English Second Paper

[According to the Syllabus of 2025]

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

by	down	but	from	unnecessary
one	physical	health	any	like

There are different kinds of exercises— (a) — free hand exercises, yoga, weight lifting, gymnastics and so on. Free hand exercises help (b) — to get sound health. Walking is good for all. For the children running, swimming and playing ordinary games are suitable. In our country, some people do not take physical exercise. They think that it is (c) — and mere killing of time. (d) — in fact, they are wrong. (e) — taking physical exercise, we can remain (f) — and do our respective jobs properly. Without physical exercise our health breaks (g) — and we suffer (h) — various diseases and complications. We should take exercise according to our age and (i) — condition. Then we can be benefited easily from (j) — kinds of exercise.

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

Price hike means increasing price of daily necessaries. When the price of (a) _____ things goes beyond the purchasing capacity of the general people. There are many reasons (b) _____ price hike. First price hike occurs because of (c) _____ disasters. In our country natural disaster like flood and (d) _____ occur almost every year. Flood damages (e) _____ crops of the country. So the supply of goods falls short in proportion (f) _____ our population. Hoarding is another cause of price hike. The dishonest businessmen create artificial (g) _____ of food grains. It causes (h) _____ sufferings to the poor and the (i) _____ class people. To remove this problem the dishonest businessmen and the hoarders should be punished. The government should also monitor and take proper (j) _____ to control the abnormal price hike.

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

An educated mother	can be	educated her children will be educated.
Educated mothers		always in touch with its mother.
An educated nation	should	raise their children best.
A child		the key role in building up an educated nation.
If the mother	plays	be indebted to its educated mothers.

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

damage	**result**	**be**	**rise**	**try**
overcome	**bread**	**act**	**build**	**compare**

Self-control is considered a great power. It (a) _____ all other virtues. Man usually (b) _____ on impulses and strong desires. Vicious desires (c) _____ the purity of heart and mind (d) _____ in the degeneration of human nature. It (e) _____ self-control that can help a man (f) _____ up a pure character which is very essential to (g) _____ above the level of inhumanity. Nothing can (h) _____ to self-control to (i) _____ inhumanity. So, everybody (j) _____ to be self-controlled.

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

"How is your mother, Rakib?" asked Mrs. Jamil. "She is very well, thank you," Rakib replied. "She has been ill but now she is quite well." "I am very glad to hear that she is better," said Mrs. Jamil.

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

(a) A successful man is greater than any other asset to a country. (Positive)
(b) However, being a successful man is a complicated task. (Negative)
(c) We have to be industrious to prosper in life. (Imperative)
(d) The idle always lag behind. (Complex)
(e) We must work hard so that we can earn money. (Simple)
(f) By working hard, we can improve our lot. (Compound)
(g) The light of prosperity can be seen by a hard working person. (Active)
(h) Women should work as much as men. (Comparative)
(i) We should remember that industry is the key to success. (Passive)
(j) An idle man leads a very miserable life. (Exclamatory)

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

(a) Hardly had we heard the news _____.
(b) Had I the wings of a bird, _____.
(c) _____ lest you might miss the train.
(d) He disturbed me while _____.
(e) It is high time _____.

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

Smart Bangladesh is a new term. It refers to the vision of (a) -- (make) -- Bangladesh technologically advanced and digitally (b) -- (empower) -- nation. The (c) -- (govern) -- has changed the name of (d) -- (digit) -- Bangladesh to smart Bangladesh. Smart Bangladesh means making smart citizens, society, economy and smart government. Activities in (e) -- (educate) -- health, agriculture and financial sector will be (f) -- (transform) -- into smart system. In smart Bangladesh, everything will be done (g) -- (technology) -- and also the urban (h) -- (admin) -- will be directed by the computer and internet. A smart village will be a rural community where local citizens can connect with the (i) -- (globe) -- market through the use of digital technology and open innovative platforms. Smart Bangladesh is not just a vision but a reality that (j) -- (rapid) -- taking shape and marching ahead.

