

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

Section A : Grammar (30 marks)

1. Fill in the gaps of the following text with appropriate articles. Put a cross (x) for zero article. 0.5×6=3

My mother is (a) — very religious woman. She always advises me to follow (b) — path of (c) — truth and honesty. She bears (d) — good moral character. She is very kind to (e) — poor. She is (f) — ideal housewife.

2. Fill in the blanks of the following text with appropriate prepositions given in the box below: 0.5×6=3

for	to	in	with	about	after
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Money is a must (a) — our life. But one should not run after money because those who hanker (b) — money cannot enjoy mental peace. Sometimes, it may lead one (c) — some unexpected troubles. It also happens that greed (d) — money brings (e) — many problems. So, we should be contented (f) — what we have.

3. Make four sentences from the substitution table: 1×4=4

Corruption It People	is	increasing with the passage of time.
	have	to be aware of it.
		a great problem in Bangladesh.
		high time we stopped corruption.

4. Change the following passage into indirect speech:— 1×4=4

Father said to Saima, "Read attentively in order to get GPA-5." "I am reading seriously. Please pray to Allah for my success," said Saima. "May Allah bless you."

5. Change the following sentences as directed in the brackets:— 1×5=5

A flower is a glowing gift of nature. (a) Everybody likes flowers. (Interrogative) They are the symbol of love and beauty. (b) Flowers are used on different

occasions. (Active) (c) The rose is the best of all flowers. (Positive) (d) It is a very beautiful flower. (Exclamatory) (e) It has both charm and commercial value. (Negative)

6. **Re-write the following passage using capitalization and punctuation:—** 0.5×6=3

the old man said can you give me some food ive been starving for two days the maid said why do you beg cant you work

7. **Fill in the gaps used in the following text by adding suffix, prefix or both with the root words underlined in the text:—** 0.5×8=4

Teaching is a noble (a) profess. In the classroom a good (b) teach acts like an (c) act. He teaches (d) moral among the students. Moreover, he makes the students (e) dated. He also advises them to avoid (f) fairmeans in the examination hall. A teacher is thought to be the (g) build of a nation. So, he must be (h) selfish and devoted to his work.

8. **Complete the following text with suitable verbs in the box with their right form:—** 0.5×8 = 4

begin	attain	cost	form
learn	remain	respect	show

(a) — good manners is an important part of our education. Our education (b) — incomplete if we do not (c) — good manners. In our behaviour with others if we do not (d) — respect to them, they will not (e) — us. Good manners (f) — us nothing. Our children should (g) — good manners from the very (h) — of their life.

Section B : Composition (20 marks)

9. **Suppose, you are Rafi/Rafa studying outside your home district. Now, write an e-mail to your father asking for some money.** 8
10. **Write a composition on the following topic in 250 words:** 12
'Newspaper.'