

[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 articles if applicable: 0.5×6=3

Truthfulness is (a) — greatest of all (b) — virtues which make (c) — man really great. If we don't cultivate (d) — habit of speaking (e) — truth, we can't command (f) — confidence of others.

2. Fill in the blanks of the following text with prepositions given in the box below:— 0.5×6=3

after	for	about	with	after	to
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One should not run (a) — money because those who hanker (b) — money can't enjoy mental peace. Sometimes, it may lead one (c) — some unexpected troubles. It also happens that greed (d) — money brings (e) — many problems. So, we should be contented (f) — what we have.

3. Make four sentences from the substitution table: 1×4=4

Socrates	was	to educate people.
He	didn't	the wisest philosopher and teacher of his time.
His mission		die a natural death.
		killed by the rulers of Athens.

4. Change the following passage into indirect speech:— 4

Lubna said to me, "Have you finished reading the book I gave you yesterday?" "Yes, I have finished reading the book," I replied. "What an interesting book it is! I wish I could borrow the book earlier," I said. "Will you return the book to me today?" she asked.

5. Change the following sentences as directed in the brackets:— 1×5=5

(a) My friend invited me to pay a visit to Cox's Bazar. (Interrogative)

(b) I gladly accepted the invitation. (Passive)

- (c) My friend received me cordially. (Interrogative)
- (d) I was very glad to see the sea beach. (Exclamatory)
- (e) It was one of the most memorable journeys in my life. (Positive)

6. Rewrite the following passage using capitalization and punctuation:— 3

do you think it is easy to pass english said musa no said rana but why are you so careless of english i dont feel interest in the subject Oh i see

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

(a) Deforest is going on in our country. It means (b) destroy of forests. People are cutting down trees for housing or (c) cultivate. Thus, they are making the environmental (d) pollute. To make up the loss of trees we need (e) afforest. Loss of trees will be (f) danger for our country. Our (g) develop will be (h) serious affected if we don't plant trees.

8. Complete the following text with suitable verbs in the box with their right form:— 0.5×8 = 4

leave	run	get	think
walk	snatch	begin	be

Last evening, I was (a) — along the Sadar Road. My younger sister (b) — with me. Suddenly, a young man came (c) — and (d) — her gold chain out from her neck. I (e) — to run after the snatcher. But after a while, I (f) — it was not wise to (g) — my sister alone as it was (h) — dark.

Section B : Composition (20 marks)

9. Suppose, you are Labib/Lubna. You have a friend named Rahim/Rahima. Now, write an e-mail to your friend about your preparation for the JSC Examination. 8

10. Write a composition on the following topic in 250 words: 12

'Importance of Reading Newspaper'