JSC Exam. JESSORE BOARD-2016

English First Paper

Subject Code

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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.

Once upon a time, a dove and a bat were very good friends. One day the two friends decided to set out on a journey. They flew over the rivers and hills and came to a big jungle. Both the friends were very tired, they needed to sit down and take a rest. Soon night fell and it was dark all around. A storm rose. It started to rain heavily. The dove and the bat started to look for a shelter. They came upon a century-old rain tree. An owl had his nest in that tree. The dove and the bat knocked at the owl's door. The old grumpy owl opened the door. The dove and the bat requested him to give them shelter. The owl unwillingly let them in. The two birds were hungry too. They begged for some food. The selfish owl was not happy. However, he shared his dinner with them. The dove was so tired that she could hardly eat. But the bat was sly. He ate greedily. He began to praise the owl with the thought of getting more food. The bat said, "O wise and brave owl, you are the most generous person I have ever seen. You are powerful and mighty." The owl was very pleased at the bat's flattery. He puffed and ruffled himself, trying to look as wise and brave as possible. Then he turned to the dove and asked, "Now little dove, what do you think about me?"

1. Choose the best answer from the alternatives: $1 \times 5 = 5$

(a) Century means -

i. 100 years

ii. 1000 years

iii. less than 500 years iv. all of them

(b) Here the word 'grumpy' stands for —

i. fresh mind

ii. joyful

iii. bad-tempered

iv. shyness

(c) The synonym of 'generous' is —

i. cruel
ii. heartless
iii. frugal
iv. kind-hearted

(d) The word 'mighty' means —
 i. weak
 ii. strong
 iii. ill health
 iv. lazy

(e) The word 'sly' means —

i. careful
iii. cunning
iv. talented

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

(a) How did the two friends came to a jungle?

(b) Why did they become very hungry?

(c) What was the reason of bat's praising the owl?

(d) How was the day?

(e) Do you think that the owl was really wise and brave?

 Read the text in A again. Now, write the summary of it in around 50 words.

Unseen Passage [Marks: 10]

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

Jibanananda Das was born in a small town of Barisal in 1899. He took his M A Degree in English at the age of 22. The next year he started his teaching career as a professor of English at the Kolkata City College. He lost the job in 1928 on the cause of publishing a poem in the Parichay Patrika. But two years after he joined the Ramjash College, Delhi, but returned to his place of birth the next year. He got an appointment in Brajamohan College, Barisal in 1935. In 1947, when the partition was made, he left Bangladesh for India. In West Bengal, he started editing 'The Swaraj Patrika'. In 1951, he joined the Kharagpur College. He was awarded Rabindra Purashkar in 1953. He met with a tram accident on the 14th October, 1954. He was hospitalized. After a few days, he passed away on October 22, 1954.

4. Complete the following table with the information given in the passage. $1 \times 5 = 5$

Who/ What	Events	Where	When	
Jibanananda Das	born	(i) —	1899	
He obtained	MA	24	(ii) —	
Career as a professor		(iii)—		
He	migrated	(iv) —	1947	
(v) —	awarded		1953	

- 5. Read the passage again and write True or False beside the following statements. Give answers for the false statements. $1 \times 5 = 5$
 - (a) Jibanananda Das started teaching in 1922.
 - (b) He left Bangladesh before partition.
 - (c) He joined Brajamohan College in 1935.
 - (d) He was awarded Rabindra Purashkar in 1953.
 - (e) He died a natural death.
- 6. Fill in the gaps with appropriate words: $1 \times 5 = 5$ Trees are useful to man in many ways. They are our best friends. They provide us with (a) without which we cannot live more than a few minutes. They supply us with (b) and food, give us shade and help us to (c) us from drought and cyclone. Unfortunately we cannot (d) the importance of trees and cut them down indiscriminately. We should plant more and more (e) —.
- 7. Re-arrange the following sentences in correct order: 10
 - (a) He rose to high position in the army by his good work and courage.
 - (b) France under him was very powerful.
 - (c) More than 170 years ago there lived in France one of the greatest soldiers called Napoleon Bonaparte.
 - (d) When he was young, he joined the French Army as an ordinary solider.
 - (e) He fought several wars with the neighbouring countries and won victories over them.
 - (f) Still now, the Frenchmen remember him with due respect.

