

Solutions to Board Questions : 2017-2016 (Second Paper)

Solution to Dhaka Board-2017

1. (a) a (b) a (c) × (d) A (e) a (f) × (g) the (h) × (i) an (j) ×
2. (a) in (b) In (c) The/around (d) of (e) For (f) of/among (g) for (h) of (i) in (j) of
3. (a) have to (b) would rather (c) What if (d) what's it like (e) As soon as (f) It (g) let alone (h) was born (i) had better (j) what does look like
4. (a) So we should plant more trees.
 (b) Without knowing English you cannot get a good job.
 (c) It is high time to raise our voice against corruption.
 (d) I wish I were a child again.
 (e) Bu it has many disadvantages.
 (f) So, he should find out another source of income.
 (g) He confessed that he committed the fault.
 (h) It was too difficult to memorise.
 (i) Since there was no more question to discuss, the Chairman ended they meeting.
 (j) It is a good sign that nowadays girls are getting educated.
5. (a) happens (b) has risen (c) taking (d) travels (e) causes (f) violating (g) lessened (h) crossing (i) climbing (j) controlling
6. (a) A frugal man doesn't like to spend money without reasons.
 (b) The target of a man who is frugal is to save money for future.
 Or, A frugal man has a target so that he can/may save money for future.
 Or, A man who is frugal has a target to save money for future.
 Or, A frugal man has a target that he should/will save money for future.
 (c) Frugality should be practiced to make a well-planned family by everyone.
 (d) A frugal man does not live an insolvent/poor/needy life.
 (e) A prodigal man is not as/so happy as a frugal man.
7. As we shook hands, she advised me to follow her example and never to eat more than one thing for luncheon. I retorted that I would do better than that and added that I would eat nothing for dinner that night. Jumping into a cab, she cried gaily and called me humorist.
8. Travelling is a part of education. It means going from place to place. One can enhance knowledge by going from place to place. It

gives one the opportunity to see the unseen and to know the unknown. Some people are averse to travelling. This averseness limits their vision. However, by travelling different parts of the world, one's knowledge may be enriched.

9. (a) at random/ indiscriminately/ at random/ inconsiderately/ recklessly/ whimsically/ regularly/ randomly/ cruelly/ unnecessarily (b) ecological/ ecological/ environmental/ natural/ climatic (c) to earn money/to earn their livelihood/ to earn money/ to get profit/ to make profit (d) temperature/ sea/water (e) becoming/being/getting (f) cutting/burning/ felling (g) Cutting/ chopping/ Destroying (h) unwisely/at random/ in a merciless way/ in an inconsiderate way (i) rising/ increasing/ growing/increased (j) to keep balance our environment/to stop deforestation/to keep the environment safe/to maintain the ecological balance/to keep ourselves healthy or safe/ to survive
10. (a) Such as/Now/ Nowadays/At present (b) In fact/So/Thus/In fact/Therefore/This way (c) But/On the Other hand/However (d) Firstly/For example/ For instance/Firstly (e) Secondly/Besides/Moreover (f) Besides/ Then/ Again/Thirdly/Moreover/Furthermore (g) Moreover/ Besides/ Finally/ Lastly/ Moreover (h) Actually/ However (i) Unfortunately/ But/ Yet/ Still (j) So/ Therefore/ Thus
11. (a) unpopular/ strange/ disliked/ unpopular/ unknown/ unfamiliar/ neglected (b) shape/ shape/ frame/ image/ pattern/ kind/ type (c) recreation/ recreation/ enjoyment/pastime/amusement (d) arrange/ constitute/ form/ arrange/ manage/ (e) donate/ help/ assist/patronize/ boost up/ donor/ donate/ (f) national/ native/ indigenous/ local/ domestic (g) receive/ accept/ loan/ borrow/ take (h) observe/ notice/v iew/enjoy/ notice/ observe/ see/behold (i) minimum/ minimum/ little/ lowest/ least (j) deny/ ignore/ negligence/ denial/refusal/
12. Abid : We are about to finish our H.S.C examination. Are you thinking about your future?
 Hasib : Yes, what about you?
 Abid : I want to pursue higher education. What are your plans?
 Hasib : I rather follow some vocation course to make my career.

