

## The text

### **Three-year-old 'genius' becomes one of the youngest people to be accepted into Mensa\*.**

When little Haryz uttered his first words at just seven months old, his mum Anira knew he was going to be special. By two, the youngster – whose full name is Muhammad Haryz Nadzim – was reading himself bedtime stories. By the time he was in nursery, he could read the whole of some of his favourite storybooks'. Now, the little brainbox has become the current youngest person to be accepted into Mensa, the global high IQ society.

'We didn't have much experience, so we just thought that's how kids were,' Anira tells Metro.co.uk. 'It was only when he started going to nursery, we were told he is more advanced than other children, then we realised that he was special. We didn't want him to feel under-stimulated. We wanted him to be a normal child who plays and does normal things that children do.'

After realising that Haryz could remember and recite entire stories at the age of two, his parents set up a YouTube channel called Little Haryz, so other children could watch and be encouraged. 'He is very much a three-year-old in every other sense,' Anira tells us. 'He enjoys jumping , painting, singing, all the normal stuff for a child of that age. 'Haryz loves to ask questions and talks about space and numbers, and he loves reading books.' What's even more remarkable about Haryz intellect and love of reading, is that English isn't even his first language. 'We communicate with him in the Malay language at home,' explains Anira.

Haryz has now been invited to join British Mensa after achieving an incredible IQ score of 142 on the Stanford Binet test . The family is delighted that Haryz has been accepted into Mensa, and they hope this is the first step in his journey towards further achievements. 'It's exciting and we are sure this will help him get little confidence in himself so he can better benefit society in the future, ' says his mother.

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( Adapted )

\*Mensa = It is the largest and oldest high IQ organization in the world .

\*IQ = Intellectual Quotient test designed to measure someone's intelligence.



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**A-Reading Comprehension** : ( 15 marks )

**1-Read p1 and complete the table with the missing information** .( 4 marks )

Name : Muhammed Haryz Nazim	
When	What
.....	He started speaking .
2 years old	.....
He was in nursery	.....
.....	He was accepted into Mensa .

**2-Read and correct these false statements using details from the text** . ( 3 marks )

a-From the beginning , the parents were sure that their son was not like the other children.(p2)

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b-The parents were so excited to have an exceptional child. ( p 2 )

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c-The boy speaks English well since it is his mother tongue.( p 3 )

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**3-Read and answer**. (2 marks )

a-How did the parents react when they knew that their child is a special boy ? ( p 3 )

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b-Is Anira, Haryz's mother a selfish woman ? Justify.

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**4-Read p 3 and write down 2 details showing that Haryz is a special kid** .( 2 marks )

a-.....

b-.....



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**5-Read and look for words meaning.** ( 2 marks )

a-Present = .....( p 1 )

b- Unbelievable = .....( p 4 )

**6- What does the underlined word in the text refer to?** ( 1 mark )

This ( p 4 )  .....

**7- If you were Haryz's brother or sister how would you feel? Why?** ( 1 mark )

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**B-Language** : ( 10 marks )

**1-Fill in the blanks with words from the box below. There are 2 extra words.** ( 3 marks )

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**2-Put the bracketed words in the right tense or form.** ( 4 marks )

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**3- Fill in the blanks with the right alternatives. ( 3 marks )**

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**1 –Complete the following conversation with the missing questions or answers. ( 5 marks )**

**Ahmed:** Hello !.....?

**Salim :**Hi ! I ‘m in 1<sup>st</sup> form 6. What about you?

**Ahmed:** I am in 1<sup>st</sup> form 1. ....?

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**Ahmed :** What are your expectations for this school year , especially with the corona virus crisis?

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**Ahmed:** That is great . My father is coming to pick me up, would you like to come with me ?

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