Test answer key : Reading a history text

Arabic B2

Answer key and marking scheme for the test on "Reading a history text" (Arabic B2), with the 20 points broken down.

Time : 45 min
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Exercise 1 Vocabulary (4 pts)

Translate into Arabic.

1. civilisation
   → **حَضارَة**
2. scholars
   → **عُلَماء**
3. medicine
   → **طِبّ**
4. remains
   → **آثار**

Marking : 1 point per correct answer.

Exercise 2 The passive in a history text (4 pts)

Put into the passive.

1. تَرْجَمَ العُلَماءُ كِتابًا.
   → **تُرْجِمَ كِتابٌ.**
2. بَنى النّاسُ مَكْتَبَةً.
   → **بُنِيَتْ مَكْتَبَةٌ.**
3. يَزورُ النّاسُ الآثارَ.
   → **تُزارُ الآثارُ.**
4. نَقَلَ الطُّلّابُ الكُتُبَ.
   → **نُقِلَتِ الكُتُبُ.**

Marking : 1 point per correct answer.

Exercise 3 Aim and narrative past (4 pts)

Complete with لِـ + subjunctive or كانَ + accusative.

1. قَصَدَها الطُّلّابُ _____ الطِّبَّ. (تَعَلَّمَ / هُمْ)
   → لِيَتَعَلَّموا
2. كانَتِ المَدينَةُ _____ . (كَبيرَة)
   → كَبيرَةً
3. ذَهَبْتُ _____ كِتابًا. (قَرَأَ / أَنا)
   → لِأَقْرَأَ
4. كانَ العُلَماءُ _____ . (مَشْهورونَ)
   → مَشْهورينَ

Marking : 1 point per correct answer.

Exercise 4 Translation (4 pts)

Translate into Arabic.

1. In the Middle Ages Cordoba was a big city.
   → كانَتْ قُرْطُبَةُ في العُصورِ الوُسْطى مَدينَةً كَبيرَةً.
2. It was famous for its libraries.
   → اِشْتُهِرَتْ بِمَكْتَباتِها.

Marking : 2 points per correct answer.

Exercise 5 Writing (4 pts)

Write three sentences about an old town (with كانَ, a passive and a time marker).

1. Free answer.
   → مِثال: كانَتِ المَدينَةُ صَغيرَةً. بُنِيَتْ فيها مَكْتَبَةٌ. ما زالَتْ مَفْتوحَةً إِلى اليَوْمِ.

Marking : 1 point per element done well (كانَ, passive, time marker) + 1 point for overall accuracy.

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