Abid : Really! Have you thought of any particular vocation?

Hasib : Yes, I would like to join the Fashion Design course. This career has a prospect these days.

Abid : Is it suitable for boys?

Hasib : Why not? Boys are as good as girl in many professions now-a-days. What's your future plan?

Abid : I would like to go for teaching.

Hasib : It's a good profession for a studious boy like you.

Note : For solution to question no. 13-16 see writing part.

Solution to Rajshahi Board-2017

- (a) the (b) × (c) a (d) the (e) the (f) A (g) a (h) A (i) the (j) a
- (a) in (b) in (c) through (d) of (e) to (f) around (g) of (h) into (i) through (j) with
- (a) No sooner had (b) was born (c) as if (d) What if (e) would rather (f) lest (g) let alone (h) what does.....look like (i) There (j) have to
- (a) 21st February is a red-letter day in our life because our brave sons laid down their lives on the day for our mother tongue.
(b) They were so lazy that they did not do any work.
(c) Do you know where he lives?
(d) It is high time you gave up smoking.
(e) If you want to go abroad for higher studies, you will have to learn English.
(f) It flies from flower to flower to collect honey.
(g) It is many years since I met him last.
(h) The sooner we get up, the better we shall have opportunity to start our works.
(i) Unless we are united, we will fall.
(j) We all should come forward with a view to solving these problems.
- (a) built (b) is (c) is made (d) has (e) rests (f) rise (g) stands (h) are (i) can look (j) lie
- (a) Bangladesh achieved independence in 1971.
(b) It is more significant than any other event in the history of Bangladesh.
(c) Our freedom fighters sacrificed their lives so that they could bring independence of Bangladesh.
Or, It is the independence of Bangladesh for which our freedom fighters sacrificed their lives.
(d) What a struggle it was for them!
(e) We are proud of them and we shall always remember them.
Or, We shall always remember them and shall do it with pride.
- I asked Grandmother whose picture it was. Grandmother replied that undoubtedly it was a picture of a little girl. Then I asked her if she could not tell. She replied that she could but I asked her if she knew the girl.

She assured me that she had known her (girl) but added that she (girl) had been a very wicked girl and she (G) should not tell me about her (girl).

- Education is the birthright of every man. But even then many people in our country are deprived of education for many reasons. They are unconscious and unskilled for want of education. For want of education they are unable not only to develop their own fate or their family but also unable to play any role for the development of society or the state. If the people are not properly educated, any development is not possible. So, the more we can educate our people, the more the country will be developed. With a view to developing human resource, the government has given many incentives in the field of expanding the primary and the secondary education. We must ensure these incentives/ education for every child of the country.
- (a) poor/landless (b) to work (c) their (d) working (e) day (f) to earn (g) occasionally (h) own (i) begging (j) poor/helpless/invalid/feeble
- (a) So (b) For this reason (c) Firstly (d) Secondly (e) Thirdly (f) Besides (g) Moreover (h) Rather (i) even (j) Actually/ In fact
- (a) certainly (b) honour (c) domestic (d) public/ multiple (e) foreign (f) diversity (g) disappear (h) decontrol (i) significant (j) intelligibility
- "I'm not in the least hungry," my guest sighed.
"but if you insist I don't mind having some asparagus."
I ordered them.
"Aren't you going to have any?"
"No, I never eat asparagus."
"I know there are people who don't like them. The fact is, you ruin your palate by all the meat you eat."
"Coffee?" I said.
"Yes, just an ice-cream and coffee," she answered.

Note : For solution to question no. 13-16 see writing part.

Solution to Dinajpur Board-2017

- (a) a (b) the (c) the (d) × (e) an (f) a (g) the (h) the (i) the (j) A
- (a) in (b) on (c) to (d) over (e) for (f) down (g) of (h) in (i) on (j) in
- (a) had better (b) It (c) have to (d) there (e) What look like (f) As soon as (g) would rather (h) was born (i) let alone (j) as if
- (a) Rifat does not like rich food.
(b) He hopes to obtain A+ in the coming examination.
(c) Smoking is not good.
(d) Working overtime gives no pleasure.

