Dhaka Board-2023
Subject: English 2nd Paper

Time: 3 Hours Marks: 100

Prat–A: Grammar [Marks: 60]

1. Fill in the gaps with appropriate prepositions:

A good boy is accustomed (a) ------hard work. He is not addicted (b) ------any bad thing. He is not averse (c) ----- any hard work. He clings (d)-------his determination. Since he is used (e) ------ hard work, he is not doubtful (f)------his success. He is very much conscious (g)-----his duties. He is not boastful (h) ------ his talents. He behaves well (i) ------all. He attends (j)------ his studies.

2. Complete the sentences with suitable phrase or words given in the box:

there	What does --- look like	As soon as	was born	let alone
would rather	What's like	it	have to	had better

(a) Time is very valuable. We------ utilize time properly.
(b) I-------take a taxi than walk home. It is already too late.
(c) Long ago ------lived a mighty king Kubla Khan. He built an amazing palace in deep dark forest.
(d) -------watching a horror film at midnight? You are really scared.
(e) It is winter. You -------buy a coat.
(f) --------the balcony -------? It looks very beautiful but it is really small.
(g) Bangladesh ------as an Independent state on 16 December 1971 after nine months bloody war against the occupation Pakistan Army.
(h) ------was in China that the art of Bonsai originated perhaps more than 1000 years ago.
(i) I cannot ride a bicycle -----a motor cycle. I have no money to buy any of them.
(j) ------ the rain stopped, I started for home.

3. Complete the sentences with suitable clauses/phrases:

(a) Honesty is the best policy. If you maintain honesty,------.
(b) English is an International language. I wish-------.
(c) It is a long time since------.
(d) He talks too much while doing his work. I don't like people who------.
(e) The beggar was very hungry. No sooner had he got a piece of loaf on the road than-----.
(f) The old man is very weak. He is walking slowly-------.
(g) A student should not memorize any answer blindly. If he memorizes the answer without knowing the meaning,-------.
(h) Corruption is the main hindrance to the development of our country. It is high time-----.
(i) Had I earned enough money-------.
(j) My brother will come to Rajshahi from Dhaka. So I have to go to station with a view to-------.

4. Read the text and fill in the gaps with the correct form of verbs and subject-verb agreement as per context.

Student life is the best time for (a) ------(prepare) ourself for future. It is (b)----- (call) the seed time of life, So during this period of life students mustn't (c) ----- (waste) time. The main pursuit of the students (d) ------(be) study. They should prepare themselves for the life (e)------(lie) ahead. They should also (f) ------ (participate) in co-curricular activities. By (g)------(read) newspaper they will know what (h)------(happen) in the world. When the country (i) -------(face) with a natural calamity, they should (j) -------(come) forward with a view to (k)------(remove) the sufferings of the affected people. Even in normal times they (l)------ (engage) themselves in acts of social service. The students can not do well in the examination without (m) ------ (work) hard. It is a pity that many students are trying to (n)---------- (succeed) in the shortest and easiest way.

7. Change the narrative style by using indirect speeches:

"Where will you get admission after your HSC Examination? Do you have any choice?" said the teacher to Susmita. "I'm not yet sure what I have to do because everything depends on my result." "You should have a choice. Be positive and optimistic."

6. Read the following text and use modifiers as directed in the blank spaces:

Cricket is an (a) ------(pre-modify the noun) game. It is not a game of (b) ------(use possessive to pre-modify the noun) country. A (c)------ (use a noun adjective to pre-modify the noun) match is played between two teams. (d) ------ (use a distributive pronoun to pre-modify the noun) team consists of eleven players. A cricket field must be (e) ------(post modify the noun). It requires two wooden bats, a ball & two sets of stamps. (f) ------(use a numeral adjective to pre-modify the noun) umpires conduct the game. Sometimes, a third umpire is required (g)------- (use an infinitive to post-modify the verb) an acute confusion. (h)------ (use a participle to pre-modify the noun) the opportunity, the batter hits the ball away at a good distance and runs to the opposite wicket. If (i)----- (use an indefinite pronoun to pre-modify the noun) batter is out, next batter comes in his place. Both teams try (j) ------ (use an adverbial phrase to post modify) to out all batters of the opposite.

7. Use appropriate sentence connectors in the blank spaces of the following passage:

Happiness is a relative term. (a)------, it depends upon some factors. (b)-------,contentment is the key to happiness. (c)-------contentment varies from person to person. (d)------, a beggar may be contented with only ten taka. (e)------, a wealthy person may be dissatisfied even after getting one million taka. (f)------, it is said that contentment brings happiness. (g)------, we must learn to be contented with what we have. (h) ------, this learning is the simpliest way to remain happy. (i)------, we must remember that our life is short. (j)-------, in this short life we cannot get everything (k) -------we want. (l) ------we want everything, we will not get happiness. (m)-------, we will get frustrated and we will plunge into the world of sadness. (n)------, it is always better to be contented with what we have than to live in eternal sadness.

8. Read the passage and then write the antonym or synonym of the words as directed below:

A <u>good</u> <u>writer</u> may be a good reader. A good reader may be a good <u>speaker</u> or make good <u>recitation</u>. Nothing of this is <u>impossible</u> for a man if he is not <u>lazy</u>. The <u>main</u> thing is

sincerity. Seriousness should also be taken under consideration. If a man is serious. he can make impossible to be possible. If we become serious in our intention we can shine in life.

(a) good (antonym) (b) writer (synonym) (c) speaker (synonym) (d) recitation (synonym) (e) impossible (antonym) (f) lazy (antonym) (g) main (antonym) (h) sincerity (synonym) (i) seriousness (synonym) (j) consideration (synonym) (k) serious (antonym) (l) possible (antonym) (m) intention (synonym) (n) shine (synonym)

9. There are fourteen errors in the use of punctuation marks in the following text. Rewrite the text correcting the errors:

Lion : How dare you wake me up
Mouse : Im sorry sir I did not mean to wake you I was just playing
Lion : Now Im going to kill you.
Mouse : Oh please sir. Have mercy on me one day, I can be your help.
Lion : What rubbish How can a little mouse help a big lion

Part B: Composition [Marks: 40]

10. Suppose, you are a student of 'X' college. Now write an application to your Principal to establish a debating club in the college.

11. Write a paragraph about the benefits of early rising by using listing style within 200 words.

12. Write a paragraph describing the causes of price-hike in Bangladesh and its effects within 200 words.

Answer Sheet

Part-A

1. (a) to (b) to (c) to (d) to (e) to (f) about (g) of (h) about (i) with (j) to
2. (a) have to (b) would rather (c) there (d) What's like (e) had better (f) What does --- look like (g) was born (h) it (i) let alone (j) As soon as
3. (a) Honesty is the best policy. If you maintain honesty, **you will enjoy peace.**
   (b) English is an International language. I wish **I could speak English fluently.**
   (c) It is a long time since **we went there.**
   (d) He talks too much while doing his work. I don't like people who **are talkative.**
   (e) The beggar was very hungry. No sooner had he got a piece of loaf on the road than **he began to eat.**
   (f) The old man is very weak. He is walking slowly **lest he should fall down.**
   (g) A student should not memorize any answer blindly. If he memorizes the answer without knowing the meaning, **it will not help him.**
   (h) Corruption is the main hindrance to the development of our country. It is high time **we stopped corruption.**
   (i) Had I earned enough money **I would have helped the poor.**

(j) My brother will come to Rajshahi from Dhaka. So, I have to go to station with a view to **welcoming/receiving him.**

4. (a) preparing (b) called (c) waste (d) is (e) lying (f) participate (g) reading (h) is happening (i) faces (j) come (k) removing (l) should engage (m) working (n) succeed
5. The teacher asked Susmita where she would get admission after her HSC Examination. He again asked if she had any choice. Susmita replied that she was not yet sure what she had to do because everything depended on her result. The teacher told her that she should have a choice. He also told her to be positive and optimistic.
6. (a) exciting/international/interesting (b) our (c) cricket (d) Each (e) even (f) two (g) to solve (h) having/getting (i) one (j) very hard
7. (a) so/therefore (b) in fact/in the true sense (c) but (d) for example/for instance (e) whereas/on the other hand/on the contrary/but (f) so/for this reason/this is why (g) in fact (h) again (i) in this case/in this respect (j) And (k) that (l) if (m) naturally/eventually (n) therefore/so/hence
8. (a) bad (b) author (c) lecturer/narrator (d) narration (e) possible (f) active (g) minor (h) honesty/earnestness (i) sincerity (j) thought (k) trivial (l) impossible (m) purpose/intent (n) gleam
9. Lion : How dare you wake me **up**?
   Mouse : **I'm sorry, sir.** I did not mean to wake **you.** I was just **playing**.
   Lion : **Now, I'm** going to kill you.
   Mouse : **Oh, please**, sir. Have mercy on **me. One** day, I can be your help.
   Lion : What **rubbish**! How can a little mouse help a big **lion**?

Cumilla Board-2023
Subject: English 2nd Paper

Time: 3 Hours Marks: 100

Prat–A: Grammar [Marks: 60]

1. Complete the text with suitable prepositions:

A craftwork is an applied form (a)------art, a social and cultural product reflecting the inclusive nature (b)------ folk imagination. A craftwork, which usually doesn't bear the signature of its maker, retains a personal touch. When we look (c)------ a thirty years old Nakshi Kantha, we wonder (d)-------its motif and designs that point (e) ------ the artistic ingenuity and the presence of the maker (f) ------- it. The fact that we do not know her name or any other detail (g)------- her does not take anything (h) ------from our appreciation (i) ------the artist. Indeed, the intimate nature (j) ----- the Kantha and the tactile feeling it generates animate the work and make it very inviting.

2. Complete the sentences with suitable phrases/words given in the box:

There	let alone	have to	had better	what does --- look like
it	would rather	as soon as	was born	what's --- like

(a) The tennis match restarted------ the rain had stopped.

(b) In England, most school children-------wear a uniform. Is it the same in Bangladesh?
(c) In our country, rainy season is very different. During this season------- rains heavily without any gap.
(d) Socrates was a great Greek philosopher. He------ in 469 BC. He spoke against the traditional Greek beliefs and so he was sentenced to death by drinking hemlock.
(e) Long ago,----- lived a mighty warrior, Kublai Khan. He built an amazing palace in a deep dark and mysterious forest.
(f) A warrior ------die than surrender to enemies. He loves his country more than his life.
(g) We ------take an umbrella. It may rain today.
(h) ----- the weather ------today?
(i) Baby: Mom-----, a ghost ------?
(j) ------ has been many years since I saw him. So, I cannot recognize him.

