

Time : 3 Hours

Full Marks : 100

**A Grammar: 60 Marks**

1. **Fill in the blanks with appropriate articles. Put cross where an article is not needed.** .5×10=5

My brother is (a) — army officer. He is working in (b) — UN mission in (c) — African country. He is (d) — physician. He is not only (e) — MBBS but also (f) — FRCS. We (g) — family members are looking for (h) — suitable bride for him. Primarily, we have chosen two girls. Now we will finalize of (i) — two, who is (j) — better.

2. **Complete the text with suitable preposition.** .5×10=5

My annual exam was going (a) —. (b) — the exam date (c) — English 1<sup>st</sup> paper I got stuck (d) — a traffic jam. So, I reached the exam hall half an hour late. (e) — entering the exam hall I saw that all the examinees were busy (f) — writing. The invigilator gave me the answer script and the question paper. I got nervous. (g) — filling (h) — the answer script I looked (i) — the questions. All the questions were common (j) — me.

3. **Complete the sentences with suitable phrase/words given in the box.** .5×10=5

lest	hand better	there	let alone
as if	would rather	what if	had
cannot but	it		

- (a) She quarrels with me all time. It is impossible to tolerate her. I — live alone.
- (b) None is supporting you in the organization. You — resign the post.
- (c) Because of his wrong decision, the company is losing its credit. — I been in his position, I would not have made this terrible blunder.
- (d) He is so mean. He does not deserve to be my enemy, — friend.
- (e) The man is looking at my wallet and pocket with greedy eyes time and again. — appears to me that he is a pickpocket.

- (f) Make hurry — we should miss the college bus. You know it leaves at 8 am.
- (g) Nowadays, many countries are making nuclear weapons. — the World War III breaks out?
- (h) “— is no one so poor like a wealthy miser”. It is a very famous quotation.
- (i) I was so happy when I heard that I stood first in the examination. I felt — I had been in the dreamland.
- (j) It is six years since my father died I — remember his love for me.

**4. Complete the sentences using suitable clauses/phrases.**

.5×10=5

- (a) We should make the best use of time. If we lose the morning hours of our life —.
- (b) Study is the motto of a student. As a student, you should read properly so that —.
- (c) Students should read textbooks again and again with a view to —.
- (d) The crown is the symbol of a king. Uneasy lies the head that —.
- (e) Students should respect their teachers. When the student stood up, —.
- (f) Everybody should have a future plan. Tell me what —.
- (g) Success depends on the proper use of time. You will surely succeed provided that —.
- (h) He was absent from the meeting. Had I seen him, —.
- (i) The door should be opened. Would you mind —?
- (j) I am the only person that is responsible for this work. It is I who —.

**5. Read the text and fill the gaps with the correct form of verbs as per subject and context.**

.5×10=5

The prices of essential commodities (a) — (go) up by leaps and bounds. All previous records of high prices (b) — (break). Rice, fish, meat, chicken, kerosene oil, edible oils and vegetables (c) — (sell) at unusual high prices which hit the low-income groups most. Though the price of rice and vegetables (d) — (go) down recently due to season's new rice and vegetables, one kilo of soyabean oil, sold at taka 106 one month back, is now (e) — (sell) at 125 taka. Similarly, the

price of kerosene oil now (f) — (bring) sufferings to the villagers. The hoarders are responsible for this. Strict measures (g) — (take) by the government to curb the hoarders' ill-motive which (h) — (create) artificial crisis of essential commodities. Government already (i) — (make) open sale arrangement of rice to check the price hike of rice and as such it is now under control. But the prices of sugar, washing soap, onion, garlic and other spices are beyond the capacity of common people. The authorities concerned (j) — (look) into the matter and take strict measures so that the prices of essential commodities remain within the reach of common men.

**6. Read the text and change the sentences as directed. 1×5=5**

- (a) Observe a good teacher and you will not see him motionless. (Complex)
- (b) He walks about the class when he feels it necessary. (Compound)
- (c) He speaks as he thinks and feels. (Simple)
- (d) He is not chained to fixed rules. (Active)
- (e) The class becomes communicative and lively. (Negative)

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

“Please, let me have the coffin,” he cried, “I will pay you well for it,” “We would not sell it for the world,” one of the dwarfs said, “But I can't stay without Snow White” sighed the prince. So, the dwarfs took pity on the prince and said, “Take Snow White.”