- (e) There is nobody who is always happy.
 (f) Birds coming from the other countries are called migratory birds.
 (g) People are careful of using their resources in Dhaka city.
 (h) No man can do a single day without the help of others.
 (i) His father wanted him to be a doctor.
 (j) A large number of youths in Bangladesh are unemployed.
5. (a) got (b) made (c) reached (d) was (e) were coming (f) were running (g) were (h) stood (i) stood (j) bought
6. (a) Water which is an important element of environment is polluted in various ways.
 (b) Pure water is necessary for us.
 (c) Men throw waste in water and pollute it.
 (d) Water is used by the farmers in time of cultivation largely.
 (e) Very few elements of all living being are so important as it.
7. He told me that he was very sorry to trouble me but assured me that he would be much obliged if I would kindly lend him my dictionary. I told him that I would be very glad to be of service to him and added that he was welcome to any of my books that he thought of use to him.
8. Sunlight is the source of all energy. All the living beings are dependent upon sunlight. Green plants are the producer of the ecosystem. All plants and animals of the environment/ ecosystem are interconnected serially. Consequently, there develops a food chain among the plants and animals. The transfer of food energy takes place from producers through a series of food levels. The process is called food chain of food in the ecosystem. There are numerous food chains in an ecosystem. Food chain does not work in isolation. The food chains are linked together to form a food web.
9. (a) an (b) his (c) well (d) the elderly (e) to remove (f) Removing (g) very (h) five (i) a govt. employee (j) also
10. (a) So (b) In fact (c) Rather (d) Firstly/Such as (e) However (f) So (g) After a while (h) Then (i) Fortunately (j) Finally/At last
11. (a) clean (b) amazing (c) colonialism (d) good (e) later (f) left (g) worse (h) Practically (i) openly (j) autocrat
12. Aryan : Do you read newspaper regularly, Farhan?
 Farhan : Yes, I do. What's about you?
 Aryan : To tell you frankly, I do not read newspaper regularly.
 Farhan : Why? You get enough time during the break in the college.
 Aryan : Yes, I do get but I do not like. Moreover, I think it is a wastage of time.

Farhan : Remember, newspaper is called the 'storehouse' of knowledge. The more you will read newspaper the more you will learn.

Aryan : Then, from today, I will start reading newspaper.

Farhan : Yes, that's like a good friend.

Note : For solution to question no. 13-16 see writing part.

Solution to Jessore Board-2017

- (a) the/ an (b) a (c) the/ × (d) a (e) × (f) a (g) the (h) the /a (i) a/ the (j) the
- (a) for (b) in (c) of/ from (d) for/ with/ like/ as (e) for/ as (f) of/ about (g) in/on/ at (h) of/ about (i) of/ about (j) for/ of/ in/ to
- (a) there (b) let alone (c) as if (d) what's it like (e) what does ... look like (f) had better (g) as soon as (h) would rather (i) was born (j) have to
- (a) I feel sleepy while watching TV.
 (b) You cannot handle such a problem if you don't have prior experience in teaching.
 (c) If the driver had been more careful, he could escape the fatal accident.
 (d) But it was so hot that we had to postpone the journey.
 (e) It is a public place where people meet one another.
 (f) Are you strong enough to carry it?
 (g) We must not encourage begging.
 (h) Whenever he speaks in English, he tries to make less mistakes.
 (i) It will take you five minutes to reach there.
 (j) One should bear in mind that forming bad habit is easy to do but giving it up is very difficult.
- (a) appear (b) are (c) help (d) mentioned (e) set (f) calculated (g) know (h) can find/ may find/ will find/ find (i) believe (j) beat
- (a) They had/ possessed a patriotic zeal and fought for the country. Or, They were patriots and (so they) fought for the country.
 (b) No other son of our nation is so/as courageous as they.
 (c) They are greatly admired and respected by everybody. Or, They are admired and respected greatly by everybody.
 (d) Who denies their contribution to their motherland? Or, Does anybody deny their contribution to their motherland?
 (e) They will always/ ever be remembered by their countrymen to the end.
- The teacher said to the students, "Have you heard the name of Aesop?" The students said, "No sir, we have not. Who was he?" The teacher told them, "Listen to my lecture attentively and you will be able to know about him. How interesting and instructive his fables are!"

