

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. Complete the text with suitable prepositions:

Ours is a riverine country. Rivers are everywhere (a) ____ our life, literature, economy and culture. But are the rivers (b) ____ good shape? Unfortunately they are not. Though rivers are part and parcel (c) ____ our life, we ourselves are cruel (d) ____ them. A few rivers are already dead and several are going (e) ____ the pangs of death. Some river-grabbers grab river banks and build buildings (f) ____ trade and commerce. Rivers are also getting silted (g) ____ deforestation. So, rivers cannot flow (h) ____ sufficient water during the rainy season. As a result floods occur and people's sufferings go (i) ____ description. Then rivers become source of sufferings instead (j) ____ blessings.

2. Complete the following sentences with suitable words /phrases given below:

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

(a) Selina is a poor student. She cannot afford to buy a cell phone _____ a laptop.

(b) The sky is cloudy. It may rain today. You _____ leave early.

(c) _____ is many years since we first met. How time does fly!

(d) His mother is sick. He needs to go home _____ possible.

(e) We _____ develop our humanity than observe hartal and strike.

(f) Robert Browning is my favourite poet. He _____ in 1812.

(g) _____ was a pandemic all over the world in 2020 and 2021.

(h) A good citizen _____ perform a lot of things.

(i) _____ the national flower of Bangladesh _____ ?

(j) _____ honesty _____ ? It is the best quality of life.

3. Complete the following sentences with suitable clauses and phrases:

(a) Patriotism is a noble virtue. It is high time _____.

(b) Hasan got GPA 4.50. I Had he studies seriously he _____.

(c) Time is valuable. Those who waste time _____.

(d) This ceiling is not so high. He is tall enough _____.

(e) Lock the door and keep the key in a safe place lest _____.

(f) You cannot understand everything clearly unless _____.

(g) A lot of passengers were waiting at the bus stop. A bus came. But the bus was so small that _____.

(h) In spite of facing so many drawbacks in life he _____ ultimately.

(i) Ayesha is a bright student. She studies hard so that _____.

(j) Freedom is man's birth right. He is born free but every where _____.

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

Man has unquenchable thirst for knowledge. He is never (a) ____ (e) (satisfy) with what he already (b) ____ (know) and (c) ____ (see). Naturally he (d) ____ (want) to know and (e) ____ (see) more and more. This curiosity for (f) ____ (know) more has (g) ____ (inspire) him (h) ____ (undertake) and (i) ____ (carry) out difficult and dangerous tasks which eventually (j) ____ (result) in epoch making discoveries an inventions and (k) ____ (lead) him in his long and continuous journey from his helpless state of caveman to his present situations of power and progress. He (l) ____ (be) helpless still now, he would not have (m) ____ (be) able to control all powers and forces. (n) ____ (invent) so many technologies he now controls almost all destructive powers and forces.

5. Change the narrative style by using indirect speech:

The king said to the astrologer, "How long do you want to live? For you will be hanged very soon." Looking at the sky the astrologer said, "My Lord, the positions of the stars declare that I'll die only a week before your Majesty. Good bye." The king turned pale and ordered his courtiers, "Drive this wretch away and never allow him to come for disturbing peace."

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

A library is a (a) _____ (pre-modify the noun) house of knowledge. The students (b) _____ (use a participle) in all classes visit it in their leisure period. Usually a college library is housed in two rooms. (c) _____ (pre-modify the noun) almirahs are placed in one room. The other room is the (d) _____ (use a participle to modify the noun) room where magazines, Journals and newspapers are placed. Hundreds of books are arranged (e) _____ (post-modify the verb). So any type of book can be traced in no time. The books cater to the needs and interests (f) _____ (use a pre-positional phrase). Generally there are two separate sections in the library. One of them contains reference books like (g) _____ (use nouns) etc. The other section contains books (h) _____ (use a pre-positional phrase). Every student has a (f) _____ (use a noun adjective to modify noun) card. The reading room is always crowded (j) _____ (post modify the verb) in the afternoon.

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

Honesty is a noble virtue. The man (a) _____ possesses this uncommon quality is the happiest man in the world. Truly speaking a man should have trustworthiness (b) _____ nobody believes a liar. A liar may prosper for the time being, (c) _____ ultimately he goes to the dogs. (d) _____ we should be honest in our life. It is believed that honesty is the best policy. (e) _____ dishonesty is the sign of down fall. God helps those who are honest. (f) _____ dishonest people are cursed. Childhood is the best time (g) _____ children should be taught honesty. It is seen that children follow their parents. (h) _____ parents should be honest (i) _____ they should be allowed to mix with those friends who are really honest. (j) _____ parents should tell stories of honest people to children. (k) _____, they can tell the story of honest people from history. (l) _____ parents should teach children how to distinguish between the right and the wrong. (m) _____ children build up their character. (n) _____ parents can show the path of honesty to children.

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

Sincerity is the essential element of life. Since it is the root of success, it is the quality of great men. They know its importance in human life. A sincere person is concerned about the outcome of his deeds. He has a good intention. People would like to trust a sincere person as he does not prove false. So he usually wins respect of others. A sincere person is always eager to possess a truthful mind, friendly and real personality. With these qualities he can overcome many difficulties in life. He can also recognize the intrinsic value of something. His good deeds are recognized and praised everywhere. Undoubtedly a sincere person is a trustworthy person.

- (a) success (antonym)
- (b) great (antonym)
- (c) importance (synonym)
- (d) outcome (synonym)
- (e) intention (synonym)
- (f) trust (antonym)
- (g) respect (antonym)
- (h) eager (antonym)
- (i) prove (synonym)
- (j) overcome (synonym)
- (k) value (synonym)
- (l) deed (synonym)
- (m) praise (antonym)
- (n) sincere (synonym)

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

Rahim : We are about to finish our HSC examination are you thinking about your future.

Karim : Yes, What about you

Rahim : I want to pursue higher education. What are your plans

Karim : I rather follow some vocation course to make my career.

Rahim : Really have you thought of any particular vacation

Karim : Yes I would like to join the fashion design course. This career has a prospect these days.

Rahim : It is suitable for boys.

Karim : Why not Boys are as good as girl in many profession now a days. Whats your future plan

Rahim : I would like to go for teaching.

Karim : Its good profession for a studios boy like you.

Part B --- Composition
Marks --- 40

10. Write an application to the Principal of your college to install multimedia system in the classroom.

11. Write a paragraph on **uses and abuses of internet** in 200 words.

12. Write a paragraph on '**Price Hike**' in 200 words.