SSC • English 2nd Paper • Model Test with Solution

Model Question—1

Time: 3 hours | Full Mark: 100

[Answer all the questions. Figures in the margin indicate full marks.]

Part—A: Grammar (Marks—60)

1. Fill in the blanks with the 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. 1 × 10 = 10

desire	mischief	reasonable	from	an	a	chief	in	to

Love of power is inherent (a) ----- human nature. Everyone wishes to have power and to exercise it (b) ----- others. Power (c) ----- comes (d) ----- the possession of wealth or learning or any high office. It is (e) ----- to have some kind of power. He who has power, is feared, obeyed and respected. It is for this reason that power is sought by (f) ----- individual as well as by (g) ----- nation. To love power for its own sake is bad, it then becomes the root of all evils. To carry love of anything to (h) ----- excess leads only to (i) -----. So, this love of power should also be kept within (j) ----- bounds.

2. Make five sentences using parts of sentences from each column of the table below. 1×5 = 5

The UNESCO	was given	in the form of a resolution unanimously
The proclamation	is proclaimed	a great tribute and glowing homage to the language martyrs
It	came	in Bangladesh
The recognition	was tabled	to spread mother tongue widely
The resolution		February 21st as the International Mother Language Day in 1999

3. Complete the following text with right form of the verbs given in the box. 1×10 = 10

need	experience	consist	save	pick	think	begin	decide	relate	sense

Memories (a) ----- to mental records of past events. As such, they (b) ----- of recollections of our personal experiences. Memory (c) ----- with the senses, since that is how we (d) ----- the world. If you (e) ----- about it, the memories are the remembrances of things you have (f) ----- in the form of touches, tastes, sounds, sights and smells. As you experience the world around you, your brain (g) ----- which information (h) ----- to be (i) ----- instead of remembering every little thing, your brain (j) ----- and chooses what is important.

4. Change the sentences according to directions. 1×10= 10

(a) There are many virtues that man should possess. (Make simple sentence)
(b) They are necessary to make a human being a real human. (Make negative sentence)
(c) Truthfulness is a great virtue in a man's life. (Make exclamatory sentence)
(d) A truthful person is true to himself. (Make interrogative sentence)
(e) Everybody respects a truthful person. (Make interrogative sentence)
(f) A truthful person may lead a poor life but is honoured everywhere. (Make simple sentence)
(g) A truthful person is not afraid of anybody. (Make affirmative sentence)
(h) Doesn't truthfulness bring peace to our mind? (Make assertive sentence)
(i) Truthfulness leads to discovering the inner truth of oneself. (Make complex sentence)
(J) If we want to be happy, we must lead an honest life. (Make compound sentence)

5. Make tag questions of these statements. 1 × 5 = 5

(a) Good afternoon. How are you? Quite fine. It's a long time since we met last, -----?

(b) Probably we met each other eight months ago, -----?
(c) Yes, I thought you couldn't but come to the fair, -----?
(d) You are right. What's that in your hand? It's 'Shanchita' by Kazi Nazrul Islam. You did not read the whole book, -----?
(e) No, I did not. I have bought it for further reading. Let's move and see other book stalls, -----?

6. Complete the text adding suffixes, prefixes or the both with the root words given parentheses. $1 \times 5 = 5$

Those who live a (a) ----- (luxury) ----- life are always indifferent to the miseries of the poor. They enjoy life in (b) ----- (amuse) ----- and merriment. They are (c) ----- (centred) ----- people. They have little realization of the (d) ----- (told) ----- sufferings of the poor. They remain careless of their sufferings. They feel (e) ----- (comfort) ----- to work for their betterment.

7. Complete the text with suitable prepositions. $1 \times 5 = 5$

I had the grimmest shock (a) ----- my life the other day. I saw a few boys of (b) ----- 10 to 12. They were playing (c) ----- a tennis ball in a corner of the park opposite to our house. Suddenly, one of them jumped (d) ----- the railing. And he ran (e) ----- the middle of the street after the ball that had come out there.

8. Complete the passage using suitable connectors. $1 \times 5 = 5$

A miser got some money (a) ----- he was not pleased with it. He was in constant fear (b) ----- thieves would steal it. (c) ----- he thought it is necessary to devise some steps (d) ----- no one might get scent of it and steal it. (e) ----- much thought he bought a lump of gold with all his money and buried it at a secret place.

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

honesty is a noble virtue it is the secret of success in every sphere of life the value of honesty is very great it brings love respect and fearlessness an honest man passes his days in mental peace in respect of happiness honesty is the best policy

Part—B: Writing (Marks—40)

10. Load-shedding causes many problems in our dailylife. Write a paragraph in 250 words on 'Load-shedding'. 10

11. Imagine, you are a student of Nurpur High School, Rupganj. There is no canteen on your school campus. Now, write an aplication to the Headmaster of your school praying for a canteen, providing hygienic tiffin. 10

12. Childhood is the most memorable part in every man's life. It is full of many sweet memories. Write a short composition on 'Your Childhood Memories' narrating how you passed your childhood with your parents, yours school experience, any special occasion in your childhood, your village life, etc. 20

■■■ Solution to Model Test ■■■

1. Filling in the blanks with clues:

(a) in; (b) to; (c) chiefly; (d) from: (e) desirable; (f) an; (g) a; (h) an; (i) mischief; (j) reasonable.

2. Producing sentences from a substitution table:

(a) The UNESCO proclaimed February 21st as the International Mother Language Day in 1999.
(b) The proclamation came in the form of a resolution unanimously.
(c) It is a great tribute and glowing homage to the language martyrs.
(d) The recognition was given to spread mother tongue widely.
(e) The resolution was tabled in Bangladesh.

3. Right form of verbs:

(a) are related: (b) consist; (c) begins; (d) experience; (e) think; (f) sensed; (g) decides; (h) needs: (i) saved; (j) picks.

4. Changing sentences:

(a) Man should possess many virtues.
(b) They are not unnecessary to make a human being a real human.
Or, Aren't they necessary to make a human being real human?
(c) What a great virtue truthfulness is in a man's life!
(d) Isn't a truthful person true to himself?
(e) Who does not respect a truthful person?
(f) In spite of leading a poor life, a truthful person is honoured everywhere.
(g) A truthful person is brave before everyone.
(h) Truthfulness brings peace to our mind.
(i) It is truthfulness which leads to discovering the inner truth of oneself. (j) We want to be happy, and so we must lead an honest life.

5. Tag questions:

(a) Good afternoon. How are you? Quite fine. It's a long time since we met last, isn't it?
(b) Probably we met each other eight months ago, didn't we?
(c) Yes, I thought you couldn't but come to the fair, could you?
(d) You are right. What's that in your hand? It's 'Shanchita' by Kazi Nazrul Islam. You did not read the whole book, did you?
(e) No, I did not. I have bought it for further reading. Let's move and see other book stalls, shall we?

6. Adding suffix, prefix or both:

(a) luxurious; (b) amusement; (c) self-centred; (d) untold; (e) comfortable.

7. Use of prepositions:

(a) in; (b) about; (c) with; (d) over; (e) into.

8. Use of sentence connectors:

(a) but; (b) that; (c) So; (d) so that/in order that; (e) After.

9. Punctuation and capitalization:

Honesty is a noble virtue; it is the secret of success in every sphere of life. The value of honesty is very great. It brings love, respect and fearlessness. An honest man passes his days in mental peace. In respect of happiness, honesty is the best policy.

● ***Note:*** For writing part solution, see the folder name 'Writing Part' in Google drive.