English Second Paper

[According to the Syllabus of 2020]

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 blanks with words from the box. You may need to change the forms of some of the words. You may need to use one word more than once: 0.5 x 10=5

dull	the	success	both	victory	if	we	them	keen	easily

Without effort there can be no (a) ——— in life. Life loses its interest (b) ——— there is no struggle. Games become (c) ———, if there is no competition in (d) ——— and if the result can be (e) ——— foreseen. No matter we win (f) ——— game or lose it, the (g) ——— the contest, the greater the interest. A (h) ——— is not a real triumph unless (i) ——— the sides are equally strong. Whether (j) ——— like it or not, life is a continuous competitive examination.

2. Fill in the blanks with suitable words: 0.5 x 10=5

Education is one of the basic (a) ——— of a human being and is (b) ——— for every kind of development. It (c) ——— us to make right choices in (d) ———. It enhances our ability to raise (e) ——— , store food, protect the environment and (f) ——— out our social responsibilities. It provides (g) ——— with an enlightened awareness about things. (h) ——— education has to be defined. It (i) ——— not merely getting degrees from schools, (j) ——— and universities. It is something more lasting, more humane.

3. Make five sentences using the parts of sentences from each column of the table below: 1 x 5=5

Drug addiction	is	taking heroin, opium, etc.
The drugs	are	a man to death.
Young boys and girls	have	strong attraction for any harmful thing.
The frequent taking of these drugs	leads	grasped the young generation of our country.
	means	not only a national but also a global problem.

4. Complete the following text with right forms of the verbs given in the box: 0.5 x 10=5

contribute	confine	keep	prove	work	develop	receive	become	adopt	be

According to the history, women in the past were (a) ——— within the four walls. But at present they (b) ——— no longer captive to their parents' or husbands' house. With the passage of time, the outlook and attitude have been (c) ——— as men and women are (d) ——— themselves with the changing society. By (e) ——— education, they are (f) ——— pilots, doctors, engineers, high officials etc. They are (g) ——— hand in hand with men in all worthy programmes. They are now able to (h) ——— their worth. They (i) ——— much to the economy of the country. Now it has come to the realization of men that no development is possible by (j) ——— half of our population idle at home.

5. Change the narrative style of the following text: 5

The new teacher entered the classroom and said. "Can you tell me what I should do now?" "No, sir," one of the students said. The teacher smiled and said. "Try to guess." "You should introduce yourself to us," another student said. "Thank you," said the teacher, "You are really brilliant."

6. Change the sentence according to directions: 1 x 10=10

(a) Health is wealth. (Make complex sentence) (b) A healthy poor man is happier than a sick moneyed man. (Use positive degree) (c) Though a healthy man is an asset to his family, an unhealthy man is a liability. (Make compound sentence) (d) He can succeed in life. (Make interrogative sentence) (e) So, everybody cannot but be conscious of his health. (Make affirmative sentence) (f) Everybody must take care of his health all the time. (Make negative sentence) (g)

Health can be improved by regular physical exercise and a balanced diet. (Use active voice) (h) The people who are poor cannot afford to take a balanced diet. (Make simple sentence) (i) They are very concerned with the quantity of food. (Make exclamatory) (j) Everybody should know it that malnutrition causes weakness. (Use passive voice)

7. Complete the following sentences: 1×5=5

(a) Unless you study attentively ———. (b) It is a long time since ———. (c) If I have seen you ———. (d) 1971 is the year when ———. (e) Danger comes where ———.

8. Complete the text adding suffixes, prefixes or the both with the root words given in the parenthesis. 10

The books of famous (a) write are put on sale in the book fair. Most of the (b) visit buy books of different (c) publish. Almost no visitor returns from the fair without making any purchase. The (d) buy like to buy at a fair price. Our book fair is always (e) crowd. As (f) vary books are (g) play in a fair, the buyers get a scope to choose books. They buy their (h) choose books after a long search. This facility is (i) available in any place other than a book fair. A book fair is always (j) come to the students

9. Add tag questions to the statements below: 1×5=5

(a) The freedom fighters are the real heroes, ———? (b) Nothing is greater than their sacrifice, ———? (c) Their contribution for our country will always be remembered, ———? (d) We should never neglect them, ———? (e) Every citizen of Bangladesh must have due respect for them, ———?

