

Cumilla Board-2025

03 Set

English Second Paper

Subject Code

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[According to the Syllabus of 2025]

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 the words from the box. You may need to change the form of some of the words. You may need to use one word more than once.** 0.5 × 10 = 5

sphere	any	strong	that	character
environment	whether	first	moral	

Our children should be taught morality from the very beginning of their life. It should be started from home (a) —. In order to teach morality to our children we should practise it in every (b) — of our life. Parents should be careful in all their activities because children usually imitate their parents. Especially they imitate their mothers. So, each and every mother should practise (c) — in her life. We, the parents should be careful (d) — we are speaking the truth or not. It should be ensured at every home that we are not getting involved in (e) — immoral act. It should also be ensured that morality is taught at school. Our books should also be designed in such a way (f) — they can teach the children morality. The concerned authority has to ensure that people having (g) — moral character will only be appointed as teachers. When a child will find an (h) — enlightened with morality in every sphere of his/her life, he/she will get inspired to be (i) — developed. Thus we can develop the moral (j) — of our generation.

2. **Fill in the blanks with suitable words.** 0.5 × 10 = 5
- Punctuality is a great virtue. We cannot attain success unless we are (a) —. A punctual person completes all his (b) — in time. He is honoured everywhere. For being punctual, he does not feel any (c) —. In fact, he feels (d) — because he knows that he can complete his tasks timely. He can also concentrate on other (e) — in a relaxed mood. So, a punctual man is (f) — of doing any difficult work properly. On the other hand, a lazy person cannot feel easy for a single (g) — as he knows (h) — he cannot complete any of his works timely. For this (i) —, he becomes frustrated and cannot enjoy his (j) — fully.

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

Physical exercise	be	physical exercise regularly.
It	help	very essential for our health.
If we don't	take	us to be healthy and keep fit.
So, we should		physical exercise regularly, we cannot perform our duties properly.
		keep our minds fresh too.

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

pay	stay	remain	cook	spend
get	enjoy	be	spend	read

I have a friend named Alisha. She and I (a) — in the same class in the same school. Though we (b) — from the same village, we are good friends. During last winter I (c) — a chance (d) — a visit to her village and I (e) — a happy time there. While I (f) — in her village, I (g) — many delicious dishes which (h) — by Alisha's mother. Actually, I wanted (i) — some more days there. But, as I had some other plans, I had to come back. The memory of that visit (j) — ever fresh in my mind.

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

"Why have you been absent from the class for a long time? Your exam is knocking at the door," said the teacher angrily. "Sorry, Sir, I will never be irregular again," said Raju. Actually I have been suffering from Dengue fever." "Be regular from now on," the teacher said.

6. **Change the sentences according to directions in the brackets.** 1 × 10 = 10

- We have faced a very severe flood recently. (Exclamatory)
- The recent flood was one of the most devastating floods in our country. (Positive)
- Many people of the flood affected area became homeless. (Interrogative)
- Many conscious people came forward to help the flood victims. (Complex)
- The young generation showed very positive attitude in this regard. (Negative)
- They extended their helping hands to mitigate the sufferings of the flood victims. (Complex)
- In fact, they could not but come forward. (Affirmative)
- Collecting subscription, they bought relief goods for the flood affected people. (Compound)
- They took part in the rescue mission as skillfully as the trained workers. (Comparative)
- They were praised highly by the people of the whole country. (Active)

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

- illiteracy is a curse.
- We should try our level best —.
- In order to eradicate illiteracy our government —.
- Conscious people of the society should also come forward with a view to —.
- if all the people of our country were educated.

8. **Complete the text adding suffixes, prefixes or the both with the root words given in the parenthesis.** 0.5 × 10 = 5

Malnutrition is a great problem in our society. It is because our common people are very often (a) — (aware) of the food value. They don't know which foods are (b) — (nutrition) and which foods are not. They only prefer costly and (c) — (taste) food. For this reason, many of them suffer from (d) — (very) health problems. Many of the parents let their (e) — (child) eat excessive fast food. As a result, children get (f) — (bulk) and lead an (g) — (health) life. Though some people spend much money for food, they hardly understand the (h) — (important) of a balanced diet and for eating (i) — (proper) diet their children suffer from the (j) — (deficient) of vitamins, minerals or other elements of foods and for this reason, they cannot enjoy a healthy life.

