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Each essay is worth 30% of the paper mark: *Al mutanabbi*

(a) ((شرُّ البِلاد مكانٌ لا صَديقَ بِه و شرُّ ما يَكسبُ الإنسانُ ما يَصِمُ)) ما معنى هذا البيت ولمَاذاَ ذكره الشاعر في قَصيدة واحرّ قلباه ؟ هل تتّفق مع الشاَعر ولماذا ؟

أو

(b) اشرح قصيدة من هذه القصائد الثلاث تتناول موضوع الشجاعة. هل أعجبتك أم لا ولماذا ؟

a/ *'the worst of lands is a place where there is no friend, and the worst thing a man can acquire if what dishonours him' This was said by the poet in the poem where al-Mutanabbi criticises Saif A-dawla for doing him wrong. Candidates should discuss either interpretation of the line of poetry in the context of Al-Mutanabbi's immediate experience or in the context of man's experience in general.*

b/ *Candidates would choose a poem and provide their opinions and reasons for their choice.*

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