

## Second Term Exam of English

### Part One: Reading.

(15 Points)

#### A- Comprehension:

(07 pts)

Read the text carefully then do the following activities:

We are taught the importance of ethics and morals from a very early age. We are taught right from wrong- that stealing, lying, cheating and bullying are things that bad people do while caring for others, working hard, respecting the rules and taking care of the environment are some of the fundamentals of being a “good person”. But how do those ethics we learn in the early stages of our childhood relate to business? How can big companies ensure that their businesses are operating in an ethical way and why is it even important?

Writing for Forbes last year, CEO of the Institute for High-Character Leadership, Bruce Weinstein argued that “The principles of ethics that help us solve ethical dilemmas in everyday life are the same principles that provide guidance in business, health care, law and education” and he cited “ 1. Do not harm, 2. Make things better, 3. Respect others, 4. Be fair and 5. Care” as those key principles.

Maintaining good practices and strong business ethics should be a key consideration for all organisations, whatever the size, for numerous reasons, but the first and foremost is reputation. A positive reputation is an invaluable asset and once lost, it is incredibly difficult to rebuild.

<http://bee-midtown.com/ethics- importance- business/>

1. Write the letter that corresponds to the right answer.

A. The text is ..... a- an extract from a book b- a survey c- a web article

2. Are the following statements true or false.

- a- People are taught to be ethical from infancy.
- b- Good persons break the rules.
- c- Neither everyday life nor business has the same principles of ethics.
- d- Reputation plays an important role in business.

3. Fill in the table with information from the text

Ethical practices	Unethical practices
- .....	- .....
- .....	- .....

4. Answer the following questions according to the text.

- a- What advice does the author give to organizations?
- b- What will happen if an organization loses its reputation?

5. In which paragraph is it mentioned that our daily life and business have similar principles.

6. What or who do the underlined words refer to in the text?

- a- their (§1)
- b- it (§3)

**B/ Text Exploration:****(08 points)****1. Find in the text words or phrases that are opposite in meaning to:**

a- Weak (§3) =/=.....    b- Few (§3) =/=.....    c- Found (§3) =/=.....

**2. Complete the chart as shown in the example.**

	Verb	Noun	Adjective
<b>Example</b>	To elect	election	elected
	To harm	.....	.....
	.....	organization	.....
	.....	.....	considered

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

- 1) a. Businessmen should give much importance for ethics.  
b. Much importance .....
- 2) a. Governments should pass strict laws against corrupt people.  
b. It's high time.....
- 3) a. If you behave ethically, your business will prosper.  
b. Unless .....

**4. Classify the following words according to the number of their syllables**

importance - solve - business - ethics

One syllable	Two syllables	Three syllables

**5. Fill in the blanks with only four words from the list given:**

ethical - integrity - if - fight - worked

It's our responsibility to .....1..... embezzlement and other unethical practices. It's high time we .....2..... hand in hand so as to put an end to immoral behaviour. ....3..... we all cooperate and keep our probity and .....4....., we can succeed.

**Part Two: Written Expression****(05 points)****Choose ONE of the following topics.**

**Topic one:** Corruption is an unethical practice that we must fight. Using the following notes, write a composition of about 80 to 120 stating what should the international community do to eradicate corruption.

- High level of responsibility, integrity and honesty.
- Careful collaboration between public authorities and organizations.
- Clear and stringent (strict) anti-corruption laws and policies.
- The United Nations should sign a document against corruption.

**Topic Two:** Millions of children all around the world leave school to work. Write a short essay of about 80 to 120 words in which you state the measures that should be taken to reduce or stop this kind of abuse.

*Good luck*