3. Complete the sentences using suitable clauses/phrases:

(a) There is a wise saying that united we stand,------. So, we must be united to reach our expected goal.
(b) Industry is the key to success. We work hard so that -------.
(c) My younger brother is very fond of me. Whenever I go out, --------.
(d) Bangladesh is my motherland. It is blessed with rivers. Inspite of that, we do not get water during dry season because -------.
(e) If we lose the morning hours of life, -----.
(f) I can't recall his name. It is long since ------.
(g) The poem is too difficult ------. The teacher told us to listen to him very carefully.
(h) My childhood was full of joys and happiness. Would that ------.
(i) We met the strange person while -----.
(j) Would you mind ------? I am very thirsty.

4. Read the text and fill in the gaps with the correct form of verbs as per subject and context:

Newspaper (a) ------(consider) the people's parliament. The newspaper (b) ------ (play) a vital role in modern civilization. It (c) ------ (call) to be the mirror of the world. We must (d)----- (develop) the habit of (e) ------(read) the newspaper daily. It helps us (f) ------ (acquire) general knowledge, which (g) ----- (be) essential for our education. Nobody (h) ---------(maintain) contact with the outside world without reading the newspaper. Mere bookish knowledge (i) ----- (be) not sufficient in the struggle of life. A man who (j)------ (read) the newspaper daily (k) ----(be) like a creature of the narrow well. Being ignorant of current topics, he cannot (l)------- (take) part in the talks and discussions in an enlightened society and he (m)------- (live) like a fish out of water in it. Students (n)------(ask) for reading newspaper daily.

5. Change the narrative style by using indirect speeches.

"What's a puppet show?" Mita said to her father. Father said, "Let's go inside and you can see yourself. Inside the tent Mita said, "How strange! A doll is dancing and talking." Father said "A man behind the screen is moving the doll. Do you understand who is talking?"

6. **Read the following text and use modifiers as directed in the blank spaces:**

Amerigo, (a) ------ (use noun in apposition) lives alone. His parents now live separate and none or them wants (b) -------(use infinitive to post modify the verb) his responsibility. (c) ------ (use possessive to pre-modify the noun) mother told him to go away because she is married to another man. (d) -------(use determiner to premodify the noun) streets are now his home. He wanted (e) ------(use adjective to premodify the noun) money from his father to buy a (f)-------(use noun adjective to premodify the noun) ticket. But his father did not answer. He earns his living by working hard, (g) ------(use adverbial to premodify the verb) he finds work. Some of (h) ------(use demonstrative to premodify the noun) works are very risky for him. Once he sold ice-cream (i) ------(use prepositional phrase to post modify the verb). But he got (j) -------(use quantifier to premodify the noun) money in return from the owner of the ice-cream shop.

7. **Use appropriate sentence connectors in the blank spaces of the following passage:**

Health (a) ------is the root of all happiness, can be enjoyed taking adequate care of body and mind. People (b) ------ are always under mental stress and suffer from anxieties can not enjoy a good health. (c) ------ to enjoy good health, it is also necessary to keep our mind sound. They are doctors (d)------say that simple and carefree life is more conducive to health. Many people, (e)------, are not aware of health rules. They (f) ------ take physical exercise (g) -----take proper food. (h)------, a huge number of people of our country live below poverty line. (i)------ they can not afford to eat good food. (j) ------ they can not enjoy good health. (k) ------, awareness about health rules (l) ------following them are very important in maintaining good health. (m)------only healthy people can contribute to the national development. (n) ------we must be careful of our health.

8. **Read the passage and then write the antonym or synonym of the words as directed below and make sentences with them:**

Education is one of the basic needs of human being and is essential for any kind of development. The poor socio-economic condition of Bangladesh can largely be attributed to most people's inaccessibility to education. Many illiterate people do not have any knowledge of health, sanitation and population control. If they were educated, they could live a healthy and planned life. Education teaches us how to earn well and how to spend well. It enables us to make the right choices in life and to perform our duties properly. It enhances our ability to raise crops, store food, protect the environment and carry out our social responsibilities.

(a) basic (synonym) (b) essential (synonym) (c) development (synonym) (d) condition (synonym) (e) inaccessibility (antonym) (f) illiterate (synonym) (g) sanitation (synonym) (h) population (synonym) (i) healthy (antonym) (j) teach (antonym) (k) spend (antonym) (l) enable (antonym) (antonym) (m) properly (synonym) (n) ability (antonym)

9. There are fourteen errors in the use of punctuation marks in the following texts. Rewrite the text correcting them:

Laila : I cant see anything. Where am I?
Aunt : Youre safe in your Aunts house. Whats the matter?
Laila : I'm afraid I can hear a sound.
Aunt : But I cant.
Laila : Listen again can you hear it now?
Aunt : Yes I can.
Laila : Is it a ghost?
Aunt : No, its only an owl.
Laila : Owl But it makes a horrible sound.
Aunt : It's a bird only dear.
Laila : Could you sleep with me?
Aunt : Okay Now go to sleep Laila. You're very tired After your long journey.
Laila : You're right.

Part B: Composition [Marks: 40]

10. Imagine you are Arif, a student of 'N' College. Flood has caused a great damage all around your locality. Now, write an application to the Principal of your college to open a relief camp in your college premises so that you can send relief goods to the flood affected people in your locality.

11. Write a paragraph of description on "Your Favourite Teacher" within 200 words.

12. Write a compare and contrast paragraph on "City life and Rural life" within 200 words.

Answer Sheet

Part-A

1. (a) of (b) of (c) at (d) at (e) to (f) in (g) about (h) away (i) of (j) of
2. (a) as soon as (b) have to (c) it (d) was born (e) There (f) would rather (g) have better (h) what's --- like (i) what does --- look like (j) it
3. (a) There is a wise saying that united we stand, **divided we fall**, So, we must be united to reach our expected goal.
   (b) Industry is the key to success. We work hard so that **we can succeed.**
   (c) My younger brother is very fond of me. Whenever I go out, **he accompanies me.**
   (d) Bangladesh is my motherland. It is blessed with rivers. In spite of that, we do not get water during dry season because **the rivers dry up.**
   (e) If we lose the morning hours of life, **we will repent in future.**
   (f) I can't recall his name. It is long since **I saw him.**
   (g) The poem is too difficult **to understand**, The teacher told us to listen to him very carefully.

(h) My childhood was full of joys and happiness. Would that **I were child again.**
(i) We met the strange person while **we were returning home.**
(j) Would you mind **giving me a glass of water**? I am very thirsty.

4. (a) is considered (b) plays (c) is called (d) develop (e) reading (f) acquire (g) is (h) can maintain (i) is (j) reads (k) is (l) take (m) lives (n) are asked
5. Mita asked her father what a puppet show was. Father proposed her that they should go inside and she could see herself. Inside the tent Mita exclaimed with wonder that it was very strange that a doll was dancing and talking. Father told her that a man behind the screen was moving the doll. He asked her if she understood who was talking.
6. (a) a street child (b) to take (c) His (d) the (e) some (f) bus (g) sometimes (h) these (i) on the beach (j) no
7. (a) which (b) who (c) again (d) who (e) however (f) neither (g) nor (h) besides/moreover (i) as a result (j) so (k) therefore (l) and (m) in fact (n) so
8. (a) elementary (b) vital/indispensable (c) growth (d) state (e) accessibility (f) uneducated (g) cleanliness (h) people (i) unhealthy (j) learn (k) earn (l) disable (m) correctly (n) inability
9. Laila : I **can't** see anything. Where am I?
Aunt : **You're** safe in your **Aunt's** house. **What's** the matter?
Laila : I'm **afraid**, I can hear a sound.
Aunt : But I **can't**.
Laila : Listen **again**. **Can** you hear it now?
Aunt : **Yes**, I can.
Laila : Is it a ghost?
Aunt : No, **it's** only an owl.
Laila : **Owl**? But it makes a horrible sound.
Aunt : It's a bird **only**, dear.
Laila : Could you sleep with me?
Aunt : Okay. Now go to **sleep**, Laila. You're very tired **after** your long journey.
Laila : You're right.

Rajshahi Board-2023
Subject: English 2nd Paper

Time: 3 Hours Marks: 100

Prat–A: Grammar [Marks: 60]

1. Complete the text with suitable prepositions:

But at last God took pity (a) ------him. One day the sailor was watching the water-snakes swimming (b) -----the ship. Their colours were so beautiful and he was filled (c)------ such a strange wonder that he felt a great love (d)------them and blessed them (e) -----his heart. At once, the dead albatross fell (f)------his neck (g) ------the sea. A gentle breeze began to blow (h)------the south and the old man fell (i)-----a deep sleep. When he woke up, it was raining and he felt fresh again. Thus, the old man was relieved (j) ------his sufferings.

2. Complete the following sentences with suitable words/phrases given in the box.

it	there	has to	what's --- like	had better
what does --- look like	was born	let alone	would rather	as soon as

(a) Rupa -----take up the profession of teaching than be a nurse. She thinks teaching is a noble profession.
(b) Edmund Burke was an orator, writer and shrewd politician. He------ in 1729 in England.
(c) He cannot teach in a high school, ------in a university.
(d) ------ is difficult to regain lost health. So, we should always take care of our health.
(e) ------flows a river beside our village. The river is useful to us in many ways.
(f) Sarika is an examinee. She ------study a lot to make a good result.
(g) -----honesty ------? I think it to be a noble virtue.
(h) Rita is ill. We----- go to see her. She will be happy to see us.
(i) The girls fell sick-------they had foods. The foods were contaminated.
(j) ------an elephant------? I have never seen it before.

3. Complete the sentences with suitable clauses and phrases.

(a) The martyrs laid down their lives in 1971. They did it so that-----.
(b) It's too late. -----, we would not have missed the train.
(c) The poem is too difficult for-----.
(d) Danger comes where------. So, we have to be careful in our life.
(e) She spoke as if ------. She was actually a quack.
(f) The thief was afraid of police. He ran away lest -------arrested.
(g) Despite -----, he helps his relatives.
(h) He took Logic ------History. History seems to be difficult to him.
(i) If I had been hungry. ------, But I am not hungry at all.
(j) Corruption is a curse. It is high time the government-------.