8. Mandela left public life in June 2004 telling his countrymen not to call him. Regarding him/ Mandela's speech/ his speech/ his statement, Nadine Gordimer said, "Mandela is at the epicenter of our time, ours in South Africa, and yours, wherever you are."
9. (a) familiar/ common/ popular (b) well/ usually/ also/ mostly/ commonly/ normally/ generally/ casually (c) qualified/ good/ skilled/ registered (d) everyday/ regularly/ always/ often (e) taking small money/ taking some money/ getting some money/ receiving some money/ using cheap medicine (f) rich/ wealthy/ solvent/ well off (g) poorly/ ill/ not (h) poor/ needy/ critical/ dying/ serious/ impoverished (i) very/ quite/ completely/ totally (j) poor/ helpless/ needy
10. (a) Therefore (b) As a result (c) However (b) But (e) As such (f) Firstly (g) Secondly (h) Thirdly (i) Moreover (j) so
11. (a) failure (b) profession (c) small (d) as (e) realise/perceive (f) precede/desert (g) principle/guideline (h) ever/always (i) triumph (j) undesirable
12. Tourist : How old is the edifice, guide?
Guide : Madame, it's a 15th century edifice.
Tourist : What a wonderful edifice it is!
Guide : It was built by Akbar, the then emperor of India.
Tourist : Oh! I see.
Guide : Madame, we should move now. The sun is about to set. It would be dark soon.
Tourist : Isn't the place safe?
Guide : It is. But the security does not allow anybody after sunset.

Note : For solution to question no. 13-16 see writing part.

Solution to Comilla Board-2017

1. (a) the (b) the (c) the (d) the (e) a (f) an (g) ×/ the (h) the (i) an (j) ×
2. (a) at/for (b) no preposition (c) of (d) against (e) to (f) of (g) in/ during (h) after (i) of (j) in
3. (a) would you mind (b) in case (c) have to (d) as though (e) as long as (f) it is high time (g) lest (h) used to (i) unless (j) No sooner had
4. (a) He studies medicine so that he may be a doctor.
(b) It was five years since we had met last.
(c) He came to me with a view to drinking a glass of water.
(d) The box was too heavy for me to lift.
(e) Had you requested me, I would have bought a shirt for you.
(f) I will go to bed after I have finished my study.
(g) If the bank gives them loan on easy terms, they will surely utilize it properly.
(h) United we stand, divided we fall.
(i) We saw a snake while we were walking.
(j) A graveyard is a place where dead bodies are buried

5. (a) is (b) is learnt (c) maintaining (d) require (e) are (f) wishing (g) written (h) ignored (i) put (j) learning
6. (a) We are to ensure some essential agricultural inputs to increase our food production.
(b) The poor farmers do not get loans on easy terms.
(c) It is a great pity.
(d) The farmers do not get the facilities that/ which are necessary for food production.
(e) They do not get the due price of their products and it is unfortunate.
Or, They produce but unfortunately they do not get due price of their products.
7. The richman asked the cobbler if he (c) had saved something for the future. The cobbler replied that he (c) had not and added that he (c) was happy with present and thought little about tomorrow. The richman disagreed and said that that would not do. He (R) further said that he (R) liked to see him (c) above want and told him to have the money and keep it.
8. Travelling is a part of education. This/ It means going from place to place. One can enhance knowledge by going from place to place. This/It gives one the opportunity to see the unseen and to know the unknown. Some people are averse to travelling. This aversion limits their vision. However, by travelling to different parts of the world, our's/ one's knowledge can be enriched.
9. (a) nutritious (b) to lead (c) balanced (d) many (e) easily (f) our (g) same (h) eating (i) to have/ to eat (j) a
10. (a) Moreover/ In fact/ Actually (b) But (c) On the other hand/ Rather (d) As a result/ Consequently (e) As/ Since (f) In addition/ Moreover/ Besides (g) So/ Therefore (h) Besides/ Moreover/ In addition (i) Again/ Moreover (j) and
11. (a) populace/public/ folk/ persons/ men (b) liberal/ modern/ open-minded/ generous (c) late/ delayed (d) (e) trust/ rely (e) earth/ globe (f) nothing (g) affluence/ richness/ bounty (h) pains/ miseries/ troubles (i) conquer/succeed/ surpass (j) different/ varied/ various
12. "How is your father, Rana?" said Mr Karim. "He is very well, thank you," replied Ran. "I am glad to hear that he is in good health," said Mr Karim.