10. Complete the following passage using suitable connectors: 1 x 5=5

None can deny the importance of tree plantation (a) ——— our lives on earth inevitably depend on it. (b) ——— it is a matter of sorrow that we are cutting down trees indiscriminately. (c) ——— trees are planted, soon our country will turn into desert. (d) ——— there will be an adverse change in the climate. (e) ——— we should plant more and more trees for our own sake.

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

is there anybody here who has ever crossed a river by a boat i have teacher i clearly remember what happened in that journey said jamal

Part B : Composition (40 Marks)

12. Suppose, you are Taskia/Toukir and you have passed HSC and got a diploma on computer operator. You looked in an advertisement in "Daily Star" that Square Pharmaceuticals Ltd. is going to appoint some computer operators. Now, write a CV with a cover letter for the post of a computer operator in the company. Your CV should not exceed one page. 8

13. Suppose, you are the SSC candidate of Modern School and College, Rangpur. You are interested to go on a study tour in a historical place. Now, write an application to the Headmaster of your school praying for permission and monetary assistance regarding the tour. 10

14. Suppose, on the last vacation you were going to Rajshahi by bus. Unfortunately your bus met an accident but luckily there was no casualty or death. Now, write a paragraph on "Causes of Road Accidents in Bangladesh". 10

15. Nowadays people are suffering from various diseases. If they take physical exercise everyday, they can enjoy a sound health. Now, write a composition on "The Importance of Physical Exercise". 12

ANSWER

Answer to the Question no-01

(a) success (b) if (c) dull (d) them (e) easily (f) the (g) keener (h) victory (i) both (j) we

Answer to the Question no-02

(a) needs (b) essential/needed (c) enables/helps (d) life (e) crops (f) carry (g) us (h) But (i) is (j) colleges

Answer to the Question no-03

(a) Drug addiction means strong attraction for any harmful thing. (b) Drug addiction is not only a national but also a global problem. (c) The drugs have grasped the young generation of our country. (d) Young boys and girls are taking heroin, opium etc. (e) The frequent taking of these drugs leads a man to death.

Answer to the Question no-04

(a) confined (b) are (c) developed (d) adapting (e) receiving (f) becoming (g) working (h) prove (i) are contributing (j) keeping

Answer to the Question no-05

The new teacher entered the classroom and asked the students if they could tell him what he should do then. One of the students respectfully replied in the negative. At this, the teacher smiled and told them to try to guess. Then another student said that he (t) should introduce himself to them. Then the teacher thanked him and said that he was really brilliant.

Answer to the Question no-06

(a) It is health which is wealth. (b) A sick moneyed man is not so happy as a healthy poor man. (c) A healthy man is an asset to his family but an unhealthy man is a liability. (d) Can he not succeed in life? (e) So, everybody must be conscious of his health. (f) Everybody cannot but take care of his health all the time. (g) One can improve one's health by regular physical exercise and a balanced diet. (h) The poor people cannot afford to take a balanced diet. (i) How concerned they are with the quantity of food! (j) It should be known to everybody that weakness is caused by malnutrition.

Answer to the Question no-07

(a) Unless you study attentively, you cannot pass any examination. (b) It is a long time since we met last. (c) If I have seen you, I will beat you, no doubt. (d) 1971 is the year when we achieved independence. (e) Danger comes where danger is feared.

Answer to the Question no-08

(a) writers (b) visitors (c) publishers (d) buyers (e) crowded (f) various (g) displayed (h) chosen (i) unavailable (j) welcome

Answer to the Question no-09

(a) The freedom fighters are the real heroes, aren't they? (b) Nothing is greater than their sacrifice, is it? (c) Their contribution for our country will always be remembered, won't it? (d) We should never neglect them, should we? (e) Every citizen of Bangladesh must have due respect for them, mustn't they?

Answer to the Question no-10

(a) because/since/as (b) But (c) Unless (d) Consequently/Then (e) So/Therefore

Answer to the Question no-11

"Is there anybody here who has ever crossed a river by a boat?" "I have, teacher. I clearly remember what happened in that journey," said Jamal.

Answer to the Question no-12

Try Yourself.

Answer to the Question no-13

Try Yourself.

Answer to the Question no-14

Try Yourself.

Answer to the Question no-15

Try Yourself.