4. Read the text and fill in the gaps with correct forms of verbs as per subject and context:

If all the children (a)------ (go) to school, the country (b) ------(get) rid of the curse of illiteracy. To boost up education, the govt. (c) ------(spend) more money. Subsidies must (d)------(give) in the education sector. Teachers (e)------(need) to (f) ------ (train) for good teaching. The poor students can (g) ----(bring) under "Food for Education" programme. We (h)------(take) care that no institution (i)------ (close) down due to political clashes. All concerned (j)------(be) conscious about it. If we cannot (k)------(keep) pace with the present world, we (l) ------ (lag) behind. For this we have to (m) -----(ensure) education for all and set a bright prospect for (n) ------- (implement) all necessary steps.

5. Change the narrative style by using indirect speech:

"I can chop some wood today," said Jerry "But I have a boy coming from the orphanage." "I am the boy." "You? But you are small," "Size does not matter, chopping wood," said Jerry. "Some of the big boys don't chop wood. I've been chopping wood for a long time," said Jerry to the writer.

6. Read the following text and use modifiers in the blanks as directed:

People around were just watching as the (a)------(pre-modify the noun) boy started (b)-------(post-modify the verb) into the (c)------(pre-modify the noun) canal. Then the traffic constable came. (d)------ (pre-modify the noun with a present participle) no time, he jumped into the canal. The (e) ------(pre-modify the noun with an adjective) constable did not think of his (f) -----(pre-modify the noun) life. He was (g) -----(use an intensifier to pre-modify the adjective) kind that he risked his life. People (h) -----(post-modify the noun) by the canal praised him (i)------ (post-modify the verb with an adverb). This type of person is a model (j)------ (post-modify the noun).

7. Use appropriate sentence connectors in the blank spaces of the following text:

The greatness of a book depends (a) ------on the acceptability among the readers. (b) ------ we read a book (c) ------once, we can discover many things in it. (d) ------ basing on one reading, we cannot judge the standard of a book. (e)------ a book is praised (f) ------, we have no doubt about the greatness of the book. (g) ------ the first reading, we may not understand a book. But if it is read more than once, we will see (h) ------- it was read (i) ------ praised. So, the great books are those (j) ------have passed the test of time. (k)------ the appeal of a great book doesn't decrease. (l) -------, the greatness of the book is newly felt (m) ------time passes. (n)------, a great book is widely read and reread by people all over the world.

8. Read the passage and then write the antonym or synonym of the words as directed below:

He is <u>optimistic</u> of his <u>success</u>. He works <u>hard</u> and abides by his teachers' <u>guidelines</u>. He <u>understands</u> that it is <u>important</u> to be <u>diligent</u>. He does not <u>rely</u> on any one and believes that <u>honesty</u> and hard work can <u>help</u> one reach the <u>peak</u> of success. He <u>harbours</u> the faith that a <u>laborious</u> man is sure to <u>shine</u>.

(a) optimistic (antonym) (b) success (antonym) (c) hard (synonym) (d) guidelines (synonym) (e) understand (synonym) (f) important (antonym) (g) diligent (synonym) (h) rely (synonym) (i) honesty (antonym) (j) help (antonym) (k) peak (synonym) (l) harbour (synonym) (m) laborious (antonym) (n) shine (synonym)

9. There are fourteen errors is the use of punctuation marks in the following text. Rewrite the text correcting the errors:

Raja : What are you doing Rana
Rana : I am reading a letter
Raja : Letter? From whom
Rana : It's from my pen friend. Shes an Australian. Her names Lucy.
Raja : How old is she
Rana : Sixteen The same as us. She lives in Sydney.
Raja : Sydney what's that
Rana : Its a city in the south-east of Australia.
Raja : How do you know about it
Rana : Lucy has sent me a picture of it.
Raja : Can you show me the picture

Rana : Yes, here it is. You see, it looks very nice, doesn't it

Part B: Composition [Marks: 40]

10. **Suppose you are Shafayat. You want to get admitted into an English Language Course run by the British Council. Write an e-mail to the manager for detail.**
11. **Write a paragraph on "Importance of Moral Values" in 200 Words.**
12. **Write a paragraph on "Global Warming" in 200 words.**

Answer Sheet

Part-A

1. (a) on (b) around/round (c) with (d) for (e) from (f) from (g) into (h) from (i) into (j) of
2. (a) would rather (b) was born (c) let alone (d) it (e) there (f) has to (g) what's --- like (h) had better (i) as soon as (j) what does --- look like
3. (a) The martyrs laid down their lives in 1971. They did it so that **we could live in an independent country.**
   (b) It's too late. **If we had started a bit earlier**, we would not have missed the train.
   (c) The poem is too difficult for **the students to memorise**.
   (d) Danger comes where **it is feared**. So, we have to be careful in our life.
   (e) She spoke as if **she were a doctor**, She was actually a quack.
   (f) The thief was afraid of police. He ran away lest **he should be** arrested.
   (g) Despite **his poverty**, he helps his relatives.
   (h) He took Logic **in lieu of** History. History seems to be difficult to him.
   (i) If I had been hungry. **I would have taken lunch with you**. But I am not hungry at all.
   (j) Corruption is a curse. It is high time the government **took step to stop it.**
4. (a) go (b) will get (c) should spend (d) be given (e) need (f) be trained (g) be brought (h) should take (i) is closed (j) should be (k) keep (l) will lag (m) ensure (n) implementing
5. Jerry said that he could chop some wood that day. But the writer sald that she had a boy coming from the orphanage. He informed her that he was the boy. She was surprised and said that he was small. Jerry said that size did not matter chopping wood. He added that some of the big boys did not chop wood. He also said that he had been chopping wood for a long time.
6. (a) young (b) drowning (c) deep (d) Wasting (e) police (f) own (g) so (h) sitting/standing (i) a lot/greatly (j) for all/ for the society
7. (a) mainly/chiefly (b) if/when (c) only/for/Just (d) but (e) if /when (f) highly (g) during (h) why (i) and (j) which (k) in fact (l) on the contrary/ rather (m) as (n) Thus/Therefore
8. (a) pessimistic (b) failure (c) seriously (d) rules/procedures (e) realize (f) insignificant (g) hardworking (h) depend (i) dishonesty (j) hinder (k) top (l) cherish/nurture (m) easy (n) gleam
9. Raja : What are you **doing, Rana?**
   Rana : I am reading a **letter**.

Raja : Letter? From **whom**?
Rana : It's from my pen friend. **She's** an Australian. Her **name's** Lucy.
Raja : How old is **she**?
Rana : **Sixteen**. The same as us. She lives in Sydney.
Raja : **Sydney? What's that?**
Rana : **It's** a city in the south-east of Australia.
Raja : How do you know about **it**?
Rana : Lucy has sent me a picture of it.
Raja : Can you show me the **picture**?
Rana : Yes, here it is. You see, it looks very nice, doesn't **it**?

Jashore Board-2023
Subject: English 2nd Paper

Time: 3 Hours Marks: 100

Prat–A: Grammar [Marks: 60]

1. Complete the text with suitable prepositions:

Books are really our best friends as we can rely (a) ------them when we are bored, upset, depressed, lonely or annoyed. They share (b) ------us information and knowledge whenever we need. They enable us to have a glimpse (c)----- cultures, traditions, arts, history, geography, health, psychology and many other subjects and aspects of life. Good books always guide us (d) ------ the right path (e)----- life. Reading good books helps us understand the world (f) -----us better. While reading books, we build new and creative thoughts, images and opinions (g) -----our mind. This habit helps us explore life (h)------ different perspectives. In other words, it has several positive effects (i) ----- our body, mind and soul. In fact, the habit of reading is one (j) -------the best qualities that a person can possess.

2. Complete the following sentences with suitable phrases/words given in the box:

was born	as soon as	would rather	what does --- look like	had better
what's --- like	have to/has to	let alone	there	it

(a) Manners make a man. Students ------practise good manners in everyday life.
(b) You look exhausted. You------ take rest to refresh yourself.
(c) Raihan has not yet got 1st dose of COVID-19 vaccine,------ booster dose.
(d) Our spring is very charming. During spring, various kinds of flowers bloom, ------seems that everything has got a new life.
(e) Ria:------the frozen mountain peak-?
Purnima: It looks like a white dome.
(f) Kazi Nazrul Islam is our rebel poet. He-------in Churulia of West Bengal.
(g) The sky is cloudy and it may storm at any moment. So, we should start our journey------ possible.
(h) ------ your family------? I belong to a nuclear family.
(i) I -------learn than quarrel with them.

(j) -------was a time when people used to travel on foot or riding animals.

3. Complete the sentences using suitable clauses/phrases:

(a) Florence Nightingale wanted to be a nurse with a view to------.
(b) If I had the wings of a bird, I------.
(c) Unity is strength. United we stand,------.
(d) Time plays a very crucial role in human life. We cannot prosper in life unless-------.
(e) Whenever my uncle comes to our house, he-------. I have never seen him coming to our house empty-handed.
(f) It is high time you-------. It is detrimental to health.
(g) The box is very heavy. Are you strong enough ------?
(h) John is fond of reading. Whenever he goes to the book fair,-------.
(i) Rima is a good singer. She sings so well that-------.
(j) Since Bangladesh is an agricultural country,------. We should put emphasis on our agricultural sectors.

4. Read the text and fill in the gaps with the correct form of verbs as per subject and context:

Dhaka, the world's densest and fastest growing city, (a)------(face) unbearable traffic jams. There (b)------- (be) many reasons for this. The ever increasing number of vehicles and population (c) ------- (be) the main reason. During a traffic jam, people (d) -----(has) to suffer much. They have to (e) -----(move) inch by inch. They have to wait on roads hours after hours (f)------ (face) unbearable sufferings. Again, the roads of Dhaka city (g) -------(be not) spacious. Only seven percent of Dhaka city is (h)----- (cover) by roads, compared with around 25 percent of Paris and Vienna. If anybody falls in a traffic jam, he (i) -----(not know) when he will reach home. Sometimes, a distance of 1 km (j) -------(take) an hour to cross. Office and school goers find it very difficult (k)------(reach) their destination in time. Our government (l)------ (try) heart and soul to solve this problem. Flyovers (m) ------ (build) in different places in order to control traffic jam. Besides, traffic police and sergeants (n) -------(see) filing cases against vehicles breaking road transport rules. But still it is becoming impossible to control traffic jam.

