English Second Paper

[According to the Syllabus of 2020]

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

rests	nation	culture	the	walks	throughout	history	tradition	some	number

Festivals have always been integral parts of our tradition and culture. We have a (a) ——— of festivals which we celebrate (b) ——— the year. Some of our (c) ——— festivals are related to our (d) ——— of Independence and Language Movement, (e) ——— are related to our religions and the (f) ——— are related to our art and (g) ———. Whatever may be (h) ——— occasion, people from all (i) ——— of the society take part in these festivals spontaneously, We should continue the (j) ——— of our festivals.

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

Nowadays a good number of farmers are getting benefits (a) ——— the organic cultivation of vegetables. Vermicompost, (b) ——— organic fertilizer made mainly (c) ——— cowdung and earthworm is used by the farmers. As the farmers did not use (d) ——— chemical fertilizer or pesticides on their vegetable beds, the (e) ——— cost has come down. It takes (f) ——— fifty thousand taka to prepare an acre of (g) ——— and the harvest starts within forty-five days (h) ——— planting. Due to good yield of the crop, some temporary warehouses have been made in (i) ——— area. So proper (j) ——— of organic fertilizer can change the scenario of our agricultural sector.

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

Punctuality		one of the most important qualities of a man.
It	should form	the habit of doing a thing in exact time.
In a wider sense it	denotes	the habit of being punctual from one's childhood.
To maintain punctuality	is	necessary for all human beings.
So, one		the process for proper utilization of time.

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

know	hinder	hear	begin	call	remember	inspire	be	bear	join

You must have (a) ——— the name of Kazi Nazrul Islam. He (b) ——— our national poet. He (c) ——— as a rebel poet as well. He (d) ——— in a poor family. But dire needs could not (e) ——— his potentiality. When the First World War broke out, he (f) ——— the army. After the war, he (g) ——— to write poems. At that time his poems and songs (h) ——— people against oppression. He (i) ——— the Shelley of Bangla literature. We should (j) ——— him for his great deeds.

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

"May I come in, sir?" Ripon said to his class teacher. The teacher replied, "Yes, why are you so late today?" "My grandfather suddenly felt severe pain in his chest. So, I rushed to hospital with him," "May Allah grant him quick recovery," said the teacher.

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

(a) Cricket is a very exciting game. (Exclamatory sentence) (b) People of all ages enjoy this game. (Passive voice) (c) It is played all over the world. (Active voice) (d) At present, it is the most popular game in our country. (Comparative Degree) (e) Though cricket is a costly game, people of all classes enjoy playing it. (Simple sentence) (f) The game is played between two teams each consisting of eleven players. (Complex sentence) (g) There are two umpires who conduct the game. (Simple sentence) (h) It is full of thrill and excitement for the spectators. (Interrogative sentence) (i) Bangladesh is a test playing country developing its standard day by day. (Compound sentence) (j) We must try our best to improve its present position. (Negative sentence without changing meaning)

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

(a) It matters little to me whether ——. (b) He pretended as if ——. (c) If I had the wings of a bird, ——. (d) Take your umbrella lest ——. (e) Hardly had he started for school ——.

8. Complete the text adding suffixes, prefixes or the both with the root words given in the parenthesis. 10

Education is essential for any kind of (a) develop. The poor socio-economic condition of our country can be (b) large attributed to many people's (c) accessibility to education. Many (d) literate people do not have any knowledge of health, sanitation and (e) populate control. It (f) able us to perform our duties (g) proper. Education helps us to adopt a (h) ration attitude. It provides us with an (i) lightened awareness about things and this awareness is (j) requisite for social development.

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

(a) Nothing is more pleasant than the memories of childhood, ——? (b) We hardly forget the golden past, ——? (c) The memories of my childhood still attract me, ——? (d) Simple things are at the centre of attraction for a child, ——? (e) When a man grows up, he may laugh at those things, ——?

