English Second Paper

[According to the Syllabus of 2024]

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

for	regret	by	rare	rational
danger	asset	to	a	the

Human being is such a (a)_____ being who always wants friends (b)_____share his feelings. (c)_____ this he needs (d)_____ true friend. A true friend is an (e)_____. He always stands (f)_____his friends in time of (g)_____. He is not a greedy person. He always wishes for (h)_____ welfare of his friends. But it is a matter of (i)_____ that a true friend is very (j)_____ nowadays.

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

Madhusudan was (a)_____ardent follower of the (b)_____English poet Lord Byron. So, (c)_____ adopting Christianity, he (d)_____ to Europe and started (e)_____ poems and (f)_____ in English. They showed his (g)_____ level of intellectual (h)_____. However, he (i)_____ to gain the right (j)_____.

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

The 21st February	will	us to love our country.
The 26th March	remain	the National Martyrs Day.
Our nation	inspire is	the Independence Day.
These days		indebted to the martyrs of our country.
		now International Mother Language Day.

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

follow	be	lag	work	depend
reach	do	idle	remember	build

Bangladesh is full of natural resources. The true development of a country (a)_____ on the proper utilization of resources. We have to (b)_____ hard to (c)_____ up our country. We should not (d)_____ our days away. If we (e)_____ so, we (f)_____ behind. It must be (g)_____ that "Industry is the Key to Success." The developed countries of the world that (h)_____ industrious (i)_____ the pinnacle of success. We should have to (j)_____ them.

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

"May I come in, Sir?" said the man. "Yes, come in please. What do you want?" said the manager. "I want to open a bank account in your bank. Can you tell me how I can open a savings account?"

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

(a) Books are our best friends. (Interrogative) (b) We should read books to enrich our minds. (Complex) (c) Books introduce us to the realm of knowledge. (Passive) (d) Books make us the fittest person in the world. (Comparative) (e) Every year a book fair is held at Ramna Batamul in Dhaka. (Complex) (f) When the visitors visit the fair, they buy books. (Compound) (g) Reading book is a very good habit. (Exclamatory) (h) If we do not read books, we cannot keep pace with the advanced world. (Simple) (i) Nobody dislikes this habit. (Affirmative) (j) Writing a good book is a very difficult task. (Negative)

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

(a) Smoking is a dangerous habit which _____. (b) We see many people smoking _____. (c) _____, we will suffer in the long run. (d) Many people can't give up smoking because _____. (e) We must try our best to _____.

8. Complete the text adding suffixes, prefixes or the both with the root words given in the parentheses: 0.5 x 10=5

Early rising is a habit of (a)_____ (get) up from bed early in the morning. An early (b)_____ (rise) can enjoy the (c)_____ (fresh) of the morning air and the (d)_____ (melody) songs of the birds. An early riser can start his/her daily work (e)_____ (early) than others. He/She does not suffer from any (f)_____ (physic) problems very often. That's why, he/she does not need to go to any (g)_____ (physic) (h)_____ (frequent). So, an early riser enjoys (i)_____ (vary) benefits and leads a (j)_____ (peace) life.

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

(a) Let us have a discussion, _____? (b) Time and tide wait for none, _____? (c) But many of us waste a lot of time idly, _____? (d) No one can prosper without the proper utilization of time, _____? (e) We should realize it, _____?

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

Gold is a bright precious metal. There are many metals cheaper (a)_____ gold but look like it. (b)_____ they become faded in course of time. Actually, there are some people in our society (c)_____ are outwardly nice and gentle. But (d)_____ a period of time, their real identity is revealed. (e)_____all that glitters, is not gold.

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

once upon a time in venice italy there was a very rich merchant named antonio he had many ships that sailed in the sea his ship carried different types of merchandise to other countries.

Part B : Composition (40 Marks)

12. Suppose, you are Limon/Lima. You have passed M.Sc in Computer Science from a renowned university. You have recently seen a vacancy in a multi-national company for the post of a computer programmer. Now, write a CV with a cover letter to the Director of the company for the post. Your CV should not exceed one page. 8

13. Suppose, you are Fardin/Adnin. You are a student of a renowned madrasah. Your madrasah has a library but it does not have enough facilities like English magazine, journals and modern books of Islamic scholars. Now, write an application to the Principal of your madrasah to increase the library facilities. 10 Or, Write a notice to prohibit/ban on the use of mobile phone in the class room as well as in the madrasah campus while the classes are going on. 10

14. Write a paragraph on 'Facebook'. 10

15. Write a composition on any one topic of the following: 12

(a) Your Favourite Season (b) Importance of Reading Newspaper (c) Science in Daily Life.

ANSWER

Answer to the Question no-01

(a) rational (b) to (c) For (d) a (e) asset (f) by (g) danger (h) the (i) regret (j) rare

Answer to the Question no-02

(a) an (b) famous (c) after (d) moved (e) writing/ composing (f) dramas/essays (g) dominant/ excellent (h) ability (i) failed (j) appreciation/ recognition

Answer to the Question no-03

(a) The 21st February is the National Martyrs' Day. (b) The 26th March is the Independence Day. (c) Our nation will remain indebted to the martyrs of our country. (d) These days inspire us to love our country. (e) 21st February is now International Mother Language Day.

Answer to the Question no-04

(a) depends (b) work (c) build (d) idle (e) do (f) will lag (g) remembered (h) are (i) reach (j) follow

Answer to the Question no-05

The man respectfully asked the manager if he might go in. The manager replied in the affirmative and requested him to go in. He (The manager) also asked him (The man) what he wanted. The man replied that he wanted to open a bank account in his (The manager) bank. He (The man) also asked the manager if he (The manager) could tell him how he could open a savings account.

Answer to the Question no-06

(a) Aren't books our best friends? (b) We should read books so that we can enrich our minds. (c) We are introduced to the realm of knowledge by books. (d) Books make us fitter than any other person in the world. (e) It is Ramna Batamul in Dhaka where a book fair is held every year. (f) The visitors visit the fair and buy books. (g) What a good habit reading book is! (h) Without reading books, we cannot keep pace with the advanced world. (i) Everybody likes this habit. (j) Writing a good book is not an easy task.

Answer to the Question no-07

(a) Smoking is a dangerous habit which may lead to death.
(b) We see many people smoking in the crowded places
(c) If we smoke continuously, we will suffer in the long run.
(d) Many people can't give up smoking because of their strong addiction.
(e) We must try our best to refrain ourselves from smoking.

Answer to the Question no-08

(a) getting (b) riser (c) freshness (d) melodious (e) earlier (f) physical (g) physician (h) frequently (i) various (j) peaceful

Answer to the Question no-09

(a) shall we (b) do they (c) don't we (d) can they (e) shouldn't we

Answer to the Question no-10

(a) than (b) But/However (c) who (d) after (e) So /That is why

Answer to the Question no-11

Once upon a time in Venice, Italy, there was a very rich merchant named Antonio. He had many ships that sailed in the sea. His ship carried different types of merchandise to other countries.

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

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