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7- Reading Comprehension (15 marks)

1- Circle the right option (1 mark)

This text is:

- Descriptive
- Expository
- Argumentative

2- Correct the false statements (4 marks)

A strong economy must focus just on one sector.

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Foreign investments in tourism help local hotels to grow.

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Young people are not affected by tourists 'lifestyle

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The governments must not control tourist trade.

3-Find words in the text meaning the same as: (3marks)

Provide:

Less prestigious:

Breathtaking:

4- What do the underlined words refer to: (2 marks)

They:

Their:

5- Complete the following paragraph with words from the text

Tourism raises a controversial issue. Some believe that it is positive while others think that it is..... . It..... to the economy. But sometimes it causes some..... . That's why, making a..... is necessary.

6- How can we preserve our identity?

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99- Language (10 marks)

1-Put the words between parentheses in the right form or tense (4 marks)

For almost two thousands of years the symbols and inscriptions which had been carved onto the great monuments of ancient Egypt **(be)**..... a complete mystery. They were obviously a kind of **(write)**, but nobody knew what they meant. Then, in 1799, a strange stone **(discover)** by a French officer in the small **(Egypt)**town of Rosetta. It had three types of writing carved into **(it)** surface. One of the languages was Greek but the other two were **(know) un**..... A year later the stone was captured and moved to the British Museum in London. For twenty years the stone lay gathering dust in the museum. Then in 1822 a French**(science)**.....named Jean François was asked to look at the stone. He **(immediate)** recognized that some of the symbols matched those he had seen on monuments in Egypt

2- Circle the right option (3 marks)

Arab's most outstanding **(performance- perform- performing)** was probably in the field of mathematic, in which they **(introduced- introduce- have introduced)** our present system of writing units, tens, hundreds and thousands and so on. Modern mathematics, and thus modern science, **(must-could-should)** never have been discovered if the cumbrous Roman way of writing numbers had remained in use. **(Having-had- to have)** introduced those numerals which we still call Arabic, the Arabs **(go- went-going)** on to invent logarithms, algebra and trigonometry. In the same manner, they studied the medical writings of the Greeks and improved upon their **(know- knowledge-knowing)** and their methods.

3- Use 6 words to complete the paragraph (3 marks)

A glover/although /Genius/ unrealized /has captured /our /private/educated

Shakespeare's plays and poems are familiar to us all. But his private world – and his astounding - remain a mystery even today. In the thousands of years before him, and four hundred years since, no writer..... the heart and admiration of the human race as has William Shakespeare. His plays have enlargedcomprehension of those inner forces that drive and haunt, agonize and madden people. Yet we know little of his..... world and the source of his astounding genius. We do not have a single letter or memoir of his own hand. battalions of experts have devoted their lives to dissecting his plays and poems, their hopes have gone.....

There are two different, and even opposite aspects of tourism. One is positive. The tourist industry supplies our region with many jobs. We cannot rely on natural resources to develop industry here. So, the money from tourists is welcome. Holiday-makers have greatly contributed to the economic growth of our region. Modern hotels have been built, towns have been made more attractive, picturesque sites are being protected, facilities for summer sports have been improved and then the natives can enjoy all these renovations all year long. But we can also observe several negative points. Big hotels often belong to international chains, so that **they** supply the locals with menial jobs whereas the managerial positions are held by new comers. Moreover, the local hotels and restaurants, handicapped by a lack of capital cannot compete with such big organizations. Besides, many local trades and activities have disappeared because of tourists. It is so much easier and more rewarding to take tourists for a boat trip that many young people don't feel like earning their living the hard way as fisherman any more. Holiday-makers spend so much money on their own pleasures that it gives the natives the wrong idea of what life is like in other parts of the country, and they feel dissatisfied with **their** own lot. And I have not yet spoken of the numerous troubles caused by tourists and campers. Many of them ruin sites by leaving their garbage around: broken bottles, empty cans, greasy papers. They often harm trees to make camp-fires that sometimes get out of control and burn down whole forests.

To wrap up, the governments should have a clear strategy to maximize the gains and to minimize the losses. In other words, it is quite important to make our country terribly touristy but not at the expense of our identity and cultural aspects.