## LISTENING 1 (Items 1-5) (5 marks)

You are going to hear five people speaking. What are they taking about?? Listen and for each item, shade in the bubble  $\bigcirc$  under the correct option.

- 1- It is where large numbers of people usually travel or go on holiday. Usually large tour companies sell cheap holidays to popular destinations where people stay in large hotels and resorts to relax and enjoy.
- 2- Come and see people from around the country demonstrating their skills- pottery making from Bahla, copper bowls from Batinah, weaving from Sharqiya, silver work from Dakhliyah and more. Here you can try to make things yourself.
- 3- We asked 60 German university students about the best holidays jobs they had ever done. During the interviews, they claimed that study and work did mix. They said having jobs made them more responsible and helped them develop respect for money.
- 4- These are not just for children! They are used all around the world in celebrations, festivals, performances and plays. Giant dragon ones in China which are used to celebrate the new year, can be 5 meters long.
- 5- Languages reflects the ideas and values of any nation culture. It is not just details and words which are lost if a language dies out. That's why we should do our best to keep our language alive.

## LISTENING 2 (Items 6-10) (5 marks)

You are going to hear a storynamed"**An honest man**."

Listen and for each item, write a <u>short</u> answer (**not more than FOUR WORDS**).

This tale is from the Middle East. It's about a beggar who found a bag containing a hundred of gold coins. Just as he found the bag, a rich man shouted out noisily that he had lost a bag of money and offered a reward to anyone who found it. Being honest, the beggar took the bag with its all money to the rich man and asked him for his reward. The rich man rudely told the beggar that he wouldn't give him a reward, because the bag he had lost had two hundred gold coins in it. He told the beggar impolitely that he would report him to the police for stealing.

The beggar insisted that he was honest and he had returned all the money. He said that they should go to the King, who could decide what to do. The rich man cautiously agreed to this.

They went to the King and explained both their stories. The wise King said that the bag found by the beggar couldn't be the same bag the rich man had lost, because they had different amount of money. Confidently, he decided to give all the money to the beggar.