Dhaka Board- 2025 **01/2025**

English Second Paper

[According to the Syllabus of 2025]

Time: 3 Hours | Full Marks: 100 | Subject Code: 108

[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

of	out	anglers	into	on
fortunate	an	the	refresh	

I am fond (a) — — angling. Whenever I get time, I go (b) — — angling. On last Friday, I went to a big lake near my village. I took (c) — — angling rod, bait, (d) — — umbrella, light (e) — — and some other necessary things for angling. I went there in the morning and spent the whole day. I threw the hook with bait at about 8 am (f) — — the lake but no fish took the bait. I got a little disappointed. When I was about to leave the place, a big fish devoured (g) — — bait. I felt spirited and let the hook loose for sometime and then I pulled it (h) — —. It was such a big fish that other (j) — — gathered round the fish. (j) — — I angled another three fishes and returned home with a happy mood.

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

Trees bear a great (a) ___ on the climate. If we destroy trees (b) ___ random, one day the country will turn (c) ___ a great desert. The country will bear the consequences of green house (d) ___ . Again there will be no rain and as a result the country will face a great crisis because ours is (e) ___ agricultural country and our economy is dependent on (f) ___ . Again our agriculture is dependent (g) ___ rain. So trees play a vital (h) ___ on our climate. Trees keep the soil strong. Trees save us (i) ___ flood and many other natural (j) ___ .

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

The Taj	**built**	**it as a tomb for his wife.**
It	be	on a strong base.
Emperor Shahjahan	stands	at Agra in India.
	is built	made of fine white marbles.
		one of the most beautiful buildings in the world.

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

deliver	**take**	**start**	**preside**	**be**
advise	decorate	begin	come	read

Our annual prize-giving ceremony (a) ___ off yesterday. We (b) ___ our school campus very nicely. The ceremony (c) ___ at 3 p.m. Our Headmaster (d) ___ over the function, and the Education Minister (e) ___ the chief guest. The function (f) ___ with the recitation from the Holy Quran. One of our senior teachers (g) ___ out the annual report. The honourable chief guest (h) ___ a brief encouraging speech, (i) ___ us to be regular in studies and (j) ___ part in the movement against illiteracy.

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

"Why didn't you go to school yesterday?" said the mother to the girl. "I was ill." the girl replied. "How are you today?" the mother asked again. "Well," said the girl. "Don't worry for me."

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

(a) The bee is one of the busiest insects. (Positive)
(b) It lives together. (Negative)

(c) Bees collect nectar from the flowers and make honey. (Simple)
(d) They dance most vigorously to find the nectar plentiful. (Exclamatory)
(e) Honey is stored in the hive by bees. (Active voice)
(f) They work hard in spring. (Complex)
(g) No insect is as industrious as the bee. (Comparative)
(h) How greatly they inspire us to work hard! (Assertive)
(i) The bees make us think of the importance of activity. (Passive voice)
(j) We should be industrious like the bee. (Imperative)

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

(a) There is a proverb that ____.
(b) Unless you have good health ____.
(c) A healthy poor man is happier than ____.
(d) You may have a lot of wealth but ____.
(e) In order to have good health ____.

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

We should bear in mind that habit is the second nature of human being. If anyone becomes (a) —(custom)— to good mangers he can't (b) —(behave)— with anyone. So, moral (c) —(educate)— is important. From the early part of life, (d) —(child)— must be taught the (e) —(differ)— between right and wrong and trained to follow what is right and what is wrong. Here — (f) —(train)— means the (g) — (form)— of habit on right lines. It is every parent's (h) —(responsible)— to teach their children moral lessons at home. They also have to (i) —(sure)— that their children do not mix with any bad company. The moral (j) —(teach)— at an early age will help them become good citizens in future.

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

a) Everybody wants to have a better life, ____?
b) A better life seldom comes without hard work, ____?
c) We have to work for this, ____?
d) But most of us can hardly do the job, ____?
e) Actually, life isn't a bed of roses, ____?

