

# JSC Exam. DINAJPUR BOARD-2016

## English First Paper

Subject Code

Time : 3 Hours

Marks : 100

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

### Section-A : Reading Test

#### Seen Passage [Marks : 25]

Read the text and answer questions 1, 2 and 3.

The word 'hygiene' means the practice of keeping ourselves clean. It also means to keep our home and workplaces clean. It is important for our good health.

Hygiene is thought to be next to godliness. It is because we cannot achieve anything physically, mentally or spiritually if we are unclean in our body, mind and soul. Nobody likes an unclean person either. So we must follow the rules of hygiene.

First, we must keep our body clean. We should have a bath everyday and wash our hair regularly. This will keep the body and hair free from dirt and bacteria.

Secondly, we should wash our clothes regularly. Dirty clothes give off bad smell and invite germs. We should wear socks and shoes when we go out to protect our feet from dust and germs. It is also important to wash our hands before meals and after using the toilet. We should brush our teeth twice a day, after breakfast and supper. We must also cut our nails regularly. Our drinking water must be pure. We can get pure water by boiling and filtering.

Finally, we should keep our surroundings and environment clean. If we do and follow all the above things properly, we will be able to lead a healthy and happy life. [Total Words : 215] [Unit-5; Lesson-3(A)]

1. **Guess the meaning of the following words and choose the correct meaning closest to the text.** 1 × 5 = 5

(a) hygiene

i. untidy

iii. cleanliness

ii. smartness

iv. freshness

(b) godliness

i. deny

iii. worship

ii. devotion to God

iv. defy

- (c) mentally  
 i. bodily  
 iii. organ
- ii. organic  
 iv. psychologically
- (d) give off  
 i. keep  
 iii. retain
- ii. contain  
 iv. emit
- (e) protect  
 i. devastate  
 iii. destroy
- ii. ruin  
 iv. preserve

2. Give short answers to the following questions :  $2 \times 5 = 10$

- (a) What does the word 'Hygiene' mean?  
 (b) How can we get pure water?  
 (c) When should we brush our teeth?  
 (d) What do the dirty clothes produce?  
 (e) Why is 'hygiene' thought next to godliness?

3. Read the text in A again. Now, write the summary of it in around 75 words. 10

**Unseen Passage [Marks : 10]**

Read the following text carefully and answer the questions no. 4 and 5.

Ferdousi, the great poet, had a very set hand. He informed the Sultan of writing something remarkable. Then he began to write 'The Shahnama' in honour of Sultan Mahmud. The Sultan promised to pay him a piece of gold coin for each verse. But when the epic was finished, it was found to contain sixty thousand verses. When the epic was taken to him, the Sultan now offered Ferdousi only sixty thousand pieces of silver coins instead of gold coins. The poet refused to accept. The Sultan repenting, sent him sixty thousand pieces of gold coins but his messengers arrived too late. When they reached the poet's house, they met the dead body being carried out for burial. The messengers came back to the palace. They reported to the Sultan. The Sultan sat grave. He did not tell anything to anybody. Last of all, he called his courtiers and asked them to accompany him. The Sultan went there. He expressed his deep shock for the departed poet.

4. Complete the following table with the information given in the passage. 1 × 5 = 5

Name	Event/ Activity	What/ Why
Ferdousi	wanted to write	(i) —
(ii) —	was written	in honour of Sultan Mahmud
The Sultan	promised to give	(iii) —
(iv) —	contained	sixty thousand verses
The Sultan	(v) —	to express his deep shock

5. Read the passage again and write True or False beside the following statements. Give answers for the false statements. 1 × 5 = 5

- Sultan Mahmud was a great poet.
- Ferdousi wrote "The Shahnama".
- The Sultan sat happily.
- Ferdousi had a very set hand.
- Ferdousi wrote the epic in honour of Sultan Mahmud.

6. Fill in the gaps with appropriate words : 1 × 5 = 5  
 Most of (a) — farmers of our (b) — are very poor. They do not (c) — how to read and (d) —. They have no (e) — of their own.

