

Read the following text that describes one of Lebanon's attractions, Jeita Grotto, and then answer the questions that follow.

### Jeita Grotto

1. Jeita is an extraordinary cave that delights every visitor. It is visited by tourists from all over the world because it is truly one of the wonders of the world. Jeita is located near the eastern shore of the Mediterranean Sea, a few miles north of Beirut in the most beautiful evergreen valley of Lebanon. In fact, there are very few caves visited in the world that are as astounding as Jeita.
2. The story of its discovery is quite interesting. In 1836 an American hunter named Thompson was hiding in a small cave-entrance. He was attracted by the sound of water coming from underground. He followed the sound and came upon an underground lake. He fired his gun, and the countless echoes told him that he was in a huge cave. He did not explore farther, but his visit marked the discovery of Jeita.
3. Later expeditions took cave-explorers over six kilometers into the caves, but there is no reason to believe that the limit has been reached. Since 1955 the Department of Tourism has organized boat rides in the caves and has brought out astonishing colors and shapes of ancient limestone deposits.
4. Today, the minute visitors get into the boats, they find themselves in dreamlike surroundings. Moreover, The limestone deposits can be seen in all imaginable shapes and colors. Sometimes they are like umbrellas, mushrooms, and statues of humans, piles of dishes or chandeliers hanging from above.
5. Finally, no description can give a true picture of the wonders that the visitor enjoys when he is in these huge caves. This amazing work of nature, formed over many centuries, has few equals anywhere in the world.

A. Answer the following questions in complete sentences of your own: (3pts.)

1. What is the author's purpose of this text?
2. Where is Jeita Grotto located ?
3. Provide the text with another title. Explain
4. Introduce Thompson in a sentence?
5. How well known are the caves now?
6. Have you ever visited the caves? (If yes, give your impressions. If not, would you like to go and why?

B. Copy the following chart on to your double sheet then supply the correct paragraph number(s) where each heading can be located in the text. (3 pts.)

Headings	Paragraph Number(s)
The incredible delights of the cave.	
Jeita's location	
Jeita's discovery	

C. The following statements are false. Rewrite each statement so that it agrees with what the writer states in the text. (1.5pts.)

1. Many caverns in the world approach the spectacular beauty of those of Jeita.
2. Six-kilometers in the cave were the limit that could be reached.
3. This unique work of nature has many equals in the world.

D. Choose from paragraphs 1, 2 or 3 a synonym for each of the following words: (3pts.)

- a. Exceptional; astonishing
- b. repeats
- c. journeys for a certain purposes

E. The chart below shows the number of visitors to three tourist sites in Lebanon. Read the table carefully, and then answer the following questions: (4pts.)

Site	Number of visitors
Baalbek	60,000
Beiteddine	40,000
Jeita	140,000

1. Compare the number of visitors of each tourist site.
2. Why do you think Jeita has the highest rate of tourists?

F. Each of the following sentences contains ONE grammatical error. Identify the error and correct it. (2pts.)

1. Jeita cave is one of the more beautiful wonders of the nature.
2. The cave are nature's most astounding wonders.
3. The cave is delightful to all toorists.
4. Going to Jeita by car don't cost a visitor too much money.

G. Convert passage into the simple past tense. 4 pts

I am running towards you, but you are bolting in the opposite direction.

They are calling us, from the other side of the field. Ali is hiding away in the wooded area, on the far side of the football field, but Amy sees him and chases him.

Part Two : Writing (score: 10/30)

Write a short story about a fun day or trip you took during the summer. Make sure to draw a story map first and fill it in with all the details about your story.