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

Ruma is a student of class ten. (a) ___ she is meritorious, she never takes pride in her merit. She is helpful to all. (b) ___ any weak student comes to her with any problem, she tries to help him/her. She is respectful to the seniors (c) ___ affectionate to the juniors. She is simple in behavior (d) ___ strict in principle. (e) ___ everyone loves her.

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

what is the time by your watch he said its half past nine i replied i must go to school he said

Part B : Composition (40 Marks)

12. Suppose, you are Omal Borua. You have recently passed HSC. You have found a job advertisement in a national newspaper that there is a vacant post for the position of a Salesman in a manufacturing company. Now, write a CV with a cover letter for the post. 8

13. Suppose, you are Munna/Munni, a student of Govt. M.C. Academy, Sylhet. You don't have a computer club in your school. Now, write an application to your Head teacher to set up a Computer Club. 10

14. Write a paragraph on 'The Life of a Farmer.' 10

15. Write a composition on 'Your Favourite Game' in about 250 words. 12

ANSWER

1. Fill in the blanks with words from the box:

(a) **of**
(b) **out**

(c) **an**

(d) **an**

(e) **refresh**

(f) **into**

(g) **the**

(h) **out**

(i) **anglers**

(j) **Fortunate**

2. Fill in the blanks with suitable words:

(a) **impact**

(b) **at**

(c) **into**

(d) **effect**

(e) **an**

(f) **agriculture**

(g) **on**

(h) **role**

(i) **from**

(j) **calamities**

3. Make five sentences:

1. **The Taj stands at Agra in India.**
2. **It is made of fine white marbles.**
3. **Emperor Shahjahan built it as a tomb for his wife.**
4. **It is built on a strong base.**
5. **The Taj is one of the most beautiful buildings in the world.**

4. Complete the text with the right verb forms:

(a) **started/came**

(b) **decorated**

(c) **began**

(d) **presided**

(e) **was**

(f) **began**

(g) **read**

(h) **delivered**

(i) **advised**

(j) **take**

5. Change the narrative style (Direct to Indirect Speech):

The mother asked the girl why she had not gone to school the previous day. The girl replied that she had been ill. The mother asked her again how she was that day. The girl replied that she was well and told her mother not to worry for her.

6. Change the sentences according to directions:

(a) **No other insect is as busy as the bee.**
(b) **It does not live alone.**
(c) **Collecting nectar from flowers, bees make honey.**
(d) **How vigorously they dance to find the nectar plentiful!**
(e) **Bees store honey in the hive.**
(f) **They work hard when it is spring.**
(g) **The bee is more industrious than any other insect.**
(h) **They greatly inspire us to work hard.**
(i) **We are made to think of the importance of activity by the bees.**
(j) **Be industrious like the bee.**

7. Complete the sentences:

(a) **There is a proverb that health is wealth.**
(b) **Unless you have good health, you cannot enjoy life.**
(c) **A healthy poor man is happier than a sick rich man.**
(d) **You may have a lot of wealth but not happiness.**
(e) **In order to have good health, you must exercise regularly.**

8. Add suffixes/prefixes:

(a) **accustomed**
(b) **misbehave**
(c) **education**
(d) **children**
(e) **difference**
(f) **training**
(g) **formation**
(h) **responsibility**
(i) **ensure**
(j) **teaching**

9. Add tag questions:

(a) **Everybody wants to have a better life, don’t they?**
(b) **A better life seldom comes without hard work, does it?**
(c) **We have to work for this, don’t we?**
(d) **But most of us can hardly do the job, can we?**
(e) **Actually, life isn’t a bed of roses, is it?**

10. Complete the passage with connectors:

(a) **Although**
(b) **If**
(c) **and**
(d) **but**
(e) **Therefore**

11. Use capitals and punctuation marks:

"What is the time by your watch?" he said. "It’s half past nine," I replied. "I must go to school," he said.

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