5. Change the narrative style by using indirect speeches:

"I have won a lottery and got 10 lakh taka," said Samira. "Congratulations!" I said. "What do you intend to do with the large amount of money?" "I want to serve my poor village people. So, I have made up my mind to establish a hospital in our rural area," Samira replied. "Thank you," I said. "I shall also help you in this respect."

6. Read the following text and use modifiers as directed in the blank spaces:

Language plays a (a) ------(pre-modify the adjective with an intensifier) important role in our life. We use language from the time we wake up (b) ------(post-modify the verb) till we go to bed at night. We use language not only in our (c) ------ (pre-modify the noun) hours, but also in our dreams. We use language (d)------(post-modify the verb with an infinitive) what we feel and to say what we like or dislike. We also use language (e)------(post modify the verb

with an infinitive) information. Language is (f)------(pre-modify the adjective) present in our life. It is an (g) ------ (pre-modify the noun) part of our life. As an (h) ------(pre-modify the noun) nation we also have a language. But we had to struggle (i) -----(use adverb to post-modify the verb) to establish the right to our language. Many (j) ------(pre-modify the noun with an adjective) sons of our country sacrificed their lives for our mother-tongue.

7. **Use appropriate sentence connectors/linkers in the blank spaces of the following passage:**

Leisure is the moment (a)-----a man is totally free from his work. In leisure, a man is (b)-----free from work but also from worries and tension. (c) ------, it is a time, (d)-------a man is his own master and the mind is relaxed (e) ----- the body is at rest. (f) ------our life is full of duties. By performing our duties one after another, it seems (g) ------our life is an exhausting business. This is the tragedy of our life that we cannot avoid our work and worries. (h) ------, leisure helps us to break this chain and enable us to refresh ourselves and revive our spirit. Leisure breaks the monotony of existence with a touch of variety. (i) -----we look into developed countries, we will see that people love to spend their leisure in different ways. (j)-----, they never idle away their leisure time. (k) ------, it is seen that some people love to go for travelling, some enjoy sight-seeing in different places. (l) -----, some people spend their free time playing different types of games. (m) ------ leisure is always a source of joy. (n)-----, everybody should try to find leisure to enjoy it to make the life happy and peaceful.

8. **Read the passage and then write the antonym or synonym of the words as directed below:**

Illiteracy is a curse. It retards all development work of a country. It is said that an illiterate nation gropes in darkness with no definite goal. In fact, an illiterate person is conservative, superstitious and blind. He can contribute very little to his society and country. He is unconscious and unaware of his right and responsibilities. The whole country is responsible for this. Most of our people are illiterate and poor. In fact, illiteracy, caused by poverty, stands in the way of success. All should be practical and pragmatic while addressing this problem. Effective measures must be taken by all concerned to remove illiteracy and thus make the nation enlightened.

(a) curse (antonym) (b) retards (synonym) (c) Illiterate (antonym) (d) darkness (antonym) (e) goal (synonym) (f) conservative (antonym) (g) little (synonym) (h) unconscious (synonym) (i) whole (synonym) (j) success (antonym) (k) responsibilities (synonym) (l) measure (synonym) (m) poor (antonym) (n) remove (synonym)

9. **There are fourteen errors in the use of punctuation marks in the following text. Rewrite the text correcting the errors:**

Rodela : Hello Rahela what are you doing
Rahela : Im reading a newspaper
Rodela : Do you read them regularly
Rahela : Yes everyday before breakfast Dont you
Rodela : No I don't. Whats the use of it

Rahela : Newspaper is an indispensible part of our life It helps us in many ways.

Part B: Composition [Marks: 40]

10. Suppose, you are a student of class XII of 'X' College. Write an application to the principal of your college for ensuring safe drinking water in the college campus.

11. Write a paragraph on 'The Padma Bridge', within 200 words.

12. Write a paragraph on 'The causes and effects of failure in English' within 200 words.

Answer Sheet

Part-A

1. (a) on (b) with (c) of (d) on (e) in (f) around (g) in (h) from (i) on (j) of
2. (a) have to (b) had better (c) let alone (d) it (e) what does --- look like (f) was born (g) as soon as (h) what's --- like (i) would rather (j) there
3. (a) Florence Nightingale wanted to be a nurse with a view to **serving the sick and the wounded.**
   (b) If I had the wings of a bird, I **would fly in the sky.**
   (c) Unity is strength. United we stand, **divided we fall.**
   (d) Time plays a very crucial role in human life. We cannot prosper in life unless **we make proper use of time.**
   (e) Whenever my uncle comes to our house, he **brings sweets**. I have never seen him coming to our house empty-handed.
   (f) It is high time you **gave up smoking**. It is detrimental to health.
   (g) The box is very heavy. Are you strong enough **to carry it alone?**
   (h) John is fond of reading. Whenever he goes to the book fair, **he buys some books.**
   (i) Rima is a good singer. She sings so well that **everyone likes her.**
   (j) Since Bangladesh is an agricultural country, **most of our people depend on it**. We should put emphasis on our agricultural sectors.
4. (a) faces (b) are (c) is (d) have (e) move (f) facing (g) are not (h) covered (i) does not know (j) takes (k) to reach (l) is trying (m) are built/are being built (n) are seen
5. Samira told me that she had won a lottery and got 10 lakh taka. I congratulated her and asked her what she intended to do with the large amount of money. She (S) replied that she wanted to serve her poor village people and so she (S) had made up her (S) mind to establish a hospital in their (S) rural area. I thanked her and added that I would also help her (S) in that respect.
6. (a) very (b) in the morning (c) waking (d) to express (e) to pass/communicate (f) always/ever (g) integral (h) independent (i) hard (j) valiant/heroic
7. (a) when (b) not only (c) basically (d) when (e) and (f) but/however (g) that (h) Hence/in fact (i) if (j) moreover (k) for example (l) besides (m) undoubtedly/in fact (n) therefore/so

8. (a) blessing (b) upsets/disappoints/hampers (c) literate (d) light (e) aim/target (f) progressive (g) small (h) insensible (i) entire (j) failure (k) duties/tasks (l) steps (m) rich (n) eliminate/eradicate

9. Rodela : **Hello, Rahela! What** are you **doing**?
   Rahela : **I'm** reading a **newspaper**.
   Rodela : Do you read them **regularly**?
   Rahela : **Yes**, everyday before **breakfast. Don't you?**
   Rodela : **No**, I don't. **What's** the use of **it**?
   Rahela : Newspaper is an indispensable part of our **life**. It helps us in many ways.

Sylhet Board-2023
Subject: English 2nd Paper

Time: 3 Hours Marks: 100

Prat–A: Grammar [Marks: 60]

1. Fill in the blanks with suitable preposition:

Corruption is a curse (a) ----- a nation. It is a great hindrance (b) ------ the development. (c) ---- corrupted people, a nation will surely suffer (d)------the long run. Corrupted people are hated (e) ----- all. The common mass have no good feeling (f) ------ them. They are devoid (g)------ honesty and purity. They don't abide (h) ------the social rules. Morality doesn't have any impact (i)----- these criminals. They bring no sweet fruit for their land and so it is high time we stood (j)------- them unitedly.

2. Complete the sentences with the suitable phrases/words given in the box:

there	was born	what does --- look like	as soon as	let alone
had better	it	would rather	what's it like	have to

(a) Anika can't afford a bus ticket------ air ticket.
(b) It may rain today, you-------reach home earlier.
(c) ------is many years since we first met. How time does fly!
(d) As his brother met an accident, he needs to go to hospital -------possible.
(e) We ----- develop our view about hartal and strike. Let's change our destructive culture.
(f) ----- have been remarkable changes in the behaviour of our young generation.
(g) Maria Manda is a promising footballer of our country. She -------in a remote village, Kalsindur.
(h) ------having integrity in one's character? It is the best quality of a man.
(i) He is very poor but honest. He ------starve than cheat anybody.
(j) ------ a squirrel ------?

3. Complete the following sentences with suitable phrases or clauses:

(a) Most of the rivers are getting polluted day by day. It is high time ------.
(b) Milk is rich in food values. We should take milk everyday so that------.
(c) Mr. John is very interested in tourism. He wants to visit Bangladesh with a view to------.
(d) I like to play cricket in my leisure time. When I get a chance,------.

(e) No nation can develop without education. So, it is rightly said that-----.
(f) Mina really sings well. If she gets opportunity,-----.
(g) He was a petty clerk. But he behaved as though------.
(h) The weather of that night was very rough. I would have met you provided-----.
(i) Bangladesh is a small country. Though it has a small area,------.
(j) English is an international language. There is not a country in the world where------.

4. Read the text and fill in the gaps with the correct form of verbs as per subject and context:

It is natural that a man cannot (a) ------(live) alone. He always (b)------(need) a company. He has to (c) ------(express) his thought and ideas, (d)------ (think) others while the others (e)------ (be) of the same needs. He (f) ----- (have) also the need of others for (g) ------(ensure) their safety and comfort. So, he is bound (h) ------(live) with others (i)------ (make) an institution and it (j) ------ (call) society. Society (k) ------(be) the first organization which (l) ------(make) by our primitive ancestors. They (m)-------(be) the first to contribute to (n)------ (develop) the civilization.

5. Change the narrative style by using indirect speeches:

Mr. Kalam said to the bank manager, "May I get in, sir?" "Yes, come in," said the bank manager. Mr. Kalam said, "I want to open a bank account." The manager said, "What type of account will you open?" "I want to open a savings account," said Mr. Kalam. "Please go to the front desk. The officer will help you." "Thank you very much," Mr. Kalam said.

6. Read the following text and use modifiers as directed in the blank spaces:

Drug addiction among the young generation has become a (a)-------(pre modify the noun) concern. Drug is mainly used as medicine (b) ------ (use an infinitive to post modify the verb) diseases and an excess of taking drug for no disease is called drug addiction. It has grasped the young generation (c) ------(post modify the verb). They take drugs to forget (d) ------(use possessive to pre modify the noun) sadness. (e) ------ (pre modify the noun) people take drugs (f) ------- (use adverb to post modify). Drug addiction causes (g) -------(pre modify the noun) harm to human body. (h)------ (use a participle) them aware, we can remove this curse from our society. All concerned should take initiatives (i) ------(use an infinitive, to post modify the verb) it. The criminals should be punished with an (j) ----- (use a noun adjective) hand.

