

The First Term Test of English

Reading: Read the text below carefully to understand its meaning:

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Subject: Our Trip to the U.K

Dear Leila

Greetings from England. We came to England ten days ago and spent a week in London. We visited many places of interest **there**. First, we took a river boat along the Thames and saw some of London's greatest sights including Tower Bridge, Westminster Abbey and Big Ben.

Then, we went to Buckingham Palace where we watched the Changing of the Guard.

After that, we caught a train to Scotland and toured the Scottish Highlands. We rode horses in the beautiful countryside and saw some wonderful places. We also met many friendly Scottish people.

Sometimes, we did not understand their Scottish accent! You know; Scottish men used to wear kilts (traditional skirts) but **they** wear them only for special occasions.

Finally, we returned to the capital and started exploring London again. We will tell you more about it another time.

Love

Salah and Sherif.

I- Comprehension:

1- **Tick (✓) the correct answer:** Salah and Sherif wrote their e-mail in order to:

- a) Know more about the UK.
- b) Tell Leila about their visit to the UK.
- c) Ask Leila to go for a trip to the UK.

2- **Say whether these statements true or false according to the text:**

- a – Salah and Sherif spent two weeks in London.
- b – Salah and Sherif visited many places in Spain.
- c – Salah and Sherif watched the Changing of the Guard in Buckingham Palace
- d – Salah and Sherif toured the Scottish Highlands by a train.

3- **Answer the following questions according to the text:**

A- How many weeks did Salah and Sheriff spend in London?

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B- What did Salah and Sherif do in Buckingham?

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C- Do Scottish men always wear kilts?

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4- **Say what or who do the underlined words refer to in the text:**

There (§1):.....

They (§4):.....

II/ Text Exploration:

1- Find in the text words that are close in meaning to the following:

a- salutations (§1) =

b- kind (§3) =

2- Pick out from the text an adjective which means: **very pleasant** \Longrightarrow

3- Combine the following pairs of sentences with the connectors: ‘so as to’ and ‘in order not to’.

A- Salah and Sherif like to explore other cultures. They don’t want to become narrow-minded.

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B- Salah and Sherif visited London. They wanted to know about the British culture.

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Writing: social media are becoming more and more popular among teenagers. Use the following notes to write a **short paragraph** about the advantages and disadvantages of social media.

Advantages: *communicate with friends. *know about the other cultures.

Disadvantages: *waste time. *become addicted.

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