Note : For solution to question no. 13-16 see writing part.

Solution to Chittagong Board-2017

1. (a) the (b) the (c) a (d) × (e) a (f) the (g) the (h) the (i) the (j) the
2. (a) in (b) at (c) of (d) for (e) in/ to (f) in (g) of (h) to (i) of (j) on
3. (a) was born (b) there (c) What's it like (d) would rather (e) has to/ had to (f) let alone (g) as soon as (h) as if (i) what if (j) what does look like

4. (a) We should keep the environment free from pollution so that we may lead a healthy life.
 (b) Without following the rules of hygiene, we cannot get a sound health.
 (c) He had practised a lot before he took part in the competition.
 (d) To tell the truth misfortune never comes alone.
 (e) If she had studied more seriously, she would have got GPA 5 in the exam.
 (f) The boy was playing when his father returned home.
 (g) If I felt better, I would continue my classes.
 (h) We cannot prosper in life unless we make the proper use of time.
 (i) Last year he ran so fast that other competitors were left behind.
 (j) If we take a balanced diet, it will keep us fit.
5. (a) joined (b) inspired/ inspiring (c) raised/ to raise (d) travel (e) performed (f) staging/ staged (g) is/ has seen (h) feels (i) wishes (j) cover
6. (a) Long long ago there was a very wise king.
 (b) He was called wise Solomon by people.
 (c) Actually at that time he was wiser than all/ all people/ all kings/ all men.
 (d) There was another ruler who was named Queen of Sheba/ whose name was Queen of Sheba.
 (e) One day she thought that Solomon's wisdom should be tested.
7. The witness said to the international crimes tribunal, "I suddenly heard a gunshot and went towards the door. I saw many Al-Badr men and members of the Pakistani army on my house premises." The judge said to him, "Did you recognize some of the Al-Badr men?" The witness said, "I can recognize one Hamid in my village who brought the members of the Pakistani army to the village."
8. A rich man went to a farmer with one thousand taka in a bag. The rich man said to the farmer, "Look, my friend, I have brought one thousand taka for you. Keep this money and remove your distress." The farmer was surprised. He took the bag from the rich man and thanked him. The farmer said to himself, "One thousand taka is a lot of money." He could not think where to keep it. He did not find any safe place. He dug a hole in his hut and kept the money there.
9. (a) deeply/ sharply/ instantly/ immediately/ justifiably (b) notorious (c) Pakistan (d) to blame/ to condemn (e) this/ that (f) The mostly military ruled country (g) very (h) gradually/ day by day/ sharply / quickly (i) very (j) its/ her
10. (a) But (b) At that time (c) As/ Since/ Because (d) So (e) Then/ After that (f) Afterwards/ Then (g) Suddenly/ Then/ But/ And (h) But (i) But (j) Finally/ Lastly/ At the end/ Moreover/ Rather/ At last
11. (a) independence/ freedom/ liberty/ emancipation (b) loving/ kind/ humane/ generous/sympathetic/ merciful (c) genocide/ mass killing (d) inhuman/ cruel/ brutal/ unkind (e) dislocated (f) known/ named (g) encompassed/enclosed/encircled (h) finished/ ended/ stopped (i) assassinated/ murdered/ slain/ slaughtered (j) smallest
12. Son : Did you keep a diary during the Liberation War?
 Father : Yes, I did.
 Son : Can I have a look at it?
 Father : I'm afraid. I've lost it.
 Son : Can you remember anything about it?
 Father : Yes, I remember one event. There were lots of sounds and bangs outside one night. You wanted to look out but we didn't let you.
 Son : Why?
 Father : Because it was very dangerous. You were only four years old then.
 Son : I can't remember anything.
 Father : It's natural. No one can remember all from early childhood.
- Note :** For solution to question no. 13-16 see writing part.
- ### Solution to Sylhet Board-2017
1. (a) an (b) a (c) a (d) the (e) a (f) the (g) × (h) × (i) the (j) an
2. (a) of (b) to/ with (c) in (d) of (e) at/ in (f) with (g) from (h) of (i) for (j) with
3. (a) would you mind (b) had better (c) let alone (d) there (e) it (f) was born (g) what does... look like (h) as if (i) as soon as (j) would rather
4. (a) If you maintain honesty, you will be successful.
 (b) It is high time we practised patriotism.
 (c) I wish I could learn English well.
 (d) If I had much money, I would set up a school for the old.
 (e) There goes a proverb that a friend in need is a friend indeed.
 (f) Hardly had he seen his friend when he rushed to greet him.
 (g) It is a long time since we met each other.
 (h) All of us have to work hard with a view to developing our motherland.
 (i) I was too young to say 'no' to a woman.
 (j) He has to study regularly lest he should fail in the exam.
5. (a) came (b) had lost/ lost (c) committed (d) recollect (e) being (f) drew (g) was impressed (h) showing (i) took (j) to win
6. (a) Aren't most of the people of our country living in the rural areas?
 (b) It is they who are peace loving.
 (c) Nobody is as patriotic and industrious as they.
 (d) Their motherland is loved profoundly by them.
 (e) In spite of their insolvency they do not adopt unfair means to become rich overnight.