7. Use appropriate connectors in the blank spaces of the following passage:

Bangladesh is a free and sovereign country. (a) ------it was a part of Pakistan from 1947 to 1971. In 1971 it became independent (b) -------started its journey as a free nation. (c) ------ the journey was not smooth at all. On 7 March, 1971 (d) -------Bangabandhu delivered his speech, the common mass got united (e)------ started their preparation for a war. The Pakistani forces started mass killing (f) ------killed about 30 lakh innocent people. They thought (g) ------they could suppress the Bangalees within a few days. (h)------the brave sons of our land proved them wrong. (i) ------the freedom fighters didn't have modern weapons in their hand, they were the real patriots and courageous. (j)-------, after few months they

became successful in their mission. (k)-------the long waited date came (l) ----- the Bangalees got their victory on 16 December, 1971. (m) ------we are the citizens of a free land (n) -------marching forward to the way of lasting development very quickly.

8. **Read the passage and then write the antonym or synonym of the words as directed:**
Facebook is a very popular social networking site with over eight hundred million users. But it has both positive and negative effects on its users. We can keep touch with our friends and relatives. It is the best means to stay connected with people. Facebook helps us make friendship even with unknown people. On the otherhand, it is very easy for cyber bullies to thrive. They can harass any one. Besides, teenagers are spending too much time on it.
(a) Popular (antonym); (b) effects (synonym); (c) touch (synonym); (d) friends (antonym); (e) means (synonym); (f) connected (antonym); (g) help (synonym); (h) make (synonym); (i) unknown (antonym); (j) easy (antonym); (k) thrive (synonym); (l) harass (antonym); (m) teenager (antonym); (n) spend (synonym).
9. **Use the necessary punctuation marks in the following text. Rewrite the text correcting-the errors and make capitalization if necessary:**
Ratan said to his father I want to go outside for sometime. Why is it not the suitable time for going out. I need to meet my friend Shimul. Now it is 8 PM. You should not waste time doing this type of activities father replied. Ill come back before 9 O clock said Ratan. "This is the last time I think," father said.

Part B: Composition [Marks: 40]

10. **Suppose, you are Alindo Hasan, a student of Oxford College. Write an application to the principal of your college for opening a relief camp for the flood affected people.**
11. **Write a paragraph on "The Padma Bridge". (200 words)**
12. **Write a paragraph on "Road Accidents in Bangladesh" showing its causes and effects. (200 words).**

Answer Sheet

Part-A

1. (a) for (b) to (c) for (d) in (e) by (f) for (g) of (h) by (i) on (j) against
2. (a) let alone (b) had better (c) it (d) as soon as (e) have to (f) there (g) was born (h) what's it like (i) would rather (j) what does --- look like
3. (a) Most of the rivers are getting polluted day by day. It is high time **we prevented the pollution.**
   (b) Milk is rich in food values. We should take milk everyday so that **we can be healthy.**
   (c) Mr. John is very interested in tourism. He wants to visit Bangladesh with a view to **seeing the beauties here.**
   (d) I like to play cricket in my leisure time. When I get a chance, **I try to play cricket.**
   (e) No nation can develop without education. So, it is rightly said that **education is the backbone of a nation.**

(f) Mina really sings well. If she gets opportunity, **she will be a great singer.**
(g) He was a petty clerk. But he behaved as though **he were a senior officer.**
(h) The weather of that night was very rough. I would have met you provided **the weather had been good.**
(i) Bangladesh is a small country. Though it has a small area, **it has a huge population.**
(j) English is an international language. There is not a country in the world where **English is not spoken.**

4. (a) live (b) needs (c) express (d) thinking (e) are (f) has (g) ensuring (h) to live (i) making (j) is called (k) is (l) was made (m) were (n) developing
5. Mr. Kalam respectfully asked the bank manager whether he might/could get in. The bank manager replied affirmatively and told him (K) to go in. Mr. Kalam said that he wanted to open a bank account. The manager asked him (K) what type of account he (K) would open. Mr. Kalam replied that he (K) wanted to open a savings account. The bank manager requested him (K) to go to the front desk and added that the officer would help him (K). Mr. Kalam thanked the bank manager very much.
6. (a) major (b) to cure (c) heavily (d) their (e) Young (f) curiously (g) much/severe (h) Making (i) to prevent (j) iron
7. (a) Previously (b) and (c) But (d) when (e) and (f) and/that (g) that (h) But (i) Though/Although (j) As a result (k) Finally/Eventually (l) and (m) At present/Now (n) and
8. (a) favourite (b) results (c) trace/contact (d) foes/enemies (e) way/method (f) unrelated/detached (g) assist (h) create/build (i) known (j) difficult (k) flourish (l) annoy/bother (m) old/aged (n) devote
9. Ratan said to his **father**, "**I** want to go outside for some time. Why is it not the suitable time for going out. I need to meet my friend **Shimul**." "**Now**, it is 8 PM. You should not waste time doing this type of **activities**," father replied. "**I'll** come back before 9 **O'clock**," said Ratan. "This is the last time I think," father said.

Barishal Board-2023
Subject: English 2nd Paper

Time: 3 Hours Marks: 100

Prat–A: Grammar [Marks: 60]

1. Complete the text with suitable prepositions:

Speaking ill (a) -----others is a very bad human tendency. It develops a negative inclination (b) ------one's mind. This habit tempts one (c)------ indulge (d) ------ a negative approach out of his unsound mind. It leaves bad effects (e)------ human individuals and society. It also hampers the happy and smooth run (f) ------the society. People very often burst (g) ----- tears (h) -------this heinous act. We all should be aware (i) ----- it and give (j)------this bad habit.

2. Complete the sentences with suitable words/phrases given in the box below:

had better	would rather	what's --- like	used to	as soon as
what does --- look like	feel like	as if	there	what if

(a) Jolly is my friend, she -----sing in a choir, but she gave it up for some unavoidable reasons.
(b) The world economy is passing through a great crisis due to war situation. The world leaders ------concentrate on the economy and security of the common people.
(c) We went to John's office yesterday. He behaved ------he had not known us.
(d) -----a dinosaur -----? Have you ever seen it?
(e) We are waiting outside. ------you finish your dinner, don't delay to join us.
(f) He is so honest that he------ die than cheat.
(g) ------the ice had cracked? You would have disappeared into the icy water.
(h) You told me about a French novel. ------ the novel ------?
(i) I am very thirsty. I ------having a nice cool glass of lemonade.
(j) -----exists no life in the Mars.

3. Complete the following sentences with suitable clauses/phrases:

(a) Patriotism is a noble virtue. We all should have patriotism------.
(b) Our freedom fighters risked their lives in the war of liberation so that------.
(c) He was not hungry at all. Had he been hungry,------.
(d) They continued to walk until------.
(e) She can't ride a bicycle, let alone------.
(f) Corruption is rampant in the country. It is high time the government------.
(g) 21st February is a red-letter day in our national history, because------.
(h) There goes a proverb------.
(i) Mira has not been able to recall where------.
(j) No sooner had she crossed the main gate------.

4. Read the text and fill in the gaps with correct form of verbs:

On 26 March, 1971, Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman (a) ------(declare) the independence of Bangladesh. (b) -----(follow) this declaration, a war began between the freedom-loving Bangalees and the brutal forces of West Pakistan, (c) ------ (result) the independence of Bangladesh. The Pakistani Military Janta (d) --------- (base) in West Pakistan (e) ------(launch) the Operation Searchlight against the unarmed people of East Pakistan (f) ------- (initiate) genocide in Bangladesh. In response to the violence, members of Mukti Bahini (g) -------(start) a mass guerrilla war against the occupation forces. People from all walks of life (h)------- (respond) to the call of Bangabandhu and joined the war (i) ------(liberate) their dear motherland. The war (j)-------(continue) for about nine months. The heroic sons of the soil made the supreme sacrifices with a view to (k)------(snatch) away the long-cherished freedom and thus (l)-------(establish) Bangladesh as an independent country in the world map. Now, it (m) -------(be) our bounden duty (n)------(uphold) the freedom of the country.

5. Change the narrative style of the passage by using indirect speeches:

"How is your mother, Habib?," said Fahim. "She is better today," said Habib. "Did you take her to any doctor?" "Yes, and the doctor has x-rayed her." "Now, take a good care of her and ensure all medications as prescribed," said Fahim. "Of course, thank you a lot," said Habib.

6. **Read the following text and use modifiers as directed:**

Kazi Nazrul Islam is called the Shelley of Bangla literature. He was a (a) -----(premodify the noun) poet. He wrote (b) ------(post modify the verb) in almost all branches of Bangla literature. Nazrul, (c)----- (post modify the noun with appositive), won the attention of everybody in his early childhood. He wrote ceaselessly until the death of (d) -----(use possessive to premodify the noun) poetic flair. He composed (e)----- (premodify the noun) songs (f) -----(post modify the noun with an adjective clause). His literary works have enriched (g) -----(premodify the noun with noun adjective) literature. His poems and songs played a great role (h) ------(post modify the verb with an infinitive phrase) in our war of liberation. He (i) -----(premodify the verb) sang the songs of equality in his poetry. He is (j) ----- (premodify the noun with determiner) pride, no doubt.

7. **Use appropriate sentence connectors in the blank spaces of the following text:**

Scientists have always wondered (a) -----there is life anywhere out in the space. They have joined together in a major project called the communication with Extra Terrestrial Intelligence (b)-----seeks to establish contact with any other living beings in the universe. (c) -----, they are beaming out radio signals into the space. It was thought (d) -----there exists life on Mars. (e) -----two viking spacecrafts (f) ----- landed on Mars in 1976 did not provide much evidence of life there. The pictures sent by them showed (g) -----the Mars has a sky; (h) -----, the sky is red instead of a blue one like ours. Its gravity is about half (i) ------strong (j) ------that of Earth. (k)------, the atmosphere is also much thinner than our planet. It has deserts, high mountains, canals, volcanoes, craters etc. as well as summer (l) ------winter. (m)-----, there are no trees, (n) ------ life forms.

