

Unit 11 Congratulating التهنئة

1- Recovery: الشفاء

Ali has spent a month in hospital. After recovery he received many phone calls. His friend Samy is on the phone.

Sami: How're you Ali?

Ali: I'm fine, thank you. And how are you?

Sami: I'm well, thank you. Congratulations on your recovery. تهانئى على شفائك.

Ali: Thank you. Fortunately I survived على بحسب الحظ بقيت على the dangerous operation. قيد الحياة.

Sami: Who performed it?

Ali: Dr. Sadek Rushdy the famous surgeon الجراح المشهور.

Sami: How much did you pay for the operation العملية?

Ali: I didn't pay any money. The operation was performed at the Health Insurance Hospital in Nasr City.

Sami: This is very encouraging مشجع. How much is your contribution اشتراكك in this service خدمة.

Ali: One pays one percent of his salary or pension معاش to get this service.

Sami: Congratulations again. I hope you'll always enjoy good health.

2- Returning After a Pilgrimage: العودة من رحلة الحج

Mohammad Saleh went on a pilgrimage رحلة حج to Mecca. His friend Momen is talking to him.

Momen: Congratulations Mohammad. At last you've realized your dream حققت حلمك. I know that the

dearest wish أعز رغبة to you was to visit Mecca and Medina.

Mohammad: Thank God and thank you Momen. I hope you'll soon be able to go to Mecca. I hope I'll be able to accompany you. أصحبك

Momen: How was your journey?

Mohammad: Quite comfortable مريحة جداً. I went to Medina by plane بالطائرة and stayed three days there. It is a very beautiful quiet town. مدينة جميلة وهادئة

Momen: Then you went to Medina first.

Mohammad: Yes, our journey was rather short قصيرة إلى حد ما and the Greater Bairam عيد الأضحى was a few days later.

Momen: Where did you stay in Mecca?

Mohammad: Our group مجموعتنا put up at a hotel quite close to Al Haram and it was quite easy من السهل جداً to pray أن يصلى five times a day at Al Haram, thank God.

Momen: Congratulations and welcome back.

3- A Proposal: خطبة

Adel proposed to Noura خطب نورا. Her friend Hoda is congratulating her.

Hoda: Congratulations Noura. I'm glad for your proposal. خطبتك

Noura: Thank you Hoda. You know that I received many proposals of marriage.

Hoda: But you preferred فضلت to remain تظلي single عزباء.

Noura: Well, yes. I actually preferred to wait for a fiancé مناسب خطيب that is a good match مناسب for me.

Hoda: Oh, yes. This is a very wise of you شئ حكيم منك. This is better than accepting the first proposal and having an unsuccessful marriage زواج غير ناجح. By the way, how old is your fiancé?

Noura: He's three years older than me.

Hoda: What about your engagement party حفلة خطبتك?

Noura: Tomorrow Adel and I are going to the jeweler مجوهرات to buy some jewelry مجوهرات. The engagement party will be on Thursday 9th April.

Hoda: See you then. My regards to the family.

4- A Suitable Job: وظيفة مناسبة

Amin graduated from the Faculty of Arts كلية الآداب five years before. Finally, he was able to find a job that is suited to مناسب his specialization. His friend Hany who works as a teacher of English is talking to him.

Hany: Congratulations Amin. You finally got a suitable job عمل مناسب.

Amin: Thanks, Hany. You know I have a BA لسانس in Social Work الخدمة الاجتماعية and I didn't like to become a non-specialist teacher of English. مدرس لغة إنجليزية غير متخصص

Hany: Yes, it's better to have a job suited to مناسب one's specialisation التخصص. Any way, I wish you every success كل نجاح أتمنى لك

Where is your place of work? أين مقر عملك?

Amin: Toshka, the desert area المساحة الصحراء that is being reclaimed التي تستصلح at present. في الوقت الحاضر.

Hany: And what will you do at such a place في مثل هذا المكان?

Amin: I'll work as a social worker أخصائى اجتماعى in a company. My job will be to help workers العمال with special needs ذوى الاحتياجات الخاصة.

Hany: Good luck, Amin.

5- Research Work in the U.S.A.

Ahmad has been chosen اختير to travel to the U.S.A. to do some research work عمل بحق for a Ph.D. للحصول على درجة الدكتوراة. His colleague زميله Samir is talking to him.

Samir: Congratulations, Ahmad. I was pleased when I knew that you're going on a mission بعثة to the States الولايات المتحدة.

Ahmad: Thank you, Samir. I'll miss you all at the Faculty فى الكلية.

Samir: I know you're intelligent ذكى and you'll finish your research work and get your degree الدرجة in the shortest time possible. فى أقل وقت ممكن.

Ahmad: The minimum period is two years after obtaining the M.A. الماجستير.

Samir: When are you going to travel?

Ahmad: I don't know. I'll have to sit for the TOEFL test امتحان التوفل before I can travel to the U.S.A.

Samir: Yes. And you have to get a certain score. درجة معينة

Ahmad: The university I'll join يلحق requires a score of 400 marks.

Samir: Good luck.

Ahmad: Thanks, Samir.