9. Make tag questions of the following statements.

1 × 5 = 5

- Our new English teacher is very affectionate, —?
- She has joined recently, —?
- She never scolds her students, —?
- Each of her students loves her, —?
- None of her students dislikes her, —?

10. Complete the passage using suitable connectors.

1 × 5 = 5

Our environment is getting polluted in many ways. (a) — our air is being polluted by smoke from vehicles, household wastes, industrial wastes, smoke from burning fuels and so on. (b) —, water is being polluted for using insanitary latrines, for using pesticides in croplands, for industrial wastes (c) — for many other reasons. Another form of pollution is sound pollution. (d) —, this pollution occurs because of our unconsciousness. (e) —, we all should be conscious of the side effects of any kind of pollution and act accordingly to lead a healthier and happier life.

11. Use capital letters and punctuation marks where necessary in the following text.

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Part B: Composition (40 Marks)

12. Suppose, you are Limon/Lima and have completed your MA in English. Recently you have seen an advertisement that an English Teacher will be appointed in 'X' High School in Dhaka. Now, write a CV with a cover letter for the post. Your CV should not exceed one page. 8

13. Suppose, you are Atique/Atia and you read in class nine in BBM High School, Rajshahi. Your school is a renowned school in your area but there is no debating club in your school. Now, write an application to your headmaster for establishing a debating club in your school. 10

14. Write a paragraph on "A Moonlit Night". 10

15. Write a composition on "The Importance of Physical Exercise". 12

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- (a) first; (b) sphere; (c) morality; (d) whether; (e) any; (f) that; (g) strong; (h) environment; (i) morally; (j) character.
- (a) punctual; (b) work/tasks; (c) pressure; (d) relaxed/confident/relieved; (e) tasks/activities; (f) capable; (g) moment; (h) that; (i) reason; (j) life.
- (a) Physical exercise is very essential for our health.
(b) It helps us to be healthy and keep fit.
(c) It helps keep our minds fresh too.
(d) If we don't take physical exercise regularly, we cannot perform our duties properly.
(e) So, we should take physical exercise regularly.
- (a) read; (b) are not; (c) got; (d) to pay; (e) spent; (f) was staying; (g) enjoyed; (h) were cooked; (i) to spend; (j) will remain.
- The teacher asked Raju angrily why he had been absent from the class for a long time and told him that his exam was knocking at the door. Raju apologized and respectfully replied that he would never be irregular again. He also added that actually he had been suffering from Dengue fever. Then the teacher advised him to be regular from then on.
- (a) What a severe flood we have faced recently!
(b) Very few floods in our country were as devastating as the recent flood.
(c) Didn't many people of the flood affected area become homeless?
(d) Many people who were conscious came forward to help the flood victims.
(e) The young generation did not show negative attitude in this regard.
(f) They extended their helping hands so that they could mitigate the sufferings of the flood victims.
(g) In fact, they had to come forward.
(h) They collected subscription and bought relief goods for the flood affected people.
(i) They took part in the rescue mission not less skillfully than the trained workers.
(j) The people of the whole country highly praised them.
- (a) It is known to us that illiteracy is a curse.
(b) We should try our level best to eradicate illiteracy.
(c) In order to eradicate illiteracy our government should take effective steps.
(d) Conscious people of the society should also come forward with a view to educating the illiterate people.
(e) It would be a blessing if all the people of our country were educated.
- (a) unaware; (b) nutritious; (c) tasty; (d) various; (e) children; (f) bulky; (g) unhealthy; (h) importance; (i) improper; (j) deficiency.
- (a) Our new English teacher is very affectionate, isn't she?
(b) She has joined recently, hasn't she?
(c) She never scolds her students, does she?
(d) Each of her students loves her, don't they?
(e) None of her students dislikes her, do they?
- (a) For example/For instance; (b) Similarly; (c) and; (d) Actually/In fact; (e) So/Therefore/Hence/That's why.
- "What a beautiful sight it is!" said Rabita. "In fact, Allah has created this universe very wonderfully," said Rukaiya.

For Question No. 12, 13, 14 & 15, See Composition Part