7. Re-arrange the following sentences in correct order : 10

- The woman said to him that they had been starving for three days.
- He went there.
- Hearing this his heart was filled with pity.
- Hazrat Omar (R.) was the second Caliph of Islam.
- He asked the woman why the children were crying.
- He went to the royal treasury and brought food of them.
- He found a woman and three children.
- At night he used to walk alone in the streets of Medina.
- One night while he was walking he heard the sound of crying coming out from a hut.
- His aim was to see the condition of the people with his own eyes.

8. Fill in the gaps using clues from the boxes. There are more words than necessary : 0.5 × 10 = 5

kill	spend	boat	while	people	their
songs	land	area	role	popular	boatman

Bangladesh is predominantly a riverine (a) — and this structure plays an important (b) — in the life of its people. Bhati (c) — are river oriented and very (d) — in southeastern low lands of Bangladesh locally known as bhati (e) —. They are traditional (f) — songs. The (g) — of Mymensingh, Sylhet, Dhaka, Comilla, Faridpur, Pabna and Barisal (h) — quite a lot of time in (i) — boats and sing in a specific style (j) — sailing down stream.

9. The phrases in column A are the beginnings of some sentences. The phrase in Column 'B' are the endings. Match the phrases in column 'A' with the phrases in column 'B' to make complete sentences.  $1 \times 5 = 5$

Column-A	Column-B
(a) Drugs bear a terrible effect	i. not very easy.
(b) They kill them	ii. drowsy.
(c) Drug-addicted people feel	iii. slowly but surely.
(d) The remedy for drug addiction is	iv. a punishable offence.
(e) Drug business is	v. on human body.

### Section-B : Writing Test [Marks : 40]

10. Suppose, you are Rounok and your friend is Rupak. Make a dialogue between you and your friend about the importance of reading newspaper. 10
11. Write a paragraph on "Your school library" by answering the following questions. Your paragraph should not exceed 100 words. 10  
 (a) What is library? (b) What is the importance of school library? (c) Where is it located? (d) How are books arranged? (e) How do you feel of your school library?
12. Read the beginning of the story. Now, complete it in 150 words. 10  
 One day a lion was sleeping in its cave. A mouse was playing nearby. While playing it by chance ran over the lion's body. At this, the lion woke up .....
13. Suppose, you are Rassel living in Kazla, Rajshahi. Your friend is Banna living in Medical Mor, Rangpur. Now, write a letter inviting him to attend your sister's marriage ceremony on next Friday. 10

## Answer Sheet

### Section-A : Reading Test

1. (a) iii. cleanliness (b) ii. devotion to God (c) iv. psychologically (d) iv. emit (e) iv. preserve
2. (a) By the word 'hygiene' we mean the practice of keeping ourselves and our surroundings clean.  
(b) We can get pure drinking water by boiling and filtering it.  
(c) We should brush our teeth after breakfast and supper.  
(d) The dirty clothes produce bad smell and invite germs.  
(e) As we cannot achieve anything physically, mentally or spiritually if we are not clean in our body, mind and soul, hygiene is thought next to godliness.
3. Hygiene means keeping ourselves and our surroundings clean. It is very important to maintain good health. Taking bath everyday, washing clothes, brushing teeth, cutting nails regularly are the parts of the rules of hygiene. Our drinking water must be pure. Last of all, we should ensure a clean environment.
4. (i) something remarkable (ii) the Shahnama (iii) a piece of gold coin for each verse (iv) the epic Shahnama' (v) went to the burial place
5. (a) False. Sultan Mahmud was a Sultan or King.  
Or, Ferdousi was a great poet.  
(b) True.  
(c) False. The Sultan sat grave.  
(d) True.  
(e) True
6. (a) the (b) country (c) know (d) write (e) land
7. 

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
d	h	j	i	b	g	e	a	c	f
8. (a) land (b) role (c) songs (d) popular (e) area (f) boatman (g) people (h) spend (i) their (j) while
9. (a) + v → Drugs bear a terrible effect on human body.  
(b) + iii → They kill them slowly but surely.  
(c) + ii → Drug addicted people feel drowsy.  
(d) + i → The remedy for drug addiction is not very easy.  
(e) + iv → Drug business is a punishable offence.