

In the name of Allah the most kindly & merciful

Level : 2AS - S,M,TM,G

El-Kendy Secondary School

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Timing : 2 hours

English Third Term Exam

Part One :

Text :

Charities are independent organisations that help the poor , the homeless , children , old people and animals. They are involved with human rights , education , medical researches and conservation of environment.

In 1997 , there were about 180 000 charities in Britain , with a total income of 18 billion £ . Many charities that are now well-known throughout the world , such as **Oxfam** and **Amnesty International** , began in Britain. Americans are also enthusiastic supporters of charities ; in 1995 ,they gave over 116 billion \$. Oxfam has aid programmes to help poor people overseas , especially the victims of natural disasters. Other well-known charities working in Britain include **Barnado's** ; which helps children , and **Age concern** and **Help the Aged** which support old people. **Shelter** provides food and place to stay for the homeless and the jobless.

Nearly every town in Britain has one charity shop. These shops are run by volunteer staff and sell second-hand clothes , books and goods in low prices in aid of charity. The traditional method of collecting money is to organise a flag day. Volunteers stand in busy streets asking members of public to put money in a collecting tin. In exchange, they are given a sticker to be put on coat lapels. In recent years , the Telethon has proved an effective method of fund-raising. During an evening of popular TV programmes , television stars ask the public to telephone and promise money to the charities involved. Other fund-raising activities include fets and jumbled sales.

Comprehension :

1/ ***Are the following statements true , false or not mentioned ?***

- a- *There are 2 million homeless people in the world.*
- b- *In 1995 , British donated more than 116 billion dollars.*
- c- *Nearly every town in Britain has at least one charity shop.*
- d- *Charities are environmental organisations that provide aid to people in need.*

2/ **Answer the questions according to the text :**

- a- *What is the role of a charity ?*
- b- *How do volunteers collect money ?*
- c- *How does the Telethon collect money for charities ?*
- d- *Mention four charities working in Britain from the text.*

3/ *What / who do the underlined words refer to in the text ?*

- a- *They* (§2) b- *Which* (§2)

4/ *Suggest a title for the text .*

Text Exploration :

1/ *Find in the text the following :*

- a- A synonym of *preservation*.
b- An opposite to *ancient*.

2/ *Which adjectives can be derived from the following words ?*

Charity - wealth .

3/ *Rewrite sentence 'b' so that it means the same as sentence 'a' :*

- 1- a- " *Which charities have you supported ?*"
b- *They asked us*
- 2- a- *People often buy charity cards.*
b- *Charity cards*
- 3- a- *You ought to work hard , otherwise you may fail your exam.*
b- *You'd better*

4/ *Give the correct form of the verb between brackets :*

- *If she (not hurry) , she 'll be late to school.*

5/ *Reorder the following words to get a coherent sentence :*

To / federation / crescent / bring / the / seeks / international / to/ wounded / the / Red / assistance.

6/ *Classify the following words according to their final " ed " :*

Helped - provided - involved - promised .

Part Two :

Choose one of the following topics :

Topic 1 :

Using the following notes , write a composition on the following topic " The role of charities " : fund raising / collecting food aid / helping with medical care / providing assistance in emergency situations.

Topic 2 :

Imagine you're a newspaper reporter and you're asked to cover a disaster event. Write a report about that .

Good luck