Barishal Board- 2023 **15/2025**

English Second Paper

[According to the Syllabus of 2023]

Time: 3 Hours Full Marks: 100 Subject Code: 1 0 8

[N.B. The figures in the right margins indicate full marks.]

Part A : Grammar (60 Marks)

1. Fill in the gaps with suitable prepositions, articles and zero articles (a, an, the or x): 0.5 x 10=5

Covid-19 is (a) _____ infectious diseases which has taken away many lives (b) _____ the world. It has created economic crisis (c) _____ many countries of the world. Many people have lost their jobs. Many small traders compelled to leave their trades. No doubt, it is a great disaster (d) _____ the people of the world. Though the corona virus is very (e) _____ deadly, it has created awareness (f) _____ mass people. Besides we have learnt many things (g) _____ it so far. Earlier, we were indifferent (h) _____ some rules of health and hygiene. Due to Covid-19, people of the world have become more conscious regarding the rules of health. Now a days, we try to maintain social distancing. We avoid (i) _____ massive gatherings of people. We also have made a good habit (j) _____ washing hands several times a day.

2. Fill in the blanks with the words from the box. 0.5 x 10=5

acquire	smooth	on	respective	process
human	place	to	able	without

Language is a way of human communication. And the (a) _____ to use any language is called the language skill. All (b) _____ beings acquire this skill from their (c) _____ environment. That is, human babies begin (d) _____ acquire this language skill from just after their birth. If this process continues (e) _____ any obstruction, a baby can communicate with the people of the same language (f) _____ within 3 to 4 years. During this period, the baby does not need to read or write for (g) _____ the language skill. The baby only goes (h) _____ listening, speaking, picking up words. This process is called acquisition of language and this acquisition mostly takes (i) _____ while learning one's first language. We acquire the language skill of Bangla in this (j) _____. This is why, Bangla is called our first language.

3. Make six sentences using the parts of sentences from each column of the table below: 1 x 6=6

(a) Football	(i) was mainly played (ii) is played (iii) defeated (iv) touched (v) is (vi) were not defeated	(i) worldwide by the female players also.
(b) Previously it		(ii) in any match in SAFF Women's Championship-2022.
(c) But now a days it		(iii) a popular game.
(d) A few months ago our women's football team		(iv) by the male players.
(e) They		(v) down at the airport, thousands of excited fans cheered and waved the national flag to welcome them.
(f) As soon as the champions		(vi) the Nepalese team by 3-1 goals in the final match and became champion.

4. Complete the following text with right forms of the verbs given in the box: 1 x 10=10

make	kill	throw	see	ensure
originate	work	live	be	have

Rivers generally (a) _____ from a mountain or a lake. They (b) _____ very much important for our existence and economy. But unfortunately, we are (c) _____ our rivers, choking it with toxic wastes from dyeing and textile factories. Most of the industries (d) _____ waste treatment plants. These kinds of industries are (e) _____ releasing untreated liquid waste directly and (f) _____ the water polluted. Our unconscious people also (g) _____ different kinds of waste materials into the rivers directly. So, to keep existence of fishes and other species (h) _____ in the water is impossible. It is high time the government and the conscious people (i) _____ together to save the rivers. Otherwise a happy, prosperous and pollution free environment for the next generation can't be (j) _____.

5. Change the sentences according to directions: 1 x 10=10

(a) Jackfruit is one of the largest fruits of Bangladesh. (Use Positive degree) (b) The fruit is very juicy. (Make an Exclamatory sentence) (c) It tastes very sweet. (Use Passive voice) (d) It contains high calories. (Make Negative sentence) (e) Everyone knows it as our national fruit. (Interrogative) (f) In summer, this fruit is very available. (Negative) (g) It is mainly found in the month of Jaishtha. (Use Active voice) (h) It is not as costly as the mango. (Use Comparative degree) (i) We should eat the fruit to ensure nutrition. (Make an Imperative sentence) (j) How beautiful jackfruits look in the trees! (Make Assertive)

6. Complete the following statements: 1 x 5=5

(a) "Industry is the key to success", _____. (b) If you want to shine in life, _____. (c) By working hard, one _____. (d) A hardworking student is sure _____. (e) It is high time for us to _____.

