SSC • English 2nd Paper • Model Test with Solution

Model Question—2

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

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Illiteracy is not a boon (a) ----- us. It is undoubtedly (b) ----- curse. It (c) ----- all kinds of development of a country. Illiteracy causes great harms (d) ----- us. Since we do not know (e) ----- ways of development, we cannot take steps to (f) ----- our poor condition. As a result, we are (g) ----- behind. We have to depend (h) ----- the foreign aids. So, all should come forward (i) ----- to remove illiteracy. Then, the improvement (j) ----- our country will be possible.

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

Man's dignity	is	to work for others
Man	depends	upon his words
He	should	a rational being on earth
He		not be proud if he is of blue blood
He		be ready to help any class of man

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

organize	take	deny	fight	gain	defeat	take part	respect	win	be

A freedom fighter is (a) ----- in all lands and in all times, because he (b) ----- for a noble cause which (c) ----- the freedom of the motherland. Freedom is the birthright of a man, but sometimes this right is (d) ----- to a nation by foreign rulers. As a result, armed conflicts (e) ----- place between the freedom-loving people and the occupation forces. Sometimes, the war continues for years and if the people are (f) ----- and determined, freedom fighters (g) ----- and the country (h) ----- independence. The people of Bangladesh (i) ----- in the glorious War of Independence in 1971 and (j) ----- Pakistani army.

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

(a) What a marvelous gift intelligence is to mankind! (Make assertive sentence)
(b) He uses time intelligently. (Make negative sentence)
(c) He has to make division of time to do his work properly. (Make complex sentence)
(d) If he works sincerely, he can succeed in life. (Make compound sentence)
(e) An active man never uses his time for an unproductive purpose. (Make affirmative sentence)
(f) Time is very valuable. (Make exclamatory sentence)
(g) He knows that time once gone is gone forever. (Make simple sentence)
(h) He cares for none in using his time. (Make interrogative sentence)
(i) Since time does not wait for us, we should not waste away it. (Make compound sentence)
(j) A time killer has to repent in the long run. (Make complex sentence)

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

(a) Mobile phone is undoubtedly an essential part of modern life, -----?
(b) People use it for many purposes including rapid communication, -----?

(c) It has made day-to-day life quicker and easier, -----?
(d) At the time excessive and unwise use of mobile phone is leaving negative impact on social life. -----?
(e) Let us put it in proper use, -----?

6. Complete the text adding suffixes, prefixes or the both with the root words given in the parentheses. 1×5 = 5

Computer is a fairly recent (a) ----- (invent) ----- of modern science. Now it has become an integral part of our life. Computer can help us in many ways and it has relieved us of the monotony of our regular jobs. It can perform (b) ----- (calculate) ----- very quickly. It can also ensure accuracy in its work. Computer has (c) ----- (moved) ----- the burden of our work. In fact, computer has almost become a substitute for human brain. As a result, many people call computer an (d) ----- (electron) ----- brain though it is unable to think (e) ----- (dependent) -----.

7. Complete the text with suitable prepositions. 1×5 = 5

Patriotism is a noble quality. A man bereft (a) ----- patriotism is hated by all. His memory sinks (b) ----- oblivion. People feel shy to call (c) ----- him. They don't mourn (d) ----- his death. We all should do away (e) ----- this bad quality.

8. Complete the passage using suitable connectors. 1×5 = 5

Fortune has often been blamed for blindness. (a) ----- blindness and fortune are not (b) ----- blind as those (c) ----- blame their fate (d) ----- do not try to overcome adversities. Neither good luck (e) ----- bad luck has anything to do with the ultimate destiny of a man.

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

newspaper contains news and views of life social and economic literary and cultural national and international political and religious daily newspaper contains features of various sorts including science fiction

Part—B: Writing (Marks—40)

10. A rickshaw puller is a very familiar figure in our country. Write a paragraph in 250 words on 'A Rickshaw Puller'. 10

11. Suppose, you are Rubi. You have seen a vacancy advertisement in the daily Prothom Alo for the post of senior officer in a private bank. Now, write a CV with a cover letter for the post. Your CV should not exceed one page. 10

12. We have six seasons in a year. You like the rainy season best and it is your favourite season. Write a short composition on 'The Season You Like Best' narrating why you like this season, its main attractions and your feelings during this season. 20

■■■ Solution to Model Test ■■■

1. Filling in the blanks with clues:

(a) to; (b) a; (c) hinders; (d) to; (e) the: (f) improve; (g) lagging; (h) on; (i) unitedly: (j) of.

2. Producing sentences from a substitution table:

(i) Man's dignity depends depends upon his words.
(ii) Man is a rational being on earth.
(iii) He is to work for others.
(iv) He should not be proud if he is of blue blood.
(v) He should be ready to help any class of man.

3. Right form of verbs:

a) respected; (b) fights; (c) is; (d) denied; (e) take; (f) organized; (g) win; (h) gains; (i) took part; (J) defeated.

4. Changing sentences:

(a) Intelligence is a marvelous gift to mankind.
(b) He doesn't use time foolishly.
(c) He has to make division of time so that he can do his work properly. .
(d) He works sincerely and thus succeeds in life.
(e) An active man always uses his time for a productive purpose.
(f) How valuable time is!
(g) 'That time once gone is gone forever' is known to him.
(h) Does he care for anyone in using his time?
(i) Tirrie does not wait for us and so we should not waste away it.
(j) A man who kills time, has to repent in the long run.

5. Tag questions:

(a) Mobile phone is undoubtedly an essential part of modern life, isn't it?
(b) People use it for many purposes including rapid communication, don't they?
(c) It has made day-to-day life quicker and easier, hasn't it?
(d) At the same time excessive and unwise use of mobile phone is leaving negative impact on social life, isn't it?
(e) Let us put it in proper use, shall we?

6. Adding suffix, prefix or both:

(a) invention; (b) calculation; (c) removed; (d) electronic; (e) independently.

7. Use of prepositions:

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

8. Use of sentence connectors:

(a) But; (b) so; (c) who; (d) and; (e) nor.

9. Punctuation and capitalization

Newspaper contains news and views of life— social and economic, literary and cultural, national and international, political and religious. Daily newspaper contains features of various sorts including science fiction.

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