SSC ● English 2nd Paper ● Model Test with Solution

Model Question—7

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

warn	later	on	after	a	in	to	the

A new variant of (a) ----- COVID-19 virus is spreading worldwide rapidly. (b) ----- WHO named the mutation Omicron, after a letter of the Greek alphabet. It was first reported in Botswana (c) ----- the 9th of November. Two weeks (d) -----, it was detected in South Africa and flagged as (e) ----- virus of concern. Soon (f) ----- this, cases were reported in Hong Kong, Israel, Madagascar and Belgium. Epidemiologists have (g) ----- that this new strain could be extremely infectious. They also said it may be able to evade protections afforded us (h) ----- current vaccines. This has led (i) ----- countries reinstating travel bans. Despite these, new cases have already been reported (j) ----- the UK, Germany and Czech Republic.

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

Rabindranath	spent	sent to school at the early age
He	was	fame for Bangalee nation
He	brought	born in 1861
He		early years in the domestic care
He		a versatile writer

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

realize	provide	give	help	be	render	become	do	serve	turn

Trees (a) ----- useful to man in three very important ways. They (b) ----- him with wood and other products, they (c) ----- him shade and they (d) ----- him prevent drought drought and floods. Unfortunately, in many parts of the world man has (e) ----- that the third of these services is the most important. However, man has (f) ----- ungrateful to trees which (g) ----- service in many ways. Trees are better than friends because friends may (h) ----- enemy for personal interests whereas trees never (i) ----- any harm to us. They (j) ----- us throughout their lives.

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

(a) There are a good number of reasons why the students in Bangladesh fail in English. (Make simple sentence)
(b) Because of foreign language, the students fail in English in a great number. (Make complex sentence)
(c) Students seek the chances to cross barriers of examination. (Make compound sentence)
(d) English is a fearful subject for them. (Make exclamatory sentence)
(e) We must develop the skill of the students in English. (Make negative sentence)
(f) We should teach our students methodically to remove their fear of English. (Make complex sentence)
(g) What an important role teachers play to help the students! (Make assertive sentence)
(h) Teachers should invent new ways of teaching. (Make interrogative sentence)
(i) If they take care of their students, they can teach well. (Make simple sentence)
(j) It is true that students will learn from their teachers. (Make compound sentence)

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

(a) I think you live in an extended family like us, -----?
(b) Yes, I do. But I think a small family is not favourable for our mental growth. -----?
(c) You are right. We have to spend most of the time alone in a house, -----?
(d) This is because our parents cannot spare time for us, -----?
(e) Let us live in an extended family as our grandparents did, -----?

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

The (a) ----- (up) ----- trend of our population has been lessened to some extent. On the other hand, the rate of (b) ----- (literate) ----- people has increased. Female education has got popularity. There has been a noticeable change in the (c) ----- (aware) ----- of rural people. The rural people have also now become more (d) ----- (care) ----- about health and hygiene. They have also given up their traditional (e) ----- (hygiene) ----- habit. In the field of hygiene and sanitation, rural people are not now at all indifferent as before.

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

A good student is fond (a) ----- books. He is attentive (b) ----- his studies. He always tries to cut a good figure (c) -----the examination. He never deviates (d) ----- his duties because he knows every success depends (e) ----- hard work.

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

Undoubtedly, wildlife plays a vital role in the nature. (a) -----, it goes without saying (b) ----- wildlife is the part and parcel of our environment. (c) ----- man and other domestic animals, the rest of the animals live in the forest. The animals living in the forest are called wild animals (d) ----- the manner of their living is known (e) ----- wildlife.

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

mr grasshopper asked mr ant why he worked so hard when there was plenty of food to eat mr ant replied that there was plenty of food then but he asked him what would be about the future

Part—B: Writing (Marks—40)

10. Trees are most important gifts of nature. Write a paragraph in 250 words on 'Tree Plantation'. 10

11. Suppose, you want to participate in Inter-Debate Competition by a national daily. Write an email to the editor requesting him/her for sending you the guidelines and other detail of that competition. 10

12. Physical exercise is the pre-condition of maintaining good health. Write a short composition on 'Physical Exercise' narrating types of physical exercise, the benefits of physical exercise, etc. 20

■■■ Solution to Model Test ■■■

1. Filling in the blanks with clues:
(a) the; (b) The; (c) on; (d) later; (e) a; (f) after: (g) warned; (h) by: (i) to; (j) in.

2. Producing sentences from a substitution table
(i) Rabindranath was born in 1861.
(ii) He spent early years in the domestic care.
(iii) He was sent to school at the early age.
(iv) He was a versatile writer.
(v) He brought fame for Bangalee nation.

3. Right form of verbs:
(a) are; (b) provide; (c) give; (d) help; (e) not realized; (f) become: (g) render: (h) turn; (i) do; (J) serve.

4. Changing sentences:
(a) There are a good number of reasons for the students' failure in English in Bangladesh.
(b) As it is a foreign language, the students fail in English in a great number.
(c) Students want to cross barriers of examination and seek the chances.
(d) What a fearful subject English is for them!
(e) We cannot but develop the skill of the students in English.
(f) We should teach our students methodically which would remove their fear of English.
Or, We should teach our students methodically so that we can remove their fear of English.
(g) Teachers play an important role to help the students.
(h) Shouldn't teachers invent new ways of teaching?
(i) By taking care of their students, they can teach well.
(j) Students will learn from their teachers and it is true.

5. Tag questions:
(a) I think you live in an extended family like us, don't you?
(b) Yes, I do. But I think a small family is not favourable for our mental growth, is it?
(c) You are right. We have to spend most of the time alone in a house, don't we?
(d) This is because our parents cannot spare spare time for us, can they?
(e) Let us live in an extended family as our grandparents did, ents did, shall we?

6. Adding suffix, prefix or both:
(a) upward; (b) illiterate; (c) awareness; (d) careful; (e) hygienic.

7. Use of prepositions:
(a) of: (b) to; (c) in; (d) from; (e) on.

8. Use of sentence connectors:
(a) So; (b) that; (c) Except; (d) because; (e) as.

9. Punctuation and capitalization:
Mr. Grasshopper asked Mr. Ant why he worked so hard when there was plenty of food to eat. Mr. Ant replied that there was plenty of food then. But he asked him what would be about the future.

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