- (g) He was born in 1769.
- (h) He died in 1821.
- (i) In 1804, he proclaimed himself to be the emperor.
- (j) He grew very powerful and soon became the greatest man in the country.

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

by	punishable	impediment	though		
are	the	number	after		
to	people	work	such		

Child labour has been forbidden internationally by (a) — UNO. To make a child do the (b) — which is suitable for a man is (c) —. Yet in the third world countries the (d) — of child labour is going up day (e) — day. (f) — the government is committed to dissuade rich (g) — to engage children in labourious work, things (h) — not so easy. Poverty is the first (i) — in this field. The poor parents want (j) — get additional earnings by employing their children in work.

9. The phrases in column A are the beginnings of some sentences. The phrases in column B are the endings. Match the phrases in column A with the phrases in column B to make complete sentences:
1 × 5 = 5

Column-A	Column-B			
(a) A teacher plays a vital role in	i. without him.			
(b) He works hard	ii. him and evaluate his service.			
(c) He has a great duty	iii. to show his students the right direction.			
(d) A country suffers a lot	iv. forming an educated nation.			
(e) So everybody should respect	v. to make a developed nation.			

Section-B: Writing Test [Marks: 40]

10. Suppose, you are Mazed and your bossom friend is Rashed. You have a garden. Your friend Rashed wants to know how to make a garden and nurse it. Now, make a dialogue between you and your friend about gardening.

 Write a paragraph on 'A Rainy Day' by answering the following questions. Your paragraph should not exceed 100 words.

(a) What is a rainy day? (b) How does the sky look? (c) What happens to the poor? (d) How do school going students feel on a rainy day? (e) Do you like rainy day and why?

12. Read the beginning of a story. Now, complete it in about 150 words by using your imagination.

10 Once a lion was sleeping in his cave. Suddenly a mouse came here. It did not notice the lion. The mouse began to play. At one time it ran over the face of the lion. The lion woke up and became very

13. Suppose, you are Mahir. Your brother is Arif. He is very weak in English. Now, write a letter to your brother, advising him how to do well in English. 10

Answer Sheet

Section-A: Reading Test

(a) i. 100 years (b) iii. bad-tempered (c) iv. kind-hearted (d) ii. strong (e) iii. cunning

 (a) The two friends set out on a journey and by flying over the rivers and hills they came to a jungle.

(b) As they flew over the rivers and hills, they were very

tired and became very hungry.

(c) The bat thought if he could please the owl, he would give him more food. And, with this end in view the bat praised the owl.

- (d) The weather of the day was not good. There rose a storm and it rained heavily.
- (e) No, I don't think so. Because the owl was selfish and was not happy to share his food. Besides, he unwillingly let the two birds to come in his nest.
- 3. Once a bat and a dove planned to set out on a journey. After flying over the rivers and the hills they came to a big jungle and got shelter in the nest of an old owl. The grumpy owl reluctantly allowed them to come inside and gave them food. The bat was cunning, so he began to praise the owl.
- (i) Barisal (ii) 1921 (iii) Kolkata City College (iv) to India (v) Rabindra Purashkar
- 5. (a) True.
 - (b) False. He left Bangladesh during the partition.
 - (c) True.
 - (d) True.
 - (e) False. He died after a few days he had met a tram accident.
- 6. (a) oxygen (b) cloth (c) protect (d) realise (e) trees

7.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	c	g	d	е	a	j	i	b	h	f

- 8. (a) the (b) work (c) punishable (d) number (e) by (f) Though (g) people (h) are (i) impediment (j) to
- (a) + iv → A teacher plays a vital role in forming an educated nation.
 - (b) + v → He works hard to make a developed nation.
 - (c) + iii → He has a great duty to show his students the right direction.
 - (d) + i → A country suffers a lot without him.
 - (e) + ii → So everybody should respect him and evaluate his service.