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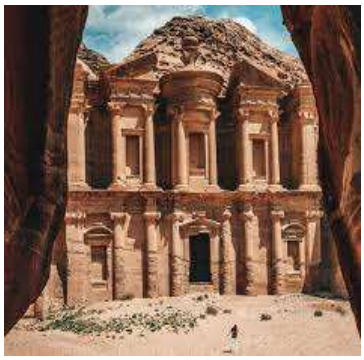
First Term English Test

Text: **Petra the Lost City of Stones**



Named as one of the seven wonders of modern world, "**Petra**" also called "**The lost city of stone**", is the greatest tourist attraction in Jordan and one of the world's famous historical sites.

Petra is an ancient city carved into stones in the mountains of Jordan. It is situated 260 kilometers southern the capital Amman between the Dead Sea and the Red Sea.

The history of "**Petra**" started with ***Nomadic Arab people***. They first lived in tents they carved houses in stones of the mountains. They practiced trade and commerce.

The city of **Petra** was the home for about 30.000 people including Romans, Nabateans and businessmen from different parts of the ancient world. The best-known of the monuments at Petra is the "Khazneh" or "Treasury" where tombs and temples of ancient kings are kept.

"**Petra**" was destroyed and fell into ruins, in 106 AD by an earthquake. It was unknown until a Swiss explorer "Johan Ludwig" discovered it, in 1812. The lost city was designed as a World Heritage site by UNESCO, in 1985.

Adapted from different sources

Part one: (14pts.)

A) Reading comprehension: Read the text then do the following tasks (7pts.)

Activity one: Complete the fact file about Petra (3pts.)

Landmark	Location	Date of construction	Date of discovery	Date of inscription by NESCO	Materials
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Activity two: Answer the following questions (2pts.)

1-Is Petra one of the Seven Wonders of the world?

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2-How was the city destroyed?

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Activity three: lexis (2pts)

a) Find in the text words or expressions that ae closest in meaning to the following: (1pt.)

Well-known( )1=…… Located=(2)……..

b) Find in the text words or expressions that are opposite in meaning to the following: (1pt.)

Last=/=(3)…….. Built=/=(5)……

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B) Mastery of language: (7pts.)

Activity one: Spot the mistakes and write the corrected sentence (2pts.)

The Eiffel tower was one of the most iconic landmark in the world. It is built on 1889, in Paris, France.

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Activity two: Turn the following sentences into the passive form (3pts.)

1- France gifted the Statue of Liberty to the United States, in 1886.

The Statue of Liberty……

2- Over than 8 million of tourists visited Oran, last summer.

Oran……

3- The Swiss explorer Johan Ludwig discovered Petra, in 1812.

Petra……

Activity three: Match the words that have the same rhyme (2pts)

A	B
Guide	Town
Founded	Design
Make	City
Tourist	Located

Part two: (6pts.)

Situation of Integration:

You were surfing a tourism page to design a leaflet about landmarks in Algeria on the occasion of the World Tourism Day. Many articles about international landmarks attracted your attention you want to show the tourists all over the world that your beloved country, Algeria, has fascinating landmarks, too.

Write a short paragraph about a famous landmark in your country and share it on that web page. You can mention:

- The landmark's name
- Its location
- Its description
- When was it built

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Best of luck

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