

Chattogram Board-2023

English Second Paper

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(According to the Syllabus of 2023)

Time : 3 hours; Total Marks : 100

[N.B. The figures in the right margin indicate full marks.]

Part A : Grammar (60 Marks)

1. **Fill in the blanks with prepositions, articles and zero articles :** 0.5 × 10 = 5

George Washington was the first president of America. This great man was obedient (a) — his parents. (b) — the age of 15 he decided to go (c) — studies at (d) — excellent school in Europe, where his brother was studying and had made all (e) — preparations for crossing (f) — Atlantic Ocean. He ordered his people to put his necessary things (g) — the ship. As he was preparing to leave, he went to see his (h) — mother. She was not happy thinking that her son had to struggle (i) — lot to acquire (j) — education only at 15. So, Washington did not go.

2. **Fill in the blanks with suitable words from the box :** 0.5 × 10 = 5

added	brought	later	origin	when
seeds	chocolate	tree	vanilla	produce

About one thousand years ago, chocolate was so valuable that it was used as money! Chocolate comes from the Cacao (a) — that grows near the equator. (b) — the trees are seen to (c) — pods, the farmers collect the (d) — from them. Then sugar, cinnamon, (e) —, milk and other spices are (f) — to the matured seeds. The (g) — of chocolate is interesting. Columbus (h) — Cacao beans to Spain first. (i) —, people learned how to change (j) — from liquid to solid. And by 1847, they started enjoying chocolate candy bars!

3. **Make six sentences using parts of sentences from each column of the table below:** 1 × 6 = 6

Punctuality	is can be brought should form denotes	the habit of doing a thing in its exact time
It		the habit of being punctual from one's childhood
Nothing		a good habit
In a wide sense, it		necessary for all human beings
Maintaining punctuality		the process for proper utilization of time
So, one		to a conclusion without punctuality

4. **Complete the following text with right forms of the verbs given in the box. Use negative if necessary :** 1 × 10 = 10

visit	pay	hear	call	appear
live	visit	hear	live	think

Abdur Rahman is a student. He (a) — in the SSC Exam this year. He (b) — in Chattogram. He (c) — there since his birth, but he (d) — St. Martins Island yet. He (e) — a lot about the beauty of St. Martin's Island. (f) — those he becomes very eager (g) — a visit there. As he is free now, he thinks that he (h) — the island now. (i) — this he becomes so excited that he (j) — his friends to a meeting.

5. **Change the sentences according to the directions :** 1 × 10 = 10

- Copying in the exams is one of the greatest social crimes. (Positive)
- It is a very serious crime. (Exclamatory)
- A student copying in the exam only deceives himself. (Negative)
- Copying in the exam cannot bring any benefit. (Passive)
- What a shameful practice it is! (Assertive)
- By resisting this malady, we can strengthen our education. (Passive)
- We all should come forward to stop it and save our students. (Imperative)
- Our examination system should be moderated. (Active)
- Nothing is as hateful as copying in the exam. (Comparative)
- The government is sincere in removing this crime. (Negative)

6. Complete the following sentences using conditionals, infinitives, gerunds and participles. 1 × 5 = 5

- (a) A cobbler was happy to —.
- (b) He had a neighbour —.
- (c) The neighbour wanted to help him by —.
- (d) —, the cobbler lost happiness.
- (e) But if he had not taken the money from his neighbour, —.

7. Complete the text adding suffixes, prefixes or the both to the root words given in the parenthesis: 0.5 × 14 = 7

Vocabulary is very important in learning a language properly. To (a) — (rich) your vocabulary, you have to read books and learn new words by knowing their meanings (b) — (accurate). You may use a dictionary to know the (c) — (known) words or try to understand the (d) — (context) meaning of them. Repeated reading will help you understand the (e) — (specify) topic (f) — (clear) and use them in (g) — (vary) situations. Language learning is a (h) — (continue) process and your (i) — (proficient) will come today or tomorrow. What is needed most is (j) — (continue). It also needs your (k) — (sincere). A common language is required for (l) — (interact) among people from (m) — (differ) countries and contexts. Without a common language it is difficult to perform activities at the (n) — (nation) level. English has assumed the position of that common language.

8. Make tag questions of these statements : 1 × 7 = 7

- (a) Nobody trust a liar, —?
- (b) A liar has to lead a miserable life, —?
- (c) Speaking the truth is a good exercise, —?
- (d) Everybody should have the habit of speaking the truth, —?
- (e) Many are often found telling a lie out of fun, —?
- (f) But it is not desirable, —?
- (g) Let us always speak the truth, —?

9. Use punctuation marks where necessary in the following text : 0.5 × 10 = 5

My dear friends I am here to tell you about an important discovery said the cunning fox I have discovered that tails are unnecessary How strange Is it unnecessary said the other foxes.

Part B : Composition (40 Marks)

- 10.** Suppose, you are Malek/Maleka. Recently you have passed MBA from a renowned university. You are in need of a job and have seen a job advertisement in a daily newspaper for the position of a "Junior Officer" in Almas Bank Ltd. Now, write a CV with a cover letter for the post. Your CV should not exceed one page. 15
- 11.** Suppose, you are an inhabitant of Rahimanagar under Chandpur district. Your locality is badly affected by antisocial activities like eve-teasing, hijacking and taking drugs. Now, write a letter to the Superintendent of Police of your district complaining against the fact. 10
- 12.** A rickshaw puller is a very familiar figure in our country. He plays a great role in our communication system. But he leads a very miserable life, for financial problem. Now, write a paragraph on 'The Life of a Rickshaw Puller'. 15