

Rajshahi 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 gaps with suitable prepositions, articles and zero articles (a, an, the or ×) :** 0.5 × 10 = 5

Rangamati is one (a) — most attractive hilly districts of Bangladesh. It is located (b) — the western bank of Kaptai lake. Most of the visitors visit the place for its (c) — eye-catching natural beauty. Nature has adorned this town (d) — all the elements of beauty. (e) — hills covered with green trees present (f) — unique sight. There are many tourist spots here. The suspension bridge of Rangamati is (g) — attraction for the tourists. It is also a home of several (h) — ethnic groups. (i) — trip to Rangamati would be (j) — outstanding experience for the nature lovers.

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

trade	tour	era	without	consider
dream	poor	off	grow	mega

The Padma multi-purpose bridge has opened a new (a) — in the history of Bangladesh. This (b) — project has been implemented (c) — any foreign aid. The southern 21 districts were cut (d) — from the mainland by the mighty Padma river. So, this vast area could not keep pace with the other parts (e) — economic development. But, direct connection with the capital by this bridge is going to expand (f) — and commerce. Besides (g) — is also going to speed up. All these are contributing a lot to our economic (h) — and surely reduce the (i) — of those regions. The construction of the bridge which was our long-cherished (j) — at last came true.

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

Wildlife	is	on wildlife.
Balance of ecosystem largely	refers	harmful to wildlife.
Any development	depends	to all animals, plants found in the forests.
Urbanization and industrialization	should take	be extinct.
As a result, many animals	have also increased	united efforts to protect wildlife.
For our own existence, we	are going to	deforestation to a great extent.

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

obey	ensure	be	expect	refer
have	require	respect	hamper	reflect

Social value (a) — to customs, beliefs, special practices and norms. It (b) — the culture of a nation. It (c) — great educative value in our life. In the past, people were very much conscious of (d) — social value in each and every walk of life. Earlier each and every person (e) — very careful of social value. But at present our social value is in a great threat. Young people don't (f) — duly to their elders that results in social degradation. As a result, peace and order and decent life are greatly (g) —. So with a view to (h) — peace and order in the society, social value is badly (i) —. Without social value we can't (j) — decent, comfortable, happy and peaceful life.

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

- Newspaper is one of the most useful sources of knowledge. (Positive)
- It carries both local and international news. (Negative)
- It reflects the whole world like a mirror. (Interrogative)
- We cannot help reading newspaper daily. (Affirmative)
- It contains daily news. (Passive)

- (f) We are helped in many ways by it. (Active)
- (g) By reading newspaper, we can enrich our knowledge. (Negative)
- (h) It is called the people's parliament. (Active)
- (i) Nothing is so important as it. (Comparative)
- (j) We should read newspaper to know the outside world more. (Imperative)

6. Complete the following sentences :

1 × 5 = 5

- (a) "Health is wealth," —.
- (b) Everybody should realize this truth to —.
- (c) If we follow the rules of health —.
- (d) One can keep oneself safe by —.
- (e) Immune system can be developed by —.

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

Bangladesh is mainly a (a) — (river) and (b) — (agriculture) country. (c) — (major) of her people live in villages and most of them are farmers. (d) — (fortunate), the condition of our farmers is (e) — (satisfactory). They can (f) — (hard) lead a carefree life. Their life is full of miseries and (g) — (advantages). They can't plough their land (h) — (proper) due to (i) — (finance) and (j) — (technology) support. They need assistance from the (k) — (govern) to come out of their age-old (l) — (convention) method. Scientific system of cultivation is going to be (m) — (gradual) successful and (n) — (effect).

8. Make tag questions of the following statements :

1 × 7 = 7

- (a) War is a curse of human civilization, —?
- (b) Everybody suffers from it, —?
- (c) Massive destruction is found everywhere, —?
- (d) None can escape from the bombings of the enemy, —?
- (e) Women and children are the worst sufferers, —?
- (f) Nobody supports the war, —?
- (g) Let's avoid war to live in peace, —?

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

0.5 × 10 = 5

once my mother said to me who came to you my friend rafi q mom she asked what did he want i said his mother is ill he needs some money i have given him five hundred taka my mother said wonderful

Part B : Composition (40 Marks)

- 10. Suppose, some junior officers will be appointed in Dhaka Bank Ltd. You, Samin/Samia are interested to be a junior officer. Now, write a CV with a cover letter for the above post. 15
- 11. Suppose, you are Nadir/Nadira, a student of Nurpur school. There are lack of common room facilities. Now, write a complaint letter to the Headmaster of your school to increase common room facilities as soon as possible. 10
- 12. Write a paragraph on 'Our National Flag'. 15