HSC Exam Preparation-2025
Subject: English 2nd Paper, Model Question-15

Time: 3 Hours Marks: 100

Prat–A: Grammar [Marks: 60]

1. Complete the text with suitable prepositions.

I recollect (a)------ joy the day on which I passed (b)------- of the village school. It was a day of great felicitation (c) ------me. I was equally happy (d) ------the day when I was being led (e) -----father to get myself admitted (f) ----the best High School of the neighbouring town. I felt so happy at the very prospect of such a change (g)-------the village to the town that for the whole preceding night I could not sleep (h)----of excitement. And early next morning I got (i)-----, dressed myself and was ready (j) -------start.

2. Complete the sentences with suitable phrase/words given in the box.

as soon as	would rather	What does .... look like	was born	There
It	had better	let alone	What's it like	have to

(a) She-------in Indonesia, and raised in America, and now she has dual citizenship.
(b) --------singing in front of hundreds of people in a concert? I've heard you performed last week.
(c) My children are very naughty. I can barely handle them, ------- several of their friends.
(d) --------lived a man named Ruplal in a village. One day he went to a forest to lead an isolated life.
(e) Time is very valuable. We------- utilize time properly.
(f) They are very active. They ------work hard than remain idle.
(g) Nobody likes you. So, you -------not come to our party.
(h) His mother is sick. He needs to go home------ possible.
(i) ------was an amazing football match. The way Lionel Messi played was awesome.
(j) ------a super computer ------? I have never seen it.

3. Complete the sentences using suitable clauses/phrases.

(a) Who hasn't heard the name of king Solomon? He was famous because of------.
(b) Student life is the best period of a man's life. So he must take care of his health because-------.
(c) One night when Mohsin was sleeping, a thief entered his room. Suddenly he heard a sound and-------.
(d) Rahmat Ali is a very diligent farmer. He has fertile land on which-------.
(e) A village doctor is a person who-------. He is the best friend to the villagers.
(f) I get up early in the morning. Then I go out for a walk so that------.
(g) Bangladesh is an agricultural country. As her economy depends on agriculture, -------.
(h) A tokai is a small boy living in the street. Since he is shelterless, he-------.
(i) Mount Everest is the highest mountain in the world. Climbing Everest is difficult and dangerous because-------.

(j) Mohsin asked the thief why he had come to steal. -------that his family had been starving for a few days.

4. Read the text and fill in the gaps with the correct form of verbs as per subject and context.

My dear Rita.

I (a)------- (be) very happy to receive your letter on the 15th instant. You (b) ----- (ask) me to give you a graphic description of the annual prize-giving ceremony of our college. The prize-giving ceremony of our college (c)------ (hold) on the 2nd April in the college compound. We (d) -----(decorate) the college building gorgeously. The function (e)----(begin) just at 10 am with recitation from the Holy Quran. The T.N.O (f) ----- (be) In the chair. The principal read out his report. Then the main ceremony (g)----- (begin). The principal (h) ----(call) each recipient by name and the president (i) ------(give) away the prizes and (j)----- (shake) him by the hands. After that an excellent culture programme (k)------ (hold) in which the students of the college (l)----- (perform) songs, dance and stage mini drama. The audience (m)----- highly (impress) by the programme. The entire programme (n)------ (be) a nice display of discipline by students and organizers.

Yours ever,

Jesmin

5. Change the narrative style by using indirect speeches.

"What is your occupation?" asked the minister.

"I do not work at all," said the fool, "I wander about God's kingdom and wherever He places me, there I remain for the day."

Seeing the fool's trust in God, the minister felt kindly towards him and said, "Will you come and live in my palace?"

The fool asked, "What shall I do there?"

"You'll water my trees and flowers and in exchange you will get food and clothing", said the minister.

6. Read the following text and use modifiers as directed in the blank spaces.

Napoleon, (a) ------(Post-modify the noun with an appositive), was a great hero. He won many battles and conquered (b) -------(Use quantifier to pre-modify the noun) countries of Europe. One day he was walking along the sea shore. Suddenly he noticed a (c) ------- (Use an adjective to pre-modify the noun) thing. (d) -------(Use article to pre-modify the noun phrase) English boy was making a small boat. The king asked him why he was making (e) ------ (Use determiner to pre-modify the noun phrase) a small boat. The boy said, "I shall cross the sea. (f)------- (Use possessive to pre-modify the noun) country is on the other side of the sea. I shall go to my country by (g) ----- (Use a demonstrative to pre-modify the noun) boat. I didn't see my mother for a good long time. Let me go to my country (h)------- (Use an infinitive phrase to post-modify the verb)." The king was (i) ------(Use an adverb to pre-modify the adjective) charmed by the words of the small boy. He made (j) -------(Use determiner to pre-modify the noun phrase) arrangements to send him to his country.

