

Reading



Now dear student read the passage carefully to answer the questions:

و الآن عزيزي الطالب اقرأ القطعة التالية جيداً لتستطيع الإجابة عن الأسئلة

Read the following passage then answer the questions.

The history of Spain tells us that East and West met for almost 800 years. They sometimes fought, but there was real contact between cultures. When the Muslims arrived in 711, they took the country over very quickly. They came with new ideas, and they completely changed the land that they called Al-Andalus. With new crops and better ways of farming, Al-Andalus soon grew rich. Muslims set up their capital in Cordoba. Here, **they** built beautiful mosques and palaces, and the city became as important as Baghdad. Al-Andalus became a centre of the Islamic World and *the* centre of civilization in Europe. Its science, medicine, architecture, arts and crafts became famous. Al-Khatib found out how people pass diseases on. Here, Al-Zahrawi worked out many new medical operations. Students in both East and West studied the work of people like these for centuries, and we still remember them today. Spain is now a busy, modern country. But walk the narrow streets of old Cordoba and visit Granada's amazing Alhambra Palace and gardens, and you will find a different Spain. Here, ancient Al-Andalus still lives.

(A) Read and mark the sentences true (✓) or false. (✗)

اجب بـصح أو خطأ:

1-The East and the West have never met.

(T F)

2-Muslims took over Spain in 711.

(T F)

3-Al-Khatib and Al-Zahrawi were famous for their new ideas in architecture.

(T F)

(B) Answer the following questions:

اقرأ القطعة ثم اجب على الاسئلة التالية:

1. Where did Muslims set up their capital?

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2. Does ancient Al Andalus still live in Spain?

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(C) Read again and find the following in the text.

east	×	
unreal	×	
slowly	×	
old	×	
worse	×	
poor	×	.....
ugly	×	.....
forget	×	.....
lost	×	.....
free	×	.....
ancient	×	.....
damaged	×	.....

true	=	.....
touch	=	.....
reached	=	.....
fast	=	.....
modern	=	.....
immediately	=	.....
lovely	=	.....
well-known	=	.....
hundreds of years	=	.....
illnesses	=	.....
crowded	=	.....

ابحث في
القطعة عن
عكس
الكلمات
التي في
العمود
الأيمن
وبمعنى
الكلمات
التي في
العمود
الأيمن:

(D) The underlined word (they) refers to :

على ماذا يشير الضمير they <<

(E) The best title for this passage is :

افضل عنوان للقطعة (سؤال مفتوح) <<

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