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1st Term Examination

Name : .....

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A/ Comprehension: Read the text then do the activities (7pts)

Historical Sites are a record of a specific set of events at a specific place at a specific point in time. Sites reflect human behavior and can tell the story of the past people who lived here. **They** can be used to reconstruct how human groups adapted to changing conditions, past life ways, past economies, past technologies, past trade and political processes. Archaeological sites give the past a "voice".

The African continent has long been inhabited by ancient civilizations and has some amazing historical sites to show for **it**.

During the later part of the old Stone Age, humans in Africa produced some of the earliest and most significant examples of prehistoric art. Paintings on stone slabs, found in Namibia, date from nearly 30,000 years ago. Rock and cave paintings survive from widely separated areas.

At much the same time North Africa becomes the site of one of the world's first great civilizations, Egypt. From the boy-king's glitzy tomb to the Rosetta stone, which was written by a council of priests, to the pyramids at Giza, to papyri holding gospels and magical spells, **it** holds a vast and mysterious trove of history with interesting stories to tell. Archaeologists continue to discover these ancient sites and artifacts.

Thebes is one of the famed cities of antiquity. **Its** remains, some of which date back to the 11th dynasty (2081–1939 BCE) of ancient Egypt, lie on both sides of the Nile River in what is now the modern-day country of Egypt. The Thebes area also includes the archaeologically rich sites of Luxor, the Valley of the Kings, the Valley of the Queens, and Karnak. The remains found at these sites—including impressive temples, palaces, and royal tombs—provide a view of the architecture, religious customs, and daily life of ancient Egypt.

(BCE: Before Common Era / Before Christian Era)

Source: https://www.livescience.com

1. Circle the best answer: (0.5pt)
   The text is taken from: a) a book b) a magazine article c) a web site
2. Are the following statements true or false? Correct the false ones. (2pts)
   a) A historical site is the testimony of how ancient people used to live.
      .....
   b) Very few sites are found in Africa.
      .....
   c) Archeologists found so many discoveries that they stopped searching.
      .....
   d) Thebes is an Ancient town of Ancient Egyptian civilization.
      .....
3. Answer the following questions according to the text: (3pts)
   a) What are the historical sites informing us about?
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   b) What kind of old stone age remains can be found in Africa?
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   c) Did Thebes give us more information about Ancient Egypt? justify
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4. What or who do the words in bold refer to? (1pts)
   They (§1):…….. it (§2): ……..
   it (§4):…….. its(§5):……..
5. Choose a suitable title to the text: (0.5pt)
   a) The importance of historical sites.
   b) The History of Egypt.
   c) The Stone Age in Africa

B/ Text Exploration: (8pts)

1. Find in the text words closest in meaning to: (1.5pt)
   Commerce(§1)= …… discovered(§3)= …….. big (§4)= ……..
2. Complete the table below: (1.5pts)

Verb	Noun	Adjective
To reconstruct		
	Civilization	
		Significant

3. Give the correct form of the verbs: (3 pts)
   a) During the old stone age, people (paint) …….. On rocks and caves.
   b) Archaeologists (discover) …….. a lot of remains in Thebes.
   c) When people (find) …….. Thebes , they (start)……searching for other sites.
   d) Ancient people (paint) …….. On rocks until they (make)…….. paper.

4. Rewrite sentence (b) so that it means the same as sentence (a) (1pts)
   1) a. Although archaeologists discovered a lot of remains, some events are still a mystery for them.
      b. Despite ……
   2) a. The number of historical sites is sufficient to understand the history of any civilization.
      b. We have …….. historical sites to understand the history of any civilization.

5. Classify the following words according to the pronunciation of "ch": (1pt)

   Changing – Archaeology – Rich – Architecture

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Part two: Written Expression: (5pts) **Write a composition on one of the two topics:**

Topic one: Write about Ancient Egyptian lifestyle. Use the following notes:
(Powerful pharaohs forced the people to labor at constructing pyramids and temples, belief of eternal life, farming ability and big supply of food, variety of sports and games, worshiping pharaohs)

Topic two: Discuss the following quote:
"Discover how to visit the past and bring yesterday's stories into our lives today"
— Gillian Hovell, 'Visiting the Past'

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