7. **Use appropriate sentence connectors in the blank spaces of the following passage.**

Bangladesh is mainly an agricultural country. (a)-------, her economy and prosperity depend on agriculture. (b) ------, our agriculture depends on the mercy of nature. (c) ------, if there is sufficient rain, people can plough their lands and sow seeds in time. (d) ------, they can reap a good harvest. (e)-------, if it does not rain in time, the farmers cannot grow the crops easily (f) -------they do not have good harvest. (g)-----, without water our agriculture is lifeless. (h) -----the rain is not always beneficial to our agriculture. (i) ------, sometimes it rains so much (j) -----it causes floods. (k)-------, our crops go under water and (l)-----, they are totally destroyed. (m) -------, the farmers who constitute the most part of our professional people, lose everything. (n)-------, we can safely conclude that our economy depends on rain.

8. **Read the passage and then write the antonym or synonym of the words as directed below.**

Rony is a 10 year old boy. He is the only son to his parents. His father is a **busy** business man and he could **hardly** spend time with his son. Rony's father would **reach** after he sleeps and move out before he **wakes up** or will sleep until he **leaves** for school. Hardly, his father would **accompany** him or join with family. Just like any other boy, Rony wanted to go **outdoors** with his father and have **fun**. One day, Rony was surprised to see his father at **home** in the evening. "Dad, it is a big **surprise** to see you at home," Rony said. "Yes, son my **meeting** was **cancelled** and my next flight is **delayed** by 2 hours. So I'm at home," his father **replied**.

(a) busy (antonym) (b) hardly (antonym) (c) reach (synonym) (d) wakes up (synonym) (e) leave (antonym) (f) accompany (antonym) (g) outdoors (synonym) (h) fun (antonym) (i) home (synonym) (j) surprise (synonym) (k) meeting (synonym) (l) cancelled (antonym) (m) delayed (synonym) (n) replied (synonym)

9. **There are fourteen errors in the use of punctuation marks in the following text. Rewrite the text correcting the errors.**

Komol : How are you?
Ratan : Not good at all. Ive had a bad fever.
Komol : Fever Youve missed your classes for one month only for fever! Strange
Ratan : Its no joke! I couldn't even get down from my bed I was so weak!
Komol : You could have informed me.
Ratan : Look! I tried to call you so many times, but couldnt. Don't know why.
Komol : Oh really! Then, you could have sent me a text
Ratan : I'm really sorry! It never came to my mind
Komol : I'm sorry, too I should have met you at your home.
Ratan : Forget it Just help me recover my gap in study
Komol : Oh sure!

Part B: Composition [40 Marks]

10. **Write an application to the Principal of your college requesting him for allowing to go for a study tour.**
11. **Write a paragraph on An Ideal Student. Use 200 words.**
12. **Write a paragraph showing contrast between the Eating Habit of the Rural and Urban People of Bangladesh. Use 200 words.**

Answer Sheet

Part A: Grammar

1. (a) with (b) out (c) for (d) on (e) by (f) into (g) from (h) out (i) up (j) to
2. (a) was born (b) What's it like (c) let alone (d) There (e) have to (f) would rather (g) had better (h) as soon as (i) It (j) What does look like
3. (a) He was famous because of **his wisdom.**
   (b) So he must take care of his health because **a sound mind lives in a sound body.**
   (c) Suddenly he heard a sound and **woke up.**
   (d) He has fertile land on which **he grows different types of crops.**
   (e) A village doctor is a person who **gives medical treatment to the village people.**
   (f) Then I go out for a walk so that **I can keep my body fit.**
   (g) As her economy depends on agriculture, **we should give emphasis on agriculture.**
   (h) Since he is shelterless, he **has no particular living or sleeping place.**
   (i) Climbing the Everest is difficult and dangerous because **there is snow all over.**
   (j) **The thief replied** that his family had been starving for a few days.
4. (a) am (b) asked (c) was held (d) decorated (e) began (f) was (g) began (h) called (i) gave (j) shook (k) was held (l) performed (m) were highly impressed (n) was
5. The minister asked the fool what his occupation was.
   The fool replied that he did not work at all. He added that he wandered about God's kingdom and wherever He placed him, there he remained for the day.
   Seeing the fool's trust in God, the minister felt kindly towards him and asked if he would go and live in his (M) palace. The fool asked what he would do there.
   The minister replied that he would water his (M) trees and flowers and in exchange he would get food and clothing.
6. (a) the king of France (b) many (c) wonderful (d) An (e) such (f) My (g) this (h) to visit/see my mother (i) greatly (j) all
7. (a) As a matter of fact (b) Again (c) For example (d) As a result (e) On the contrary (f) and (g) Therefore (h) But (i) For example (j) that (k) As a result (l) most often (m) Consequently (n) Hence
8. (a) free/relaxed (b) often/frequently (c) arrive (d) gets up (e) come/arrive (f) abandon/desert (g) outside (h) sorrow/trouble (i) residence/house (j) wonder/ astonishment (k) seminar (l) continued/allowed (m) postponed (n) responded/answered
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