

Dhaka Board-2016

[English (Compulsory) 2nd Paper]

Part A : Grammar (60 marks)

1. Fill in the blanks with the words from the box. You may need to change the form of the words. You may need to use one word more than once:- 0.5×10=5

with	at	a	bread	dislike	responsible	to	of	privilege	in
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We live in society. So we must learn how to live (a) — peace and amity (b) — others. We have to respect others rights and (c) — and liking and (d) — as we expect others to respect us. We have (e) — lot of duties and (f) — in society. Education should aim (g) — making each individual fully aware (h) — these duties and responsibilities. It is true that one has (i) — learn how to earn the (j) —.

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

Illiteracy is not (a) — boon to us. It is undoubtedly a (b) —. It hinders all kinds (c) — development of a country. Illiteracy causes great (d) — to us. Since we are not (e) — of the gravity of the problem, we cannot take steps to increase our (f) — rate. As a result, we are (g) — behind. We have to depend (h) — the foreign aids. So, all should come forward (i) — to remove illiteracy. Then, the (j) — of our country will be possible.

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

Copying in the examination	copy	as hateful as copying in the exam.
It	is	in the exam deceive themselves.
The students who	cannot	a social crime.
Nothing	hinders	bring any benefit.
		our education and development.

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

build	idle	remember	be	work
lag	reach	depend	lead	follow

Bangladesh is full of natural resources. The prosperity of the country (a) — on the proper utilization of the resources. We should not (b) — a lazy life. We should all (c) — up our country. For this reason, we have to (d) — hard. No nation can prosper without industry. It should be (e) — that industry is the key to success. If we (f) — the days away, we (g) — behind. The nations that (h) — industrious (i) — the pinnacle of development. So we (j) — them.

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

The police officer said to Mita, "How can I help you?" Mita replied, "While I was coming home alone by a taxi last night, two snatchers rode into my taxi." "Did they snatch anything from you?" "Yes sir, they took away my cell phone and some money," said Mita. "Let me record a complaint," said the police officer.

6. Change the sentences according to directions:- 1×10=10

- We should read books to acquire knowledge. (Make complex sentence)
- Books introduce us to the realm of knowledge. (Use passive voice)
- The books of great writers contain noble thoughts and great ideas. (Make interrogative sentence)
- By reading good books, we can enrich our mind. (Make compound sentence)
- Reading books is a very good habit. (Make exclamatory sentence)
- This habit is rarely disliked. (Affirmative)
- More and more books should be read. (Use active voice)
- No other thing is as interesting as reading books. (Use comparative degree)
- When we read good books, we discover new worlds. (Make simple sentence)
- Very few friends are as great as a good book. (Make superlative degree)

7. Complete the sentence:- 1×5=5

- Smoking is a habit which —.
- Many people go on smoking though —.
- , we will suffer a lot.
- People can't give up smoking easily because —.
- So attempts must be taken by us to —.

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

Load-shedding is one of the most common problems of Bangladesh. Lives of our citizens are (a) — (serious) hampered for load-shedding. Students face (b) — (difficult) in reading during load-shedding. (c) — (Industry) activities are also hampered. We should use electricity (d) — (honest) and (e) — (frugal) and should create (f) — (aware) among people to solve this (g) — (nation) problem. Besides, government should take (h) — (effect) steps to (i) — (grade) our power stations to mitigate the (j) — (advantages) of our people.

9. **Make tag questions of the following statements: -**

- Success cannot be achieved without efforts, —?
- Every body knows it, —?
- The successful people are very industrious, —?
- Everything glorious is gained through hard labour, —?
- So, industry is the key to success, —?

10. **Complete the passage using suitable connectors:-**

1×5=5

Gold is a bright precious metal. There are many metals cheaper (a) — gold but look like it. They glitter well (b) — fade in course of time. Actually there are many people in our society (c) — are outwardly gentle and nice. But (d) — a period of time, their real identity is revealed. (e) —, all that glitters is not gold.

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

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the lion roared how dare you wake me up ill kill you the mouse cried please let me go i didn't mean to wake you up

Part B: Composition (40 marks)

12. Suppose, you are Rajin Ahmed/Rezwana Akter. You have completed HSC and are looking for a job. You have seen a vacancy advertisement in "The Daily Star" for the post of an "Office Assistant" of Berger Company Ltd. **Now make a CV with a cover letter for the post. Your CV should not exceed one page.**

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13. Suppose, you are Sadman/Saima. You are a student of Polisha High School, Madargonj, Jamalpur. There is no canteen in your school. **Now write an application to the Headmaster of your school for setting up a canteen in your school campus.**

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14. Suppose, a hawker lives nearby your house. You know a lot about him and his activities. **Now write a paragraph in about 250 words on "The Life of a Street Hawker".**

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15. A student has many duties and responsibilities. He/She can play an important role to build up the nation. **Now write a short composition on "Duties of a Student".**

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Answer

- (a) in; (b) with; (c) privileges; (d) disliking; (e) a; (f) responsibilities; (g) at; (h) of; (i) to; (j) bread.
- (a) a; (b) curse; (c) of; (d) harm; (e) aware; (f) literacy; (g) lagging; (h) on; (i) aiming; (j) development.
- (a) Copying in the examination is a social crime.
(b) It hinders our education and development.
(c) It cannot bring any benefit.
(d) The students who copy in the exam deceive themselves.
(e) Nothing is as hateful as copying on the exam.
- (a) depends; (b) lead; (c) build; (d) work; (e) remembered; (f) idle; (g) will lag; (h) are; (i) have reached; (j) should follow.
- The police officer asked Mita how he could help her. In reply, Mita told him that while she had been going home alone by a taxi the previous night, two snatchers had ridden into her taxi. Then he asked her if they had snatched anything from her. Replying in the affirmative, Mita told him respectfully that they had taken away her cell phone and some money. Then the police officer told her to let him record a complaint.
- (a) We should read books so that we can acquire knowledge.
(b) We are introduced to the realm of knowledge by books.
(c) Don't the books of great writers contain noble thoughts and great ideas?
(d) We read good books and in this way we enrich our mind.
(e) What a good habit reading books is!
- (f) This habit is commonly liked.
(g) We should read more and more books.
(h) Reading books is more interesting than any other thing.
(i) While reading books, we discover new worlds.
(j) A good book is one of the greatest friends.
- (a) Smoking is a habit which **injurious to health**.
(b) Many people go on smoking though **they suffer from various health problems**.
(c) **If we go on smoking for a long time**, we will suffer a lot.
(d) People can't give up smoking easily because **it is a strong addiction**.
(e) So attempts must be taken by us to **give up smoking**.
- (a) seriously; (b) difficulties; (c) Industrial; (d) honestly; (e) frugally; (f) awareness; (g) national; (h) effective; (i) upgrade; (j) disadvantages.
- (a) Success cannot be achieved without efforts, **can it?**
(b) Everybody knows it, **don't they?**
(c) The successful people are very industrious, **aren't they?**
(d) Everything glorious is gained through hard labour, **isn't it?**
(e) So, industry is the key to success, **isn't it?**
- (a) than; (b) but; (c) who; (d) after; (e) Hence/Indeed.
- The lion roared, "How dare you wake me up? I'll kill you." The mouse cried, "Please let me go. I didn't mean to wake you up."