7. Complete the text adding prefixes, suffixes or both with the root words given in the parenthesis: 0.5 x 14=7

Bangladesh is blessed with many seasons. Winter is one of them. It is the (a) _____ (cold) of all seasons. It is usually (b) _____ (rain). Though ours is a small country, the (c) _____ (cold) of Winter is not (d) _____ (equal) felt in all regions. In some regions, (e) _____ (special) in the (f) _____ (north) districts, people experience (g) _____ (bite) cold in winter. Nature looks dull and (h) _____ (gloom). During night and morning, the whole of nature remains (i) _____ (cover) with fog and mist. Then the poor suffer (j) _____ (great) for want of warm clothes. Again in some (k) _____ (hill) areas there is (1) _____ (severe) of cold (m) _____ (where) in the vast (n) _____ (South) _____ areas people experience less cold.

8. Make tag question of these statements: 1 x 7=7

(a) SSC Examination is the first public examination in our country, _____? (b) Every student takes the examination seriously, _____? (c) Its result allows one to enter the next level, _____? (d) So, it is not less important in one's life, _____? (e) A student needs to take a good preparation for it, _____? (f) But one need not worry about the examhall situation, _____? (g) Face the exam boldly, _____?

9. Use capitals and punctuation marks where necessary in the following text: 5

why are not you going to school said mother to her son he said i am waiting for my friend to come and go to school together

Part B : Composition (40 Marks)

12. Suppose, you are Nasim Hasan/Nasima Hasna. You have completed your MBA degree and recently you have seen a vacancy advertisement in 'The Daily Star' for the post of an Accounts Officer in Jamuna Oil Company Limited. Now, write a CV with a cover letter to the General Manager of the company for the post. 15

13. Suppose, you are Rafi/Rafia, a class 10 students of River View High School, Rajshahi. Your common room facilities are not sufficient to meet up your demand. Now, write a complaint letter to the Headmaster on behalf of the students requesting him to increase common room facilities as soon as possible. 10

14. Write a paragraph about 'A Winter Morning'. 15

ANSWER

Answer to the Question no-01

(a) an (b) around (c) in (d) to/for (e) × (f) among (g) from (h) to (i) the/× (j) of

Answer to the Question no-02

(a) ability (b) human (c) respective (d) to (e) without (f) smoothly (g) acquiring (h) on (i) place (j) process

Answer to the Question no-03

(a) Football is a popular game. (b) Previously it was mainly played by the male players. (c) But nowadays it is played worldwide by the female players also. (d) A few months ago our woman's team defeated the Nepalese team by 3-1 goals in the final match and became champion. (e) They were not defeated in any match SAFF Woman's Championship-2022. (f) As soon as the champions touched down at the airport, thousands of exited fans cheered and waved the national flag to welcome them.

Answer to the Question no-04

(a) originate (b) are (c) killing (d) don't have (e) seen (f) making (g) throw (h) living (i) worked (j) ensured

Answer to the Question no-05

(a) Very few fruits of Bangladesh are as large as Jackfruit. (b) How juicy the fruit is! (c) It is very sweet when it is tasted. (d) It does not contain low calories. (e) Who does not know it as our national fruit? (f) In summer, this fruit is not unavailable at all. (g) We/People mainly find it in the month of Jaishtha. (h) The mango is costlier than it. (i) Let's eat the fruit to ensure nutrition. (j) Jackfruits look very beautiful in the trees.

Answer to the Question no-06

(a) is a saying. (Gerund) (b) you will have to work hard. (1st Conditional) (c) can achieve success without failing. (Gerund) (d) to be the gainer in life. (Infinitive) (e) be industrious. (Infinitive)

Answer to the Question no-07

(a) coldest (b) rainless (c) coldness (d) equally (e) specially (f) northern (g) biting (h) gloomy (i) covered (j) greatly (k) hilly (1) severity (m) whereas (n) Southern

Answer to the Question no-08

(a) isn't it? (b) doesn't he? (c) doesn't it? (d) is it? (e) doesn't s/he? (f) need they? (need one/he/she?) (g) will you/won't you?

Answer to the Question no-09

"Why are not you going to school?" said mother to her son. He said, "I am waiting for my friend to come and go to school together."

Answer to the Question no-10

Try Yourself.

Answer to the Question no-11

Try Yourself.

Answer to the Question no-12

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