8. **Read the passage and write the synonym or antonym of the words as directed:**

Hospitality means friendly and generous treatment and entertainment towards guests or strangers, especially at one's home. There was a time when hospitality was encouraged in our country. People could travel hundreds of miles with having a single penny. Gone are those days! Nowadays, people have become commercial and self- centred in their etiquette and manners. In all religions, hospitality is encouraged, because hospitality brings peace and amity in the society. To form a better society, we need to cultivate it at home and away.

(a) hospitality (synonym) (b) friendly (antonym) (c) generous (synonym) (d) treatment (synonym) (e) entertainment (antonym) (f) stranger (antonym) (g) encourage (synonym) (h) travel (synonym) (i) having (synonym) (j) self-centred (antonym) (k) etiquette (synonym) (l) peace (antonym) (m) amity (antonym) (n) cultivate (synonym)

9. **There are fourteen errors in the use of punctuation marks in the following text. Rewrite the text correcting the errors:**

Ishtiak : Excuse me where is the nearest hospital

Fuad : Its about 2km from here You will have to hire a taxi You can also go there by bus
Ishtiak : I see is there a bus station near here
Fuad : Yes there is a bus stop at the corner
Ishtiak : Thank you
Fuad : Dont merition it

Part B: Composition [Marks: 40]

10. Write an application to the Chairman of Union Parishad requesting him/her to issue you an online birth certificate.

11. Write a paragraph on "The Uses and Abuses of Mobile Phone" in about 200 words.

12. Write a cause-and-effect paragraph on "Price Hike", briefly describing the causes and its impacts on our daily life.

Answer Sheet

Part-A

1. (a) of (b) to (c) to (d) in (e) on (f) of (g) into (h) at (i) of (j) up
2. (a) used to (b) had better (c) as if (d) what does --- look like (e) as soon as (f) would rather (g) what if (h) what's --- like (i) feel like (j) there
3. (a) Patriotism is a noble virtue. We all should have patriotism **to build our country**.
   (b) Our freedom fighters risked their lives in the war of liberation so that **we could live in an independent country.**
   (c) He was not hungry at all. Had he been hungry, **he would have taken lunch with US.**
   (d) They continued to walk until **they were tired.**
   (e) She can't ride a bicycle, let alone **a motorbike.**
   (f) Corruption is rampant in the country. It is high time the government **took step to stop it.**
   (g) 21st February is a red-letter day in our national history, because **we sacrificed our lives for our mother language on that day.**
   (h) There goes a proverb **time and tide wait for none**.
   (i) Mira has not been able to recall where **she was born.**
   (j) No sooner had she crossed the main gate **she saw her mother.**
4. (a) declared (b) following (c) resulting (d) based (e) launched (f) initiating (g) started (h) responded (i) to liberate (j) continued (k) snatching (l) establishing (m) is (n) to uphold
5. Fahim asked Habib how his (H) mother was. Habib replied that she was better that day. Fahim asked again whether he (H) had taken her to any doctor. Habib replied in the affirmative and told that the doctor had x-rayed her. Fahim suggested Habib to take a good care of her then and to ensure all medications as had been prescribed. Habib assured him and thanked him a lot.

6. (a) great/revolutionary/rebel (b) copiously/amply (c) an orphan (d) his (e) many (f) full of patriotic feelings (g) Bangla/ World (h) to inspire the freedom fighters (i) always (j) our
7. (a) whether/if (b) which (c) so/therefore (d) that (e) But (f) that/which (g) that (h) however (i) as (j) as (k) Besides (l) and (m) however (n) even
8. (a) generosity (b) unfriendly (c) kind (d) conduct/behaviour (e) boredom (f) known (g) inspire (h) tour (i) possessing (j) selfless (k) custom/politeness (l) conflict (m) hostility (n) nurture/ foster
9. Ishtiak : Excuse **me. Where** is the nearest **hospital**?
   Fuad : **It's** about 2km from **here**. You will have to hire a **taxi**. You can also go there by **bus**.
   Ishtiak : I **see. Is** there a bus station near **here**?
   Fuad : **Yes**, there is a bus stop at the **corner**.
   Ishtiak : Thank **you**.
   Fuad : **Don't** mention **it**.

Dinajpur Board-2023
Subject: English 2nd Paper

Time: 3 Hours Marks: 100

Prat–A: Grammar [Marks: 60]

1. Fill in the blanks with suitable prepositions:

Drug addiction has become a serious problem (a) -----modern society. Many young men and women are falling victims (b) -----this. There are many reasons (c) ----- drug addiction. Drugs are expensive. So, to manage money, the addicts often go (d) ----- stealing, killing or all sorts of misdeeds. Drugs are smuggled (e) ----- a country and the smugglers carry (f) ----- drug business freely. Bangladesh is not free (g) -----the curse of drugs. But we cannot allow this (h) ------ our country. The first thing to do is to highlight its dangerous effects (i) ----- people. The government and mass media can play an effective role (j) ----- this respect.

2. Complete the sentences with suitable phrases/words given in the box:

have to	what's --- like	had better	was born	let alone
there	what does --- look like	would rather	as soon as	it

(a) Your performance is not satisfactory. You will-----be careful in future.
(b) Mr. X is an honest man. He-----die than steal.
(c) I am a poor student. I cannot buy my necessary books, ----- a smart phone set.
(d) You have failed in the test examination. You -----start reading attentively from today.
(e) Madhusudan Dutta is an epic poet. He----- at Sagardari in Jashore.
(f) I had a bad luck. ----I reached the station, the train left.
(g) ----the Bay of Bengal----? My friend is going there for a visit tomorrow.
(h) ----it---- travelling by an air? I have no idea about it.
(i) Recently I have visited the Sundarbans. -----are tigers in it.
(j) ----is many years since I saw him last. Today I cannot recognize him.

3. **Complete the following sentences with suitable clauses/phrases.**
   (a) Honesty is the best policy. The people who are honest----.
   (b) Because of greenhouse effect, the climate----.
   (c) You cannot shine in life----.
   (d) Overeating is harmful to health. It is high time---.
   (e) There goes a proverb that morning----.
   (f) I work hard although----.
   (g) No sooner had I reached the college----.
   (h) There are so many poor people in our country. I wish----.
   (i) Inspite of having all facilities, the boy----.
   (j) The old man---- is my grandfather.
4. **Read the following text and fill the gaps with correct form of verbs as per subject and context.**
   Deforestation (a) -----(mean) cutting down trees at random. It (b) -----(cause) mainly by a group of dishonest people. They cut trees (c)------ (make) profit. Ordinary people also (d) ----- (use) trees as fuel and furniture. Because of (e) ------ (cut) more and more trees, we are going (f)----- (face) a great danger in the coming future. We (g) -----(know) that oxygen (h)------(supply) by trees for animals. Without (i) ------(take) oxygen, we cannot live a single moment. If trees (j)------ (cut) down in this way, the amount of carbon dioxide (k) ------ (increase) in the atmosphere. As a result, the heat (I)------ (rise). It (m) -------(call) greenhouse effect. (n) ------(enjoy) a peaceful life, we must plant more and more trees.
5. **Change the form of narrative style by using indirect speeches:**
   "Why do you stop me?" asked Rubel. "Have I done any wrong?" "You are driving so fast. It is not the rule," said the traffic sergeant. "Sorry Sir. My mother is in the hospital. So, I am in a hurry." said Rubel.
6. **Read the following text and use modifiers as directed in the blank spaces:**
   An (a)-----(pre-modify the noun) student is he, who has (b)------ (use a quantifier to pre-modify the noun) good qualities, he studies (c) ------ (post modify the verb). He knows that the (d)------(pre-modify the noun) duty of a student is to study. So, he never neglects (e) -----(use a possessive) duty. He even makes the proper use of (f) ------(use a determiner to pre-modify the noun) moment. Sabuj, (g)----- (post modify the noun with an appositive) of our class is an example of a good student. Sabuj is (h)------ (pre-modify the adjective) helpful to us. I try (i) -------(modify the verb with an infinitive) a boy like Sabuj. I want to be one of the (j)------ (pre-modify the noun) stars in the class.
7. **Use appropriate sentence connectors in the blank spaces of the following passage:**
   A cyclone is a devastating storm in Bangladesh that moves at a high speed. (a)------ it causes immense harm to people and property. (b) -------the inhabitants of coastal regions are the main victims of cyclone. (c)------ the cyclone of Bangladesh originates from the Bay of Bengal. (d) ----- it is accompanied by thunders and heavy showers. (e)------ unbearable heat is felt for a few days. (f)------ one day the sky becomes terribly dark and strong winds begin

to blow. (g)------a terrible situation is created that lasts for hours. (h)------it causes a great havoc causing death to people and other animals. (i) -----dwelling houses are blown away. (j)----- the cyclone is followed by scarcity of food and outbreak of various diseases. (k) ------ the great loss caused by cyclone can be reduced. (l) ------prior warning can be given to people using modern technology of weather forecast. (m) ------people and domestic animals of the cyclone-prone areas can be shifted to cyclone shelters. (n) ------ a quick relief work and medical facilities should be ensured.

8. **Read the passage below and then write the antonym or synonym of the words as directed:**

   A rift was created between Shilpi and Rashid and their extended family. Some of the members insulted and criticized the couple. Unable to convince their close relatives of the risks of pregnancy, Shilpi and Rashid returned to the counsellor. They took the help of a parent peer who had been trained to speak to other parents about adolescent Issues. Eventually everyone come to understand the harmful effects of early pregnancy on mother and child.

   (a) create (synonym) (b) extend (antonym) (c) insult (antonym) (d) criticize (antonym) (e) unable (antonym) (f) close (synonym) (g) early (antonym) (h) return (synonym) (i) help (synonym) (j) everyone (antonym) (k) harmful (antonym) (l) effect (synonym) (m) counsellor (synonym) (n) trained (antonym)

9. **There are fourteen errors in the use of punctuation in the following text. Rewrite the text correcting the errors. Use capital letter if necessary:**

   He said i can chop some wood today. you but youre small said I. Size dont matter chopping wood some of the big boys dont chop good. ive been chopping wood at the orphanage a long time.