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

Women are nowadays as important as men in the society. They constitute nearly half of our total population. (a) —— there can be no denying the fact (b) —— they too possess equal rights and duties (c) —— men do. They have noble mission to fulfil as men. (d) —— they get opportunity, their genius, powers (e) —— capacities will bloom fully.

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

would you please tell me one reason of air pollution yes the smoke from our household activities vehicles factories etc is mainly causing air pollution.

Part B : Composition (40 Marks)

12. Suppose, you are Ramisa/Rahim. After graduation you have completed a diploma course on Tourism. You have seen a vacancy advertisement for the post of a Public Relation Officer in a renowned travel company named "ABC Travels Limited". Now, write a CV with a cover letter for the post. Your CV should not exceed one page. 8

13. Suppose, you are Mita/Mithu, a student of class X reading in Nurpur High School, Kushtia. There is a lack of quality books in your school library. Now, write an application to the Headmaster on behalf of the students of your school to increase the number of quality books in the library. 10

14. Trees are the most important gift of nature. But cutting down trees affects our environment greatly. Now, write a paragraph in 250 words on "The Bad Impacts of deforestation". 10

15. Students are the future leaders of society. They can contribute to the society not only with their education but also with other services. Write a composition on "Students and Social Services". 12

ANSWER

Answer to the Question no-01

(a) number (b) throughout (c) national (d) history (e) some (f) rests (g) culture (h) the (i) walks (j) tradition

Answer to the Question no-02

(a) from (b) called (c) from (d) any (e) production (f) about/around/only (g) land (h) since/from (i) surrounding/neighbouring (j) use

Answer to the Question no-03

(a) Punctuality denotes the habit of doing a thing in exact time. (b) It is one of the most important qualities of a man. (c) In a wider sense it is the process for proper utilization of time. (d) To maintain punctuality is necessary for all human beings. (e) So, one should form the habit of being punctual from one's childhood.

Answer to the Question no-04

(a) heard (b) is (c) is known (d) was born (e) hinder (f) joined (g) began (h) inspired (i) is called (j) remember

Answer to the Question no-05

Ripon respectfully asked his class teacher if he (R) might go in. The teacher replied in the affirmative and asked him (R) why he (R) was so late that day. He (R) replied that his grandfather suddenly had felt severe pain in his (g) chest, and added that for that reason he (R) had rushed to hospital with him (g). The teacher wished that Allah might grant him quick recovery.

Answer to the Question no-06

(a) What an exciting game cricket is!
(b) This game is enjoyed by people of all ages.
(c) People play it all over the world.
(d) At present it is more popular than any other game in our country.
(e) In spite of cricket being a costly game, people of all classes enjoy playing it.
(f) The game is played between two teams each of which consists of eleven players.
(g) There are two umpires to conduct the game.
(h) Isn't it full of thrill and excitement for the spectators?
(i) Bangladesh is a test playing country and it is developing its standard day by day.
(j) We cannot but try our best to improve its present position.

Answer to the Question no-07

(a) It matters little to me whether you like me or not. (b) He pretended as if he were innocent. (c) If I had the wings of a bird, I would fly in the sky. (d) Take your umbrella lest you should be drenched in the rain. (e) Hardly had he started for school when the rain started.

Answer to the Question no-08

(a) development (b) largely (c) inaccessibility (d) illiterate (e) population (f) enables (g) properly (h) rational (i) enlightened (j) prerequisite

Answer to the Question no-09

(a) Nothing is more pleasant than the memories of childhood, is it? (b) We hardly forget the golden past, do we? (c) The memories of my childhood still attract me, don't they? (d) Simple things are at the centre of attraction for a child, aren't they? (e) When a man grows up, he may laugh at those things, mayn't he?

Answer to the Question no-10

(a) In fact (b) that (c) as (d) If (e) and

Answer to the Question no-11

"Would you please tell me one reason of air pollution?" "Yes, the smoke from our household activities, vehicles, factories etc is mainly causing air pollution."

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

Try Yourself.