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

(a) Don't make late. Let's go, ____?
(b) A barking dog seldom bites, ____?
(c) Money is a must for life, ____?
(d) Everybody believes this truth, ____?
(e) The teacher says, 'Charity begins at home', ____?

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

Some people think that blood donation is so serious loss from their body. It cannot be recovered (a) — it may cause serious health problem. (b) — this concept is completely wrong. (c) — most people (d) — the educated people do not have clear conception on the process of blood donation and its facts correctly. The fact is (e) — red blood cells in our body are reproduced again within 120 days after blood donation.

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

have you heard the name of alexander asked mr ahmed no sir abu replied how strange it is said he.

Part B : Composition (40 Marks)

12. Suppose, you are Omal Borua. You have recently passed HSC. You have found a job advertisement in a national newspaper that there is a vacant post for the position of a Salesman in a manufacturing company. Now, write a CV with a cover letter for the post. 8

13. Suppose, you are Munna/Munni, a student of Govt. M.C. Academy, Sylhet. You don't have a computer club in your school. Now, write an application to your Head teacher to set up a Computer Club. 10

14. Write a paragraph on 'The Life of a Farmer.' 10

15. Write a composition on 'Your Favourite Game' in about 250 words. 12

ANSWER

1. Fill in the blanks with words from the box:

(a) **like**
(b) **one**
(c) **unnecessary**
(d) **But**
(e) **By**
(f) **healthy**
(g) **down**
(h) **from**
(i) **physical**
(j) **any**

2. Fill in the blanks with suitable words:

(a) **essential**
(b) **for**
(c) **natural**
(d) **cyclone**
(e) **standing**
(f) **to**
(g) **shortage**
(h) **severe**
(i) **middle**
(j) **steps**

3. Make five sentences:

1. **An educated mother can be educated her children will be educated.**
2. **Educated mothers are always in touch with its mother.**
3. **An educated nation should raise their children best.**
4. **A child plays the key role in building up an educated nation.**
5. **If the mother plays, the child will be indebted to its educated mothers.**

4. Complete the text with the right verb forms:

(a) **compares**
(b) **acts**
(c) **damage**
(d) **result**

(e) **is**
(f) **build**
(g) **rise**
(h) **compare**
(i) **overcome**
(j) **tries**

5. Change the narrative style (Direct to Indirect Speech):

Mrs. Jamil asked Rakib how his mother was. Rakib replied that she was very well and thanked her. He added that she had been ill but was then quite well. Mrs. Jamil expressed that she was very glad to hear that she was better.

6. Change the sentences according to directions:

(a) **No other asset to a country is as great as a successful man.**
(b) **However, being a successful man is not a simple task.**
(c) **Be industrious to prosper in life.**
(d) **Those who are idle always lag behind.**
(e) **We must work hard to earn money.**
(f) **Work hard, and we can improve our lot.**
(g) **A hard-working person can see the light of prosperity.**
(h) **Women should work no less than men.**
(i) **It should be remembered that industry is the key to success.**
(j) **What a miserable life an idle man leads!**

7. Complete the sentences:

(a) **Hardly had we heard the news when the phone rang.**
(b) **Had I the wings of a bird, I would fly away.**
(c) **Hurry up lest you might miss the train.**
(d) **He disturbed me while I was studying.**
(e) **It is high time we left.**

8. Add suffixes/prefixes:

(a) **making**
(b) **empowered**
(c) **government**
(d) **Digital**
(e) **education**

(f) **transformed**
(g) **technologically**
(h) **administration**
(i) **global**
(j) **rapidly**

9. Add tag questions:

(a) **Don’t make late. Let’s go, shall we?**
(b) **A barking dog seldom bites, does it?**
(c) **Money is a must for life, isn’t it?**
(d) **Everybody believes this truth, don’t they?**
(e) **The teacher says, ‘Charity begins at home’, doesn’t he/she?**

10. Complete the passage with connectors:

(a) **as**
(b) **But**
(c) **Even**
(d) **including**
(e) **that**

11. Use capitals and punctuation marks:

"Have you heard the name of Alexander?" asked Mr. Ahmed. "No, sir," Abu replied. "How strange it is!" said he.

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