#### **PUNCTUATIONS**

### Use capitals and punctuation marks where necessary in the following text.

1. what kind of stories did aesop tell said abdullah fables replied mr rahman do you know what fables are no replied abdullah well continued mr rahman fables are stories with a message or a moral.

### [Dhaka Board-2024]

2. hi Jhorna, Im coming to Bangladesh next month Will you receive me at the airport said Meghla Dont worry Ill be there Jhorna said.

# [Mymensingh Board-2024]

3. do you know me yes i know you from my childhood. whats your name my name is sumon thank you a lot said mr Jamal.

# [Rajshahi Board-2024; Chattogram Board-2019]

4. the man said to me where are you going i am going to Varsity said i did you go to Varsity yesterday no i replied why did you not go i was very busy said i.

# [Dinajpur Board-2024]

5. won't you go to school, today raju he said dad i feel feverish i dont want to go to school ok take rest now said he.

# [Jashore Board-2024]

6. how daring you are to wake me up the lion' roared i shall kill you for that please let me go the mouse cried i did not mean to wake you up.

#### [Cumilla Board-2024 & 2017; Dhaka Board-2016]

7. the teacher said to the girl do you think that honesty is the best policy yes sir i think so said the girl then learn to be honest from your childhood thank you sir said the girl may allah bless you said the teacher

#### [Chattogram Board-2024; Sylhet Board-2020]

8. why dont you attend classes regularly the teacher said to the student you cant expect good results unless you attend classes as i tell you i am sorry sir i have offended you said the student

# [Sylhet Board-2024 & 2017]

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# [Barishal Board-2024; Dinajpur Board-2022]

- 10. why are not you going to school said mother to her son he said i am waiting for my friend to come and go to school together [Barishal Board-2023]
- 11. Why are you putting the foods in your pocket Sir? Why don't you eat? asked the nobleman I'm doing the right thing My dress deserves these rich dishes replied Sheikh Saadi. I'm sorry I don't understand what you mean to say said the nobleman.

# [Jashore Board-2023; Dinajpur Board-2017]

12. mehdi said to nitu whats your programme after the text examination nitu said i have decided to visit the padma bridge what an excellent idea it is

### [Dhaka Board-2023]

13. My dear friends I am here to tell you about an important discovery said the cunning fox I have discovered that our tails are unnecessary How strange is it unnecessary said the other foxes

### [Chattogram Board-2023]

14. once my mother said to me who came to you my friend rafiq mom she asked what did he want said his mother is ill he needs some money i have given him five hundred taka my mother said wonderful

# [Rajshahi Board-2023; Barishal Board-2015]

15. Where are you going now Karim Said I am going to hospital My brother is ill I ve to stay with him in the hospital

# [Cumilla Board-2023]

16. Mainul Islam is a qualified farmer in Naogaon He lives in his village with his two brothers When he was asked What makes you decide to stay here in this village He replied Look its true that we could leave this village for a city life But it didnt attract us

# [Mymensingh Board-2023; Dinajpur Board-2023; Sylhet Board-2023]

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#### [Cumilla Board-2022]

18. Once a rich banker said to a poor cobbler How much do you earn a year The cobbler replied laughingly I never count in this way I earn barely enough to pass a day And I'm happy Are you really happy said the banker.

# [Chattogram Board-2022]

19. Shoel asked Alam Friend have you ever visited the National Memorial at Savar in Dhaka Wow how Splendid it is Yes I havent yet gone there said Alam.

# [Rajshahi Board-2022]

20. have you killed the rats said the mayor yes i have replied the piper give me the promised money how funny you are said the mayor take only fifty

# [Dhaka Board-2022]

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22. my mother said to me where are you going i am going to school said i did you go to school yesterday

# [Barishal Board-2022]

23. Monira said to Protiva How does the question seem to you Have you got everything common. No one item is uncommon to me. What about you said Protiva. Im in the same position like you replied Monira.

# [Mymensingh Board-2022)

24. I said to the old man, what are you doing I am watching the boys swimming in the pond he said How happy they are May Allah bless them let me sit by you and enjoy the scene I said.

# [Sylhet Board-2022]

25. how is your father bilkis said mr rahman he is very well thank you bilkis replied i am glad to hear that he is in good health said mr rahman

#### [Chattogram Board-2020]

26. hello old lady what are you doing said the princess i am spinning a yarn around the spindle replied the old woman

### [Dinajpur Board-2020]

27. why are you going to barishal said father i want to buy some important books said saad do you need money yes father dont go alone as time is not going well

# [Dhaka Board-2020; Sylhet Board-2015]

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35. stop you are eating all our bread shouted the two rats I am doing my best but I have told you that its difficult said the monkey give us that little Piece said the rats this is my piece havent I laboured a lot for you replied the monkey how foolish we are believing you said the two rats

#### [Dinajpur Board-2019]

36. who are jolly those who have sound health are jolly sound mind lies in sound body minds become jolly when our life is filled with pleasure

### [Sylhet Board-2019; Rajshahi Board-2016]

37. have you heard the name of alexander asked mr ahmed no sir razu replied how strange it is said he will you tell me about alexander please well he was the great king of macedonia

# [Dhaka Board-2019]

38. zaman can you tell me what i am teaching the teacher asked i m sorry sir i can't follow replied zaman you can't because you are not attentive the teacher said ass!

#### [Jashore Board-2019]

39, whats your programme after the examination asked sadia joya said i've not yet decided can you suggest any lets go on a picnic said sadia what an excellent idea i shall certainly join you said joya

# [SSC Examination-2018]

40. my sons listen to me said rahman an old farmer a great treasure lies hidden in the land there i am going to leave it for you the sons asked how shall we find it

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41. in a certain school a student once found a one hundred taka note in the playground he took it to his teacher what shall i do with it asked the teacher VM

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42. oh my lord please dont kill the child said the first woman to king solomon let her have it king solomon said to them now everything is clear to me pointing at the first woman he said to the servant give her the child she is the mother of the baby

# [Barishal Board-2017]

43. the teacher said to me dont you like to practise english its an important subject and you should be more careful about it

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# [Chattogram Board-2017]

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#### **Answers:**

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