

ENGLISH SECOND PAPER

Subject Code: 1 0 8

Time - 3 hours

Full marks - 100

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

Part A - Grammar

Marks - 60

1. Fill in the gaps with appropriate prepositions:

Social network is a network for virtual social interaction (a) _____ internet users across the world. Actually, this is an age (b) _____ globalisation. This is also an age of information and technology. People all over the world are virtually connected (c) _____ one another (d) _____ the borders. Hence, the necessity of social networks has emerged. But the young generations are getting addicted (e) _____ social networks (f) _____ Facebook, Twitter, Instagram etc. The lifestyle of the young before and after getting used (g) _____ a social network has a noticeable change. In fact, the students who were used to studying at the table before, nowadays pass their valuable time by chatting (h) _____ the social media. As a result, they are now lagging (i) _____. So, they should be kept aloof (j) _____ using internet excessively and unnecessarily.

2. Complete the sentences with suitable phrases/words given in the box:

There	what does look like
would rather	what's..... like
have to/has to	as soon as
let alone	had better
it	was born

- (a) _____ looks dangerous to reach the top. Very few number of people can arrive there safely.
- (b) All passengers _____ fill in an immigration form on arrival. It is mandatory.
- (c) My cousin _____ in Malaysia and raised in America. Now she has a dual citizenship.
- (d) _____ your family _____? Is it an extended family like ours?
- (e) Your mother seems to be very weak. You _____ consult an experienced doctor about her health.
- (f) His parents' _____ stay in village than live with him in Dhaka. Both of them don't like city life.
- (g) _____ have been significant changes in the types of entertainment over time. Many of those no longer exist.
- (h) Teacher: learners, _____ the national flower of Bangladesh _____?
- (i) It is not easy to score a goal, _____ a hattrick.
- (j) We informed the police _____ the incident took place. But the police didn't arrive even after two hours.

3. Complete the sentences using suitable clauses/phrases:

- (a) I'm so tired that _____. Please, take a rickshaw right now.
- (b) Though Bangladesh is a small country, _____. We are proud of our world heritage sites.
- (c) I can't recall his name. It is long since _____.
- (d) She came to my room while _____. She didn't wake me up.
- (e) It is true that most of the parents of our country are not interested enough to _____. They think, educating their daughters is nothing is nothing but wastage of time and and money.
- (f) There are many helpless people around us. I wish _____.
- (g) He likes photography very much. But unfortunately he has lost his camera. If he had the camera, _____.
- (h) Be punctual lest _____.
- (i) Our job market is getting very competitive. Unless you study well, _____.
- (j) It is too hot inside the room. Would you mind _____?

4. Read the text and fill in the gaps with the correct form of verbs as per subject and context:

Students get themselves (a) _____ (admit) into universities for higher education. The acquire higher education from two streams; one is public and the other is private. The private universities (b) _____ (be) open to all I but one has (c) _____ (face) tough competition for (d) _____ (get) seat there. The public universities are cheaper in terms of tuitions fees. They

(e) ____ (offer) residential and boarding facilities at subsidized rates. But public universities often (f) ____ (face) a number of problems. Student politics (g) ____ (play) a vital role in (h) ____ (deteriorate) the academic environment there. As a result, students (i) ____ (face) session jam. So the conscious and moneyed persons (j) ____ (impress) by the private universities. Since this is the age of privatisation, the private universities (k) ____ (become) popular day by day. Besides, it is less difficult (l) ____ (get) a seat in a private university but here they are to pay a lot. However, the private sectors have some limitations. In fact, the two streams should (m) ____ (develop) in a balanced way. Because, both sectors are playing important roles with a view to (n) ____ (make) the nation highly educated.

5. Change the narrative style, by using indirect speeches:

A man, lost in a forest, saw another man and rushed to him and said, "Oh! How happy I am to meet you! Unfortunately I have been lost in this forest for four days. Can you help me get out of this forest?" "No, Actually you don't need to be so happy, my friend", replied the another man, "I myself have been lost here for a week."