Part B: Guided Writing [Marks: 40]

10. **Suppose, you are a student of a college in Jashore. Many outsiders disturb the students in your college campus during class hours. Now write an application to your Principal for taking measures against outsiders.**
11. **Write a paragraph on 'International Mother Language Day'. Your paragraph should not exceed 200 words.**
12. **Write a cause and effect paragraph on, 'Environment Pollution'. Your paragraph should not exceed 200 words.**

Answer Sheet

Part-A

1. (a) in (b) to (c) for/behind (d) for (e) into (f) on/out (g) from (h) in (i) on (j) in
2. (a) have to (b) would rather (c) let alone (d) had better (e) was born (f) as soon as (g) what does --- look like (h) what's --- like (i) there (j) it
3. (a) Honesty is the best policy. The people who are honest **lead a peaceful life.**

(b) Because of greenhouse effect, the climate **will change adversely.**
(c) You cannot shine in life **if you do not work hard.**
(d) Overeating is harmful to health. It is high time **we stopped overeating.**
(e) There goes a proverb that morning **shows the day.**
(f) I work hard although **I am physically weak.**
(g) No sooner had I reached the college **than it began to rain.**
(h) There are so many poor people in our country. I wish **I could help them.**
(i) In spite of having all facilities, the boy **did not do well in the exam.**
(j) The old man **who is sitting there** is my grandfather.

4. (a) means (b) is caused (c) to make (d) use (e) cutting (f) to face (g) know (h) is supplied (i) taking (j) are cut (k) will increase (l) will rise (m) is called (n) To enjoy
5. Rubel asked the traffic sergeant why he (T) stopped him (R). He also asked if he (R) had done any wrong. The traffic sergeant replied that he (R) was driving so fast and said that it was not the rule. Rubel apologized respectfully and told him (Ts) that his (R) mother was in the hospital and for that reason he was in a hurry.
6. (a) ideal (b) many (c) regularly (d) main (e) his (f) every (g) a student (h) very (i) to be (j) brightest
7. (a) generally, /usually (b) specifically/ specially (c) mainly (d) usually (e) beforehand (f) suddenly / later (g) then (h) eventually (i) as a result (j) subsequently (k) however (l) for example (m) besides (n) most importantly
8. (a) produce (b) curtail (c) praise (d) praise (e) able (f) intimate (g) later (h) arrive (i) assist (j) none (k) harmless (l) result (m) psychotherapist (n) untrained
9. He **said, "I** can chop some wood **today**." "**You? But you're small**," said I. "**Size don't** matter chopping **wood. Some** of the big boys **don't** chop good. **I've** been chopping wood at the orphanage a long **time**."

Mymensingh Board-2023
Subject: English 2nd Paper

Time: 3 Hours Marks: 100

Prat–A: Grammar [Marks: 60]

1. Complete the text with suitable prepositions:

The orphanage is high (a)----- the Carolina mountains. The writer was there (b) ----- the autumn. She preferred peaceful environment to pen some troublesome writing. She wanted the mountain air to blow (c) ------the malaria from too long a time (d) ----the subtropics. She was homesick (e) -----the flaming (f) ------maples (g) ------October and for many other things. She found them all living (h) ------a cabin belonging (i)------ the orphanage, half a mile (j)------- orphanage farm.

2. Complete the following sentences with the words/phrases given in the boxes:

What's --- like	there	have to/has to	let alone	had better

What does --- look like	was born	as soon as	it	would rather

(a) These kids are fun-loving. They -----play than study.
(b) She is an irresponsible person. You can't trust her with your dog, ------with your child.
(c) A: ------your new office -----?
B: I love it. The environment is very peaceful.
(d) The show resumed ------the power supply was restored. It was a great relief for the spectators.
(e) I have to meet my aunt in 15 minutes. I ------go now or I will be late.
(f) The weather is very hot and humid. -----is expected that it will rain this evening.
(g) ------ goes a proverb that unity is strength. So, we must be united till we reach our goal.
(h) In England, school children ----- wear uniforms. What about Bangladesh?
(i) Shakespeare ----- and raised in Stratford-upon-Avon, England.
(j) Son: Dad, ------an Arctic fox ------?
Father: I've no idea. But you can always Google the term and find out.

3. Complete the sentences with suitable clauses/phrases:

(a) There was a little rain yesterday. If it had rained heavily,------.
(b) Though junk foods look appetizing,------. We should avoid them.
(c) Opportunity does not always come. You would have succeeded in life provided that----.
(d) The old man is very weak. He walks very slowly lest-------.
(e) The amount of waste is growing rapidly all over the world and polluting the environment. It is high time------.
(f) I wish I------. I would express my feelings in my poems.
(g) English is an international language. We need to learn it as------.
(h) Kiran got a foreign scholarship. She was so happy that ------.
(i) It was my first lecture. I was too nervous------.
(j) Manners define a man. We always appreciate a person------.

4. Read the text and fill in the gaps with correct forms of verbs:

Cricket (a) ------(be) a popular game. Now-a-days, people (b)------(long) to watch it to get pleasure. Cricket (c) ----- (call) a gentlemen's game too. A bond of friendship (d) ------ (create) among the playing nations. The Bangladesh national cricket team is popularly (e) ------(know) as the Tigers. Our cricket team (f)------ (be) very organized. It already (g) ------ (prove) its worth in many an international match. Our cricketers (h)------(be) capable of (i)------ (compete) with the renowned cricket teams of the world. The prestige of our country already (j) ------(go) up in the international arena; thanks to our cricket team. In spite of its renown. sometimes our cricket team (k)------ (shock) us by (l) ------(perform) poorly. Even after that, we believe, our cricketers (m) ------ (outshine) all other competitors in future. However, they (n)------(need) more vigorous practice to reach their goals.

5. Change the narrative style by using indirect speeches:

"What kind of stories did Aesop tell?" asked Anwar. "Fables," replied Mr. Rahman. "Do you know what fables are?" "No," replied Anwar. "Well," continued Mr. Rahman, "Fables are stories with a moral. And Aesop entertained people by telling these stories."

6. **Read the following text and use modifiers in the blank spaces as directed within the brackets:**

The purpose of education is to bring about (a)-----(use an adjective to pre-modify the noun) changes in (b) -----(use a possessive to pre-modify the noun) behaviour. It also brings changes in our lives and society (c) -----(use a relative clause to post- modify the noun). If it fails to do so, it can't be called education. Education is not only receiving certificates and getting grades. It is (d)----- (use an intensifier to pre- modify the adjective) more than that, we can apply our (e)----- (use a past participle to pre-modify the noun) knowledge in our engagement with the world that lies (f)------(use an adverb to post-modify the verb). We can do that in (g) ------(use an adjective to pre-modify the noun) ways. One way is civic engagement which is (h) ------(use an adverb to pre-modify the verb 'appreciated') appreciated all over the world. Civic engagement means working to make difference in civic life (i) ------(use a prepositional phrase to post-modify the noun 'life'). A person (j) -----(use a past participle to post modify the noun) civically is concerned about civic issues like Injustice, discrimination and other forms of social ills.

7. **Use appropriate sentence connectors in the blank spaces of the following passage:**

Time, by its very nature, is fleeting. (a)------, time once gone is gone forever. (b) ------ the sincere people realize the value of time. (c) ------, not everyone is aware of the value of time. (d)------, it is seen that many of us waste time. (e)------, we realize the significance of lost time when it is too late. (f) ------we suffer in life. (g)------, all of us should make the best use of time. (h)------ proper time management is the key to success in student life. (i)------, we find that an ideal student is the one who makes the best use of time. (j) ------, a lazy student fails to make the grade as he kills time. (k)------, the teachers advise their students not to waste time. (l) -----. they warn the students against their addiction to social networking sites and gaming. (m) ------, students should follow the advice of their teachers. (n)------, they will suffer in the long run.

8. **Read the following passage and then write the antonym and synonym of the words as directed:**

Sumi is a <u>good-looking</u> young women. Her large <u>dark</u> eyes are beautiful. Her complexion is <u>flawless</u> and she has got a lovely smile. Her long black hair is full and <u>shiny</u>, She is tall and <u>slender</u>, and her movement is <u>graceful</u>. And, she always dresses <u>stylishly</u>. Everyone <u>appreciates</u> her beauty. But Sumi <u>worries</u> that people do not <u>notice</u> her <u>talents</u> and hard work. She wants people to know that a woman can have <u>beauty</u>, <u>ambition</u> and a bit of <u>intelligence</u> too.

(a) good-looking (synonym) (b) dark (synonym) (c) flawless (synonym) (d) shiny (antonym) (e) slender (antonym) (f) graceful (synonym) (g) stylishly (antonym) (h) appreciate (antonym) (i) worries (antonym) (j) notice (antonym) (k) talent (synonym) (l) beauty (antonym) (m) ambition (synonym) (n) intelligence (synonym)

9. **There are fourteen errors in the use of punctuation marks in the following text. Rewrite the text correcting the errors:**

Son : Did you keep a diary during the Liberation War
Father : Yes I did
Son : Can I have a look at it
Father : Im afraid Ive lost it.
Son : Do you remember anything about it
Father : Yes I remember one event there were lots of sounds and bangs outside one night you wanted to look out but we didnt let you.
Son : Why
Father : Because it was very dangerous. You were only four years old then.

Part B: Composition [Marks: 40]

10. Suppose, you are a student of 'X' College, Dhaka. Now, write an application to the Principal of your college for providing multimedia facilities in the classrooms.

11. Write a paragraph within 200 words describing the importance of "Tree Plantation".

12. Write a paragraph comparing and contrasting between "Village life and City life" within 200 words.

Answer Sheet

Part-A

1. (a) in (b) in (c) out (d) in (e) for (f) of (g) in (h) in (i) to (j) beyond
2. (a) would rather (b) let alone (c) What's --- like (d) as soon as (e) had better (f) it (g) there (h) have to (i) was born (j) What does --- look like
3. (a) There was a little rain yesterday. If it had rained heavily. **I would not have gone out.**
   (b) Though junk foods look appetizing, **they are harmful for us**. We should avoid them.
   (c) Opportunity does not always come. You would have succeeded in life provided that **you had utilized the opportunity.**
   (d) The old man is very weak. He walks very slowly lest **he should fall down**.
   (e) The amount of waste is growing rapidly all over the world and polluting the environment. It is high time **we stopped pollution.**
   (f) I wish I **were a poet**. I would express my feelings in my poems.
   (g) English is an international language. We need to learn **it as it is spoken all over the world.**
   (h) Kiran got a foreign scholarship. She was so happy that **she began to cry**.
   (i) It was my first lecture. I was too nervous **to introduce myself.**
   (j) Manners define a man. We always appreciate a person **who is well-mannered**.
4. (a) is (b) long (c) is called (d) is created (e) kriown (f) is (g) has already proved (h) are (i) competing (j) has already gone (k) shocks (l) performing (m) outshine (n) need
5. Anwar asked Mr. Rahman what kind of stories Aesop had told. Mr. Rahman replied that they were Fables and asked if he knew what Fables are. Anwar replied in the negative. Mr.

