

# JSC Exam. SYLHET BOARD-2016

## English Second Paper

Subject Code

Time : 2 hours

Full marks : 50

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### Section-A : Grammar [Marks : 30]

1. Fill in the gaps of the following text with appropriate articles. Put a cross (x) for zero article :  $.5 \times 6 = 3$

Punctuality is (a) — unique virtue. It leads (b) — man to the path of success. (c) — punctual man does all his works in (d) — due time. He never puts off his work for tomorrow. So it is our duty to acquire (e) — quality of punctuality in our life. Everyone respects the man who is punctual. (f) — unpunctual man faces many problems in his life.

2. Fill in the blanks of the following text with prepositions given in the box below :  $.5 \times 6 = 3$

by	to	from	on	for	of
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A man accustomed (a) — hard work is not afraid (b) — any difficulty. He is worthy of praise (c) — his hard work. He is never indifferent to success. Success depends (d) — hard work. A hardworking man is entertained (e) — everybody. He never deviates (f) — the path of success.

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

Air	create should is	the main thing that pollutes air.
Smoke		getting polluted.
We		smoke while cooking food, melting tar, burning down forest, making bricks, using fuels etc.
Public awareness		be raised to stop air pollution.

4. Change the following passage into indirect speech :  $1 \times 4 = 4$   
"What's your programme after the examination?" asked Salam. Kamal said, "I've not yet decided." "Let us go on a picnic," said Salam. "What an excellent idea it is!" said Kamal.

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

(a) The Padma is one of the biggest rivers in Bangladesh. (Make it Comparative) (b) It is called the river of destruction. (Make it Active) (c) The river is very turbulent. (Make it Negative) (d) It assumes a very terrible shape in the rainy season. (Make it Exclamatory) (e) Everybody knows this. (Make it Interrogative)

6. Rewrite the following passage using capitalization and punctuation :  $.5 \times 6 = 3$

give me a few grains of corns the grasshopper said to the ant

7. Fill in the gaps in the following text by adding suffix, prefix or both with the root words underlined in the text :  $.5 \times 8 = 4$

Our (a) nation memorial (b) symbol the nation's respect for the martyrs of the Liberation War. It is an (c) achieve which is (d) measurable. Our freedom fighters showed their unique (e) hero in the war against the well-armed soldiers of Pakistan. The Pakistani soldiers killed our people (f) merciless. They continued atrocities in (g) associate with the local (h) collaborate. However, they were defeated in the end.

8. Complete the following text with suitable verbs in the box with their right form :  $.5 \times 8 = 4$

write	contain	agree	ask
promise	pay	accept	return

One day the great poet Ferdousi (a) — by Sultan Mahmood to (b) — Shahanama in honour of Sultan. The Sultan (c) — to pay Ferdousi a gold coin for each verse. Ferdousi finished his writing and it was found (d) — sixty thousand verses. Now Sultan didn't (e) — to pay sixty thousand gold coins. He wanted to (f) — silver coins instead of gold coins. The poet (g) — silver coins and (h) — to his village.

### Section-B : Composition [Marks : 20]

9. Suppose, you are Nayem/ Nayema, a student of VIII of Blue Bell High School, Barisal. You are very much interested to go on a study tour for removing your monotony of classroom. Now, write an application to the Headmaster of your school seeking permission to go on a study tour. 8

10. Write a composition on the following topic in 250 words : 12  
"Duties of Students."

## Answer Sheet

### **Section–A : Grammar**

1. (a) a (b) a (c) A (d) x. (e) the (f) An
2. (a) to (b) of (c) for (d) on (e) by (f) from
3. (a) Air is getting polluted  
(b) Smoke is the main thing that pollutes air.  
(c) We create smoke while cooking food, melting tar, burning down forest, making bricks, using fuels etc.  
(d) Public awareness should be raised to stop air pollution.
4. Salam asked Kamal what was his (K) programme after the examination. Kamal replied that he (K) had not yet decided. Then Salam proposed to him (K) that they should go on a picnic. Kamal exclaimed with joy that it was an excellent idea.
5. (a) The Padma is bigger than most other rivers in Bangladesh.  
(b) People call it the river of destruction.  
(c) The river is not calm at all.  
(d) What a terrible shape it assumes in the rainy season!  
(e) Who does not know this?
6. "Give me a few grains of corns," the Grasshopper said to the Ant.
7. (a) national (b) symbolizes (c) achievement (d) immeasurable (e) heroism (f) mercilessly (g) association (h) collaborators
8. (a) was asked (b) write (c) promised (d) containing (e) agree (f) pay (g) did not accept (h) returned