LISTENING 1 (Items 1-7) (7 marks)

You are going to hear a conversation between a reporter, Salim, and an astronomer, Dr Maryam.
Listen, and shade in the bubble ⬭ next to the correct option.

1. Where does Dr Maryam study the stars?

⬭ **from Oman's mountains** ⬭ **from a space station** ⬭ **from a ship**

2. What is Jabal Shams famous for in the interview?

⬭ its forests ⬭ its dark skies ⬭ its hotels

3. How old was she when she got her first telescope?

⬭ seven ⬭ eleven ⬭ fifteen

4. What was the first thing she saw through it?

⬭ **Saturn** ⬭ **the moon** ⬭ **a galaxy**

5. What does she teach?

⬭ school children ⬭ university students ⬭ tourists

6. Why is Oman's location good for space science?

⬭ it is near the equator ⬭ it is near the sea ⬭ it is near Europe

7. What does she tell beginners to use first?

⬭ a big telescope ⬭ their eyes and an app ⬭ a camera

LISTENING 2 (Items 8-15) (8 marks)

You are going to hear a talk about stargazing in Oman.

Task one: Listen and for each item, write a short answer (not more than FOUR WORDS).

8. What fills the sky in big cities?

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9. When is the best stargazing season?

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10. How many planets can you see with your eyes?

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11. When is the school club trip to Jabal Shams?

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Task Two: Listen For each item, shade in the bubble ⬭ *to indicate whether the statement is True/False.*

	Statements	True	False
12.	**Children in big cities often never see the Milky Way.**	⬭	⬭
13.	**Mercury is the easiest planet to see.**	⬭	⬭
14.	**Meteor showers happen several times a year.**	⬭	⬭
15.	**Looking through the club telescopes costs money.**	⬭	⬭

LISTENING SCORE	
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