Rahman nodded and continued that Fables are stories with a moral and added that Aesop had entertained people by telling those stories.

6. (a) positive (b) our (c) we live in (d) much (e) earned (f) outside (g) many/different (h) highly (i) of the community (j) engaged
7. (a) In fact (b) only (c) In other words (d) usually (e) however (f) therefore/so (g) in fact (h) again (i) thus (j) on the contrary (k) so) besides (m) actually/surely (n) otherwise
8. (a) beautiful (b) black (c) perfect/faultless (d) dull/gloomy (e) fat (f) elegant (g) tastelessly (h) depreciate (i) rejoices (j) overlook (k) capacity/gift (l) ugliness (m) desire (n) intellect
9. Son : Did you keep a diary during the Liberation **War**?
   Father : **Yes**, I **did**.
   Son : Can I have a look at **it?**
   Father : **I'm afraid, I've** lost it.
   Son : Do you remember anything about **it**?
   Father : **Yes**, I remember one **event**. **There** were lots of sounds and bangs outside one **night**. **You** wanted to look **out**, but we **didn't** let you.
   Son : Why
   Father : Because it was very dangerous. You were only four years old then.

Chattogram Board-2023
Subject: English 2nd Paper

Time: 3 Hours Marks: 100

Prat–A: Grammar [Marks: 60]

1. Complete the text with suitable prepositions:

Corruption is a curse (a)------a nation. It is a great hindrance (b)------ the development. (c)------corrupt people, a nation will surely sink (d) -----oblivion. Corrupt people are hated by all. The common people have no respect (e) ------them. They are devoid (f) ------honesty. They stick (g)------ their evil activities. They do not abide (h)------the social rules. Morality does not have any effect (i)------them. They bring nothing for the nation. It is high time we stood (j) ------them.

2. Complete the sentences with suitable phrases/words given in the box:

as soon as	had better	has to	would rather	what's it like
what does --- look like	there	it	was born	let alone

(a) A good citizen -----perform a lot of things. These things will enable him to become a true patriot.
(b) ----- is no fish here. It's a swimming pool.
(c) Mr. Habib is an honest man. He -----starve than take bribe.
(d) -----walking alone through a forest? I had never faced such a situation.
(e) -----she finished her work, she called her father.
(f) Sumi: Mom,------ a fox -----?

Mother: Well, it is somewhat like dog.

(g) He is very miserly. He doesn't help his neighbours,------the villagers.
(h) I went to my village home on foot. ----- took me two hours to reach there.
(i) The weather is getting worse. I -----start for home. My parents will be anxious for me.
(j) Tennyson was a great victorian poet. He------ in England.

3. Complete the sentences using suitable clauses/phrases.

(a) We take physical exercise so that-----.
(b) Air is polluted in many ways. It is high time------.
(c) Prosperity does not come in one's life automatically. If -----you can't prosper in life.
(d) Time is very important in our life. You can't succeed in life unless-----.
(e) He wrote very quickly. He had finished the exam before the -----.
(f) A village doctor is a person who ------. He is the best friend to the villagers.
(g) We all are attracted to gold. But------ is not gold.
(h) I am fond of cricket. I wish-----.
(i) He walks slowly lest-----.
(j) He is dull headed. The poem is too difficult------.

4. Read the text and fill in the gaps with the correct form of verbs as per subject and context.

While (a) ------(eat) food, we should (b)------(bear) in mind that we don't eat just to (c)------(satisfy) hunger or to (d) ------ (fill) the belly. We eat to (e) ------ (preserve) our health, For good health, a man (f) ------(eat) good food. Some times, it so (g)------(happen) that people who (h)------- (live) even in the midst of plenty do not (i) ------(eat) the food they need for good health. Actually they (j)------ (have) no knowledge of health and nutrition. They don't know how to (k) ----- (select) a balanced diet from the many foods that (l) ----- (be) available to them. Besides, foods are being (m) ------(adulterate) in many ways nowadays. So, it is high time we (n)------- (select) right kind of foods for avoiding health hazard.

5. Change the narrative style by using indirect speeches.

"What's your dream? Do you have any dream?" Said Zayed. "Yes, I have a dream. My dream is a full plate of rice," Said Robi. "Come with me. I am going to materialize your dream." "How kind you are!" Said Robi,

6. Read the following text and use modifiers in the blank spaces as directed.

We know that (a)----- (use quantifier to pre modify the noun) species are important for maintaining (b) ------(pre-modify the noun) balance. If one is lost, the whole natural environment changes (c) -----(post-modify the verb). In order to protect the environment from being spoilt, we should protect (d) ----- (use possessive to pre modify the noun) wild life. (e) -----(use determiner to pre modify the noun phrase) good news is that many countries are taking action (f)----- (use infinitive phrase to post modify the verb). George Lay cock, (g) -----(use appositive to post-modify the noun) writes, "Mankind must develop a concern for wild creatures and determine that (h) -----(use demonstrative to pre-modify the

noun) wild species will not perish (i) ------(use prepositional phrase as post-modifier). We have to save wild animals (j) ------(use relative clause as post modifier).

7. **Use appropriate sentence connectors in the blank spaces of the following passage.**

Early rising is one of the best habits (a) -----a man can posses. (b)------, the benefits of early rising are many. (c) -----, if we get up early, we get enough time to work. (d) ------, we can enjoy the fresh air of the morning which refreshes our body and mind. (e)------, we can take some exercises or a walk. (f) -----, in the morning nature smiles with colourful flowers and chirping of birds. (g) ------, early rising takes us to close contact with wonderful world of nature. (h) ------, if we do not get up early in the morning, we will suffer a lot. (i) ------, we do not have enough time to do our work. (j) ------, we can not finish our work in time. (k) ------, late rising from bed tells upon our health. (l) -----, we can never enjoy the freshness of nature. (m)-----, early rising keeps us safe and sound both physically and mentally. (n) ------, we should make a habit of early rising.

8. **Read the passage below and then write the synonym or antonym of the words as directed:**

A good writer must be a good reader. A good reader may be a good speaker or make a good recitation. Nothing of this is impossible for a man if he is not lazy. The main thing is sincerity. Seriousness should also be taken under consideration. If a man is serious, he can make impossible possible. If we become serious in our intention. We can shine in life. Otherwise, we will suffer a lot and our life will fill up with unhappiness.

(a) writer (synonym) (b) good (antonym) (c) speaker (synonym) (d) recitation (synonym) (e) impossible (synonym) (f) lazy (antonym) (g) sincerity (antonym) (h) seriousness (synonym) (i) consideration (synonym) (j) possible (antonym) (k) intention (synonym) (l) shine (synonym) (m) suffer (synonym) (n) unhappiness (antonym)

9. **There are fourteen errors in the use of punctuation marks in the following text. Rewrite the text correcting the errors.**

Student	:	May I come in Sir
Principal	:	Yes come in. What is your problem
Student	:	I want to change my 4th subject Sir.
Principal	:	Why
Student	:	Sir Mathematics is now my 4th subject but it seems to me very difficult. So I want to take biology instead of Mathematics.
Principal	:	Do you think biology is an easy subject
Student	:	Not easy. Sir but easier than mathematics.
Principal	:	Ok Write an application. Remember your application must be endorsed by your guardian. Otherwise, it will not be accepted.

Part B: Composition [Marks: 40]

10. **Suppose, you are student of 'X' college. There is no multimedia class room in your college. Now write an application to the principal for setting up multimedia class rooms.**
11. **Write a paragraph on "The War of Independence of Bangladesh" within 200 words.**
12. **Write a paragraph on "Environment pollution" mentioning its causes and effects within 200 words.**

Answer Sheet

Part-A

1. (a) for (b) to (c) for (d) into (e) for (f) of (g) to (h) by (i) on (j) against
2. (a) has to (b) there (c) would rather (d) What's it like (e) as soon as (f) what does --- look like (g) let alone (h) It (i) had better (j) was born
3. (a) We take physical exercise so that **we can keep us fit.**
   (b) Air is polluted in many ways. It is high time **we prevented air pollution.**
   (c) Prosperity does not come in one's life automatically. If **you pass your time in idleness**, you can't prosper in life.
   (d) Time is very important in our life. You can't succeed in life unless **you make proper use of time.**
   (e) He wrote very quickly. He had finished the exam before the **final bell rang.**
   (f) A village doctor is a person who **treats the villagers taking minimum fees**. He is the best friend to the villagers.
   (g) We are all attracted to gold. But **everything that glitters** is not gold.
   (h) I am fond of cricket. I wish **I could see all the matches live**.
   (i) He walks slowly lest **he should fall down**.
   (j) He is dull headed. The poem is too difficult **for him to understand.**
4. (a) eating (b) bear (c) satisfy (d) fill (e) preserve (f) eats (g) happens (h) live (i) eat (j) have (k) select (l) are (m) adulterated (n) selected
5. Zayed asked Robi what his (R) dream was. He (Z) also asked him (R) if he (R) had any dream. Robi tenderly replied in the affirmative and said that he (R) he had a dream. He (R) added that his (R) dream was a full plate of rice. Zayed told Robi to go with him (Z). He added that he (Z) was going to materialize his (R) dream. Robi exclaimed with joy that he (Z) was very kind.
6. (a) all (b) ecological (c) accordingly (d) our (e) the (f) to prevent environment pollution (g) the famous writer (h) these (i) in future/from this world (j) that are in the danger of extinction
7. (a) that (b) in fact /undoubtedly (c) first of all (d) secondly (e) thirdly (f) fourthly (g) therefore (h) on the other hand/ on the contrary (i) for example (j) as a result (k) again (l) moreover (m) In fact (n) so/therefore

8. (a) author (b) bad (c) talker/orator (d) reading/oration (e) impracticable (f) active / dynamic (g) insincerity (h) gravity/ weightiness (i) thought/reflection/deliberation (j) impossible (k) intent/will/purpose (l) succeed (m) grieve (n) happiness

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