

Time : 2 hours

English 2nd Paper Total Marks : 50

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

Section A : Grammar (30 marks)

1. Fill in the gaps of the following text with appropriate articles. Put a cross (×) for zero article. $0.5 \times 6 = 3$

We live in an age of (a) — science. Newspaper is (b) — wonder of modern science. Newspaper is (c) — paper which carries news of (d) — whole world. It is such (e) — important thing that we cannot go (f) — single day without it.

2. Fill in the blanks of the following text with prepositions given in the box below. $0.5 \times 6 = 3$

up	with	after	of	in	for
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Everyone desires (a) — wealth. But a few can attain it. Some people hanker (b) — riches. Some are contented (c) — what they have. True happiness lies (d) — contentment. It is high time we gave (e) — the habit (f) — covetousness.

3. Make four sentences from the substitution table. $1 \times 4 = 4$

Youth	is must will	be moulded properly.
It		the time of sowing seeds of life.
We		sow the seeds of industry and honesty in this time.
Thus, our future		the best time of life.

4. Change the following passage into indirect speech. $1 \times 4 = 4$

The teacher said to the boy, "Do you think that honesty is the best policy?" The boy said, "Yes, sir, I think so." "Then learn to be honest from your boyhood," said the teacher. "Thank you, sir," said the boy.

5. Change the following sentences as directed in the brackets. $1 \times 5 = 5$

(a) Everybody works hard to gain his object. (Negative) (b) Life is nothing but a struggle. (Interrogative) (c) Who does not want to succeed in life? (Assertive) (d) Industry brings success. (Passive) (e) Industry is the most important secret for shining in life. (Positive)

6. Rewrite the following passage using capitalization and punctuation. $0.5 \times 6 = 3$

the park is beautiful but dirty everybody likes to go there so we should keep it neat and clean.

7. Fill in the gaps used in the following text by adding suffix, prefix or both with the root words underlined in the text:- $0.5 \times 8 = 4$

A railway porter is a hard working person. He is a day (a) labour. He loads and (b) load the goods of a goods train. Besides, he is very busy during the (c) arrive and (d) depart of trains. He is an (e) literate man. He does not want to receive the (f) fix amount of fee for carrying the luggage of the passengers. During the (g) festive he demands a very high charge for his (h) serve.

8. Complete the following text with suitable verbs in the box with their right form. $0.5 \times 8 = 4$

lead	work	make	build
be	prosper	remember	depend

Bangladesh (a) — full of natural resources. The prosperity of the country (b) — on the proper utilization of the resources. So, we should all try to (c) — up our country by (d) — hard. We should not (e) — a lazy life. No nation (f) — without industry. It (g) — that industry is the key to success. If we (h) — the best use of our resources, Bangladesh will become prosperous.

Section B : Composition (20 marks)

- 9: Suppose, you are Seam/ Saima. The annual sports day of your school has recently been held. You were one of the participants and got three prizes. Your friend Sumon/Sumona wants to know about the annual sports day. Now, write an e-mail to him/her about it. 8

10. Write a composition on the following topic in 250 words:

'The Season You Like Most.'