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Study Guide 18

Media Arabic, Business and Finance, Part 1

Practice Exercises

- Section 2 pp. 173-175:
 - Practice finding the orienting information in news excerpts related to business and finance on pp. 173-175. Learn the new vocabulary words.
 - Section 3 pp. 176-177: Read about connectors and how they can help you guess the function of different parts of the text of a news report.
 - Section 4 pp. 178-184:
 - Read and title the article excerpts on pp. 178-179, paying attention to the connectors and the function of each part of the text. Then list the stock exchange discussed in each excerpt and its status.
 - Reread the excerpts carefully to reply to questions 1 and 2.
 - Integrate the information in the articles by relating it to your own interests by responding to questions 3 and 4.
 - Read and title the article excerpts on pp. 181-182, paying attention to the connectors and the function of each part of the text. Then fill in the chart with information from the excerpts.
 - Reread the excerpts carefully to reply to questions 1 and 2.
 - Engage with the information you have read by responding to questions 3 and 4 about your critical and practical response.
 - Complete the GLOSS online language lesson "The Egyptian Pound and the Dollar" (http://gloss.dliflc.edu/products/gloss/ad_ecn203/default.html) to develop your listening skills.
 - **Prepare to discuss the audio news segment from the GLOSS lesson in your conversation session; think about it relates to events you have been reading about in the news.**
 - Write a news report (150 words) about the relationship of another Middle Eastern currency to the dollar using the vocabulary and elements of structure you have studied in this guide.
 - **Prepare to relate your news report orally and discuss issues involving international finance.**
 - **Prepare to relate one of the top news stories of the week in your conversation session.**
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Homework to Hand in

- Section 4, questions 3-4, p. 180
- Section 4, questions 1-4, pp. 183-184
- News report on a Middle Eastern currency in relation to the dollar (150 words)

Self Assessment

- I have completed Part 1 of "Business and Finance," pp. 173-184.
- I have practiced finding the orienting information in an article related to business and finance.
- I have exercised my listening skills by completing a series of exercises on an audio report on comparative currency values.
- I am able to write and orally deliver a news report related to business or finance.
- I have skimmed the top news stories in Arabic on a daily basis and I can relate a news story orally.
- I am able to discuss topics related to business and finance in Arabic with my conversation partners, drawing from oral and written Arabic press.

Conversation Session Partner Guide

- Have each of the students **relate one of the top news stories** of the week.
- **Engage the students in a discussion** about the GLOSS online language lesson: "**The Egyptian Pound and the Dollar**" (http://gloss.dliflc.edu/products/gloss/ad_ecn203/default.html). Have them **discuss the report in relation to events they have been reading about** in the news.
- Have the students **orally present the news reports** they have written. **Encourage each student to offer a discussion point** based on his or her news report. Then **facilitate a brief discussion on that topic among the students**.

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