



GRADE FIVE - LISTENING SCRIPT- SEMESTER ONE- FIRST SESSION

(Practice Exam - Unit 2: Then and Now) - Prepared by Mohamed Mostafa Al Shorbagy, Regional Supervisor, Wusta Governorate

LISTENING 1

(You will hear five short conversations about then and now.)

One:

F: *What are you doing, Ahmed?*

M: *I'm writing a letter to my grandmother in Nizwa. She doesn't have a computer or a smartphone.*

F: *A letter! Why don't you send her an email?*

M: *She likes real letters. She keeps them all in a box. Years ago, everyone wrote letters like this.*

Two:

M: *Look at this old telephone, Noor. It was in my grandfather's house.*

F: *It's very big! Could he carry it to work?*

M: *No, he couldn't. It was very heavy, and it stayed on the table.*

F: *Now we have small mobile phones. We can carry them everywhere!*

Three:

M: *Is that your new computer, Khalid?*

M: *Yes! It's much faster than my old one. My father bought it yesterday.*

M: *Wow! My father had a very big computer ten years ago. It was slow and very heavy.*

M: *Now computers are small and fast. I do all my homework on mine.*

Four:

M: *What is this, Sara?*

F: *It's my grandfather's old radio. He listened to the news and songs on it every evening.*

M: *Did it play CDs too?*

F: *Yes, it did. But now he listens to everything on his mobile phone. He says the phone is much easier.*

Five:

M: *What is that, Omar?*

M: *It's my new e-reader. I have fifty books on it!*

M: *Fifty books! Isn't it heavy?*

M: *No, it isn't. It's thin and light, so I can carry all my books everywhere. Years ago, people carried heavy bags full of books.*

(231 words) (Target Range: Each Text :40-50 words)

LISTENING 2

(An interview between a school radio presenter and Said.)

- Woman:** *Hello, Said. Welcome to our school radio. I hear your class went on a trip.*
- Said:** *Yes! We went to the museum in Manah last Saturday.*
- Woman:** *That's nice. What did you see there?*
- Said:** *We saw many interesting things: ancient tools, old photographs and beautiful paintings.*
- Woman:** *Did you like the paintings?*
- Said:** *Yes, they were my favourite thing. One painting was two hundred years old.*
- Woman:** *How much was the ticket?*
- Said:** *It was free for students, so we were very happy!*
- Woman:** *Did you go by bus?*
- Said:** *Yes, the bus took one hour. Our teacher told us about the museum on the way.*
- Woman:** *Will you write a report about the trip?*
- Said:** *Yes, I will write it tomorrow at home. Then I will give it to my teacher on Sunday.*
- Woman:** *Great! Thank you, Said.*

(128 words) (Target Range: 125 - 150 words)