

Cumilla Board-2023

English Second Paper

Subject Code

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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 gaps with suitable preposition, articles and zero articles :** 0.5 × 10 = 5

Washing hands regularly is (a) — important activity. It keeps us safe (b) — coronavirus. How you wash your hand is also very (c) — important. First, you have to wet your hands (d) — clean, running water and apply soap. Then, rub your hands together with (e) — soap to create foam. Lather the backs of your hands, (f) — your fingers and (g) — your nails. Remember, you have to scrub your hands (h) — at least 20 seconds. After that, rinse your hands well with clean and running water. Finally, dry your hands using (i) — clean towel or tissue paper. Learn the process (j) — washing hands and also educate your friends about it.

2. **Fill in the blanks with the words from the box. You may need to change the forms of some of the words :**

0.5 × 10 = 5

daughter	to	any	an	and
live	such	be	the	and

The development of a nation is not (a) — easy task. It depends on the willingness (b) — sacrificing attitude of the valiant sons and (c) — of the soil. They do not work for (d) — appreciation or reward for themselves. Their vision (e) — to make the world a better place (f) — live in. They are always proud of (g) — selfless ventures. Their mission is to serve (h) — greater interest of humanity. They spend their (i) — for the welfare of people, the society (j) — the country as a whole.

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

Reading newspaper	is called	our outlook and enriches our wisdom.
Newspaper	broadens	the news and views of home and abroad by reading newspaper.
It	be	us false news which is harmful for a peaceful society.
One	gives	a very good habit.
Sometimes it	can get	the store house of knowledge.
		a source of entertainment too.

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

can	be	find	have	fix
stumble	endow	evaluate	possess	consult

A proverb goes that a man without an aim is a ship without a rudder. Likewise, a man without an aim (a) — reach his goal. He (b) — in his way of life. So everyman should (c) — a definite aim. But nothing is more difficult than the choice of profession. Students (d) — it very difficult to choose a suitable profession. Choosing profession becomes very difficult because there (e) — many paths and courses open to them. They should (f) — their aim according to the abilities they are (g) — with. All (h) — the same abilities and aptitude. Students may (i) — their teachers who are able to (j) — their abilities.

5. **Change the following sentences as directed in brackets :** 1 × 10 = 10

- We are grateful to the freedom fighters. (Negative)
- Their contribution is greater than any other thing. (Superlative)
- You should never disrespect or forget our martyrs. (Imperative)
- The national memorial has been built with a view to paying tribute to their memories. (Active)
- A freedom fighter is the greatest son of the soil. (Comparative)

- (f) We got our independence for their sacrifice. (Passive)
- (g) They fought very bravely to snatch the red sun of independence. (Exclamatory)
- (h) Their courage was more powerful than their weapons. (Positive)
- (i) Their contribution will never be forgotten. (Active)
- (j) The government has taken some steps to improve their condition. (Passive)

6. Complete the following sentences :

$1 \times 5 = 5$

- (a) It is price hike which is considered —.
- (b) People of low income do not know how —.
- (c) The businessmen — are responsible for price hike.
- (d) Of course, there are some other issues — for price hike like Russian-Ukraine war.
- (e) — is really very difficult.

7. Complete the text adding suffixes, prefixes or the both to the root words given in the parentheses: $0.5 \times 14 = 7$

Facebook is a social (a) — (network) site. It has gained much (b) — (popular) among the young (c) — (generate). Sometimes, our young generation waste their (d) — (value) time by (e) — (browse) facebook. So, in this respect parental (f) — (supervise) is a must. Many people (g) — (fine) facebook as an (h) — (embarrass) (i) — (invade) on others' (j) — (person) privacy. However, it plays a (k) — (signify) role in (l) — (socialize) as well as (m) — (nature) understanding and (n) — (operation).

8. Make tag questions of these statements :

$1 \times 7 = 7$

- (a) At present, everybody likes cricket, —?
- (b) Students hardly miss watching this game, —?
- (c) Nothing is more enjoyable to them than cricket, —?
- (d) How exciting the game is! —?
- (e) Let's play this game, —?
- (f) Sakib Al Hasan is my favorite cricketer, —?
- (g) It would be difficult to think of Bangladesh cricket without him, —?

9. Use punctuation marks where necessary in the following text :

$0.5 \times 10 = 5$

"Where are you going now Karim Said I am going to hospital My brother is ill I've to stay with him in the hospital

Part B : Composition (40 Marks)

- 10. Suppose, you are Mugdha. You have seen a vacancy for the post of a Medical Representative in the Square Pharmaceuticals Ltd. Now, write a CV with a cover letter for the post. Your CV should not exceed one page. 15
- 11. Suppose, you are Karim/Kabita, one of the inhabitants of Dinajpur City Corporation. Recently the roads of your locality have been unusable due to heavy rainfalls and the sewerage drains are being hampered to flow to water. People and the school going students can not go to their offices, shops, schools and other places. Now, write a letter to the Mayor of your City Corporation complaining about the sufferings of the common people. 10
- 12. Write a paragraph on 'A Street Hawker'. 15