6. Read the following text and use modifiers as directed in the blank spaces:

Man has (a) ____ (use determiner to pre-modify the noun phrase) inborn curiosity to know the unknown and (b) ____ (use an infinitive phrase). He likes to see new places and wants to know about (c) ____ (pre-modify the noun) nations, their cultures, manners and religions. Bookish knowledge is (d) ____ (use adjective phrase). In order to have practical knowledge one has to go for travelling. (e) ____ (use an adverbial phrase) people had to suffer much for travelling as they did not have (f) ____ (pre- modify the noun) transports. Nowadays travelling has become much easier and comfortable for the invention of aeroplane, buses, ships, speedy trains etc. Travelling plays a (g) ____ (use an intensifier to pre-modify the adjective) important role in acquiring knowledge. So, the students go for (h) ____ (pre-modify the noun with a noun adjective) tour which also helps to remove (i) ____ (pre-modify the noun with a possessive) boredom of study. In fact, everyone should travel to develop practical knowledge which cannot be acquired by sitting (j) ____ (post-modify the verb).

7. Use appropriate sentence connectors in the blank spaces of the following passage:

Junk food is very popular nowadays. (a) ____ the children are very much fond of junk food. (b) ____ do we know what junk food actually is? Junk food is such kind of processed food (c) ____ has been produced for its pungent taste rather than for its health value. (d) ____ it contains high calories, salt, added sugar, saturated fat etc. (e) ____ its nutritional value is very low. (f) ____ its appearance is very appealing and mouth watering. (g) ____ it can attract anybody. (h) ____ it is harmful for health. (i) ____ it consists of harmful substances, it may lead to a higher risk of obesity, cardiovascular diseases and other chronic health problems. (j) ____, it can also affect brain. (k) ____ addiction to it may even result in the rejection of healthier foods such as fruits, vegetables, salads etc. (l) ____, the sugar used in junk food can damage our teeth and skin. (m) ____, we should avoid having junk food. (n) ____ we should remember that health is the root of all happiness.

8. Read the passage and write the antonym or synonym of the words as directed below:

Earthquake is one of the most common natural calamities on earth. It is an abrupt and violent tremor of the earth's surface. It occurs for various reasons. It is mainly caused by deep crack inside the earth or by volcanic eruption. If there is any fault line in a geographical area, there is a great chance of occurring earthquakes in that area. In some cases, earthquake occurs because some gases try to come out from the deep of the earth. Bangladesh lies in the active earthquake zone and so earthquake occurs here very frequently. RAJUK, responsible for the planned development of the capital city, warns that an earthquake resistant building code should be developed to reduce losses. But it is a matter of sorrow that our people are not aware of the gravity of its danger.

- (a) common (antonym)
- (b) calamities (synonym)
- (c) violent (synonym)
- (d) deep (antonym)
- (e) inside (antonym)
- (f) chance (synonym)
- (g) occur (synonym)

- (h) active (antonym)
- (i) frequently (antonym)
- (j) responsible (antonym)
- (k) development (synonym)
- (l) reduce (antonym)
- (m) aware (synonym)
- (n) gravity (synonym).

9. There are fourteen errors in the use of punctuation marks in the following text. Rewrite the text correcting the errors:

Yasha : What happened to you!Meem, Youre not looking normal.

Meem : you are right my friend. Im really very upset today.

Yasha : But why Wont you say me the reason

Meem : Why not A road accident took the life of our Chairman yesterday He was a well known person in our village. How pathetic it is for his family.

Yasha : Oh Thats very shocking.

Meem : Its very sad that such accidents are occuring frequently in our country.

Part B --- Composition

Marks --- 40

10. Suppose, you want to arrange a science fair in your college premises in collaboration with some other neighboring college students. Now write an application to the principal of your college to seek his permission to use the college ground for the science fair.

11. Write a paragraph in about 200 words on '**Globalization and Modern Technology**'.

12. Write a paragraph on '**Indiscriminate Cutting of Trees**'. Briefly point out the causes of this large scale deforestation and its effect on the environment. Use 200 words.