**8. Identify the unclear pronoun references in the passage to make them clear. 1×5=5**

Bashundhara City is undoubtedly a very pompous shopping mall in Dhaka City. This Bashundhara City is called a city within a city. But Once it was set on fire by an accident. The reason of that was unknown. Many people became victims of that accident. These were mostly the employees of the shopping mall. As soon as the fire broke out, people were running to and fro to save themselves. But the irony of fate was that, many of those had to die. Fire brigade and some other government and non-government organization came to extinguish the fire. Some people came out safe and sound but many could not escape the death from the accident. We should be careful so that such may not occur in any circumstance.

9. **Read the following text and use modifiers as directed in the blanks.** .5×10=5

The world is producing millions of tons of domestic rubbish and toxic industrial waste (a) — (post-modify the verb) and it is becoming (b) — (pre-modify the adjective) difficult to find suitable locations to get rid of all the refuse, the disposal of (c) — (pre-modify the noun) kinds of waste is (d) — (post-modify the verb) polluting the environment. We know that air is an (e) — (Post-modify the noun) element of our environment. Man makes fire (f) — (post-modify the verb by an infinitive) food, make bricks, melt tar for road construction and to do (g) — (pre-modify the noun) things which pollute the air. Railway engines and (h) — (pre-modify the noun by a noun adjective) houses create smoke (i) — (post-modify the verb by adverb phrase). Mills and factories also belch (j) — (pre-modify the noun by adjective phrase) smoke.

10. **Use appropriate sentence connectors in the blank spaces of the following.** .5×10=5

Bangladesh is a poor country. She faces floods every year. (a) — she is improving day by day. (b) — she is blessed with many natural resources, they are not properly utilized. (c) — many measures are being taken to use them. (d) — they nip in the bud due to corruption, mismanagement etc. Allah has given us vast wealth here and there such as on the ground and under the ground. (e) — our country is enriched with many attractive places which may be used as tourist spots. (f) — tourism may be a good source earning, government should pay heed to this sector. (g) — private investors should come forward to improve this sector. (h) — we all can realize the importance of tourism as early as possible, it will bring a good result for the country. (i) — we stretch out our hands for the improvement of tourism, foreigners will not come to visit our country. If we are not able to keep our tourism out of political violence, we will lag behind (j) — .

11. **Read the passage and write antonym or synonym of the words as directed below.** .5×10=5

There are over 190 sovereign countries in the world today. In 1950 there were only 82. Over the last half century national self-determination has been a driving force for

many states with a history of colonialism and oppression. As more borders have been added to the world map, the number of international border disputes has increased. In many cases where the impetus towards independence has been religious or ethnic, disputes with minority groups have also caused violent internal conflict. Clash and conflict with minority groups should be stopped at any cost.

(a) world (synonym) (b) force (synonym) (c) oppression (synonym) (d) add (antonym) (e) international (antonym) (f) increase (antonym) (g) independence (synonym) (h) internal (antonym) (i) conflict (synonym) (j) minority (antonym).

12. **There are ten errors in the use of punctuation marks in the following text. Rewrite the following text correcting the errors.** .5×10=5

Don't mix with bad boys my father said to me. You should read attentively as your examination is knocking at the door he said no I do not keep any bad company I have just asked him if he knows the date of examination I replied.

**B Composition: 40 Marks**

13. Suppose you are conscious student of Rajuk Uttara Model College. Some anomalies of students and teachers touch you. Now write an application to the Principal of your college requesting him not to allow any student or teacher to use cell phone in the class room or in the examination hall. 8
14. Suppose, you are reporter of a reputed daily. You have interviewed many slum dwellers about their ways of life. Now, write a report on them. 8
15. Write a paragraph describing the cause and effect of "Gender Discrimination" by answering the following questions. Use 100-150 words. 10
- (a) What is gender discrimination?  
(b) When does it begin?  
(c) How long does it continue?  
(d) What are the causes and effects of gender discrimination in Bangladesh.  
(e) What should we do solve this problem?
- 16 Write a composition on "Students and Social Services." 14