture and heritage.  
A) who  
B) which  
**C) where**  
D) whose

**✚ Do as shown between the brackets...**

- 1- Abdullah \_\_\_\_\_ (go) swimming with friends yesterday. (Correct the verb)  
- Abdullah **went** swimming with friends yesterday.
- 2- Abdel Rahman has been a teacher since 2011. (Use: for)  
- Abdel Rahman has been a teacher **for 3 years**.
- 3- Ahmad was doing exercises when his mobile rang. (Use: while)  
- **While** Ahmad **was doing** exercises, his mobile **rang**.
- 4- It's really good to do the washing-up before bedtime. (Use: should)  
- **You/We should do** the washing-up before bedtime.
- 5- As I was jogging, it \_\_\_\_\_ (rain) heavily. (Correct the verb)  
- As I was jogging, it **was raining** heavily.
- 6- Mohammad \_\_\_\_\_ (go) fishing last weekend. (Correct the verb)  
- Mohammad **went** fishing last weekend.
- 7- Salman has worked in Mecca since 2011. (Use: for)  
- Salman has worked in Mecca **for 3 years**.
- 8- I was doing a practice test when the phone rang loudly. (Use: while)  
- **While** I **was doing** a practice test, the phone **rang** loudly.
- 9- It's very good to do activities in class. (Use: should)  
- **You/We should do** activities in class.
- 10- Things \_\_\_\_\_ (go) wrong in the party yesterday. (Correct the verb)  
- Things **went wrong** in the party yesterday.
- 11- Mohammad has worked as an English Language Teacher since 2011. (Use: for)  
- Mohammad has worked as an English Language Teacher **for 3 years**.
- 12- While Ali \_\_\_\_\_ (study), someone knocked on the door. (Correct the verb)  
- **While** Ali **was studying**, someone **knocked** on the door.
- 13- Amr was doing domestic chores when the doorbell rang. (Use: While)  
- **While** Amr **was doing** domestic chores, the doorbell **rang**.
- 14- It's extremely good to do well at school. (Use: should)  
- **You/We should do** well at school.
- 15- As Omar was doing the prayer, his father came back home. (Use: when)  
- Omar **was doing** the prayer **when** his father **came** back home.

WRITING

- ✚ Write an informal email in 12 complete sentences, giving a friend your latest news.

Hi Mohammad,

It is nice to write to you. I have some good news to tell you. My father bought me a new laptop.

I really use the new laptop very well. I use it in studying lessons. I do homework online. I also get information from the internet. I read articles about good topics. I have an account on Google to send and receive emails. I have some software programs about making videos. Having a laptop is amazing.

How about you? Write back soon and tell me your news.

Bye for now,

Ahmad

**OR**

Hi Mohammad,

How are you? I hope you are ok. I am writing to tell you my latest news.

I went to London last week. I went with my family. We went by plane. We stayed in a good hotel. I visited Big Ben. I could ride London Eye. I did some shopping. I got gifts for you.

I was happy. It was a nice trip. We stayed for a week. How about you? Tell me your latest news.

Bye for now,

Ahmad

 Write 12 complete sentences, describing a place you saw.

I visited many nice places in the last few years. Katara was one of the best places I visited. It is on the gulf coast in Doha. I went there last summer holiday. I went with my family for fun.

In the morning, we went to Katara beach. It was cool. The sea water was clear. In the evening, we went to Katara village. They had events every day. We attended lovely parties. We also went to some festivals.

I felt happy and comfortable. We all enjoyed great time there. Katara is an interesting place to visit all around the year.

**OR**

I visited many nice places. Souq Waqif was the best place. It is on Doha Corniche. It is open for about 17 hours a day.

There are lots of cafes and restaurants. There, people can buy all types of presents from shops. Women can get gold objects. Children have places for playing. There is a big mosque to do the prayer.

Souq waqif has many events through the year. Tourists always visit this lovely place. People enjoy history and present of Qatar in Souq Waqif.