7. The passer-by asked the street child why he was crying. He again asked if he had any problem. The street child said that he was crying because he had none to look after him. The passer-by asked him if he was hungry. The boy replied that he was.
8. Books are the medium through which human beings talk with enlightened minds, the great men of the world. Books are our best friends. They introduce the great men to the life and the world. Books are the mirrors of past, present and even future. The books are having an active voice. We know about the thoughts and deeds of our ancestors through them/ the books. Books make the noble men alive in the world forever.
9. (a) great/ noble/ famous/ rebel (b) spontaneously/ freely (c) the rebel poet/ our national poet (d) his (e) to inspire people (f) very (g) profoundly/ greatly/deeply (h) bangla (i) a (j) throughout his life/ in a loud voice
10. (a) Indeed/ But (b) Because (c) But eventually/ But in the long run (d) So/ Therefore/ Hence (e) On the contrary/ On the other hand/ But (f) Besides/ In addition to/ Moreover/ And/ On the other hand/ but (g) Hence/ So/ Therefore (h) So/ This is why/ Hence/ For this reason (i) For all these reasons/ Hence/ So (j) so that
11. (a) fruitful/ rich/ prolific/ productive/ alluvial/ grainy (b) idle/lazy (c) continually/ constantly/ relentlessly (d) idle/indolent (e) hate/ disliking/ dislike (f) robust/ sturdy/ healthy/ vigorous/ energetic/ spirited (g) stagnant/ motionless/ inactive/ still/ immobile (h) honour/ esteem/ admire/ appreciate/ evaluate (i) ungrateful/ thankless (j) dedication/ concentration/ loyalty/ faithfulness
12. Entering the study, my elder brother looked around and burst out in disgust. "How dirty you have made the room! Why do you use it if you can't keep it tidy?" I said, "I am extremely sorry, I have been a nuisance. In future you'll never see the room in such a bad condition, I promise."

Note : For solution to question no. 13-16 see writing part.

Solution to Barisal Board-2017

1. (a) the (b) × (c) a (d) the (e) the (f) the (g) a (h) a (i) the (j) a
2. (a) about (b) to (c) with (d) as (e) on (f) at (g) with (h) After (i) at (j) with
3. (a) let alone (b) It (c) as if (d) would rather (e) as soon as (f) There (g) If (h) had better (i) What's like (j) have to
4. (a) If you don't work hard in your student life, you will find it difficult to get a good job.
 (b) They supply oxygen without which we cannot survive a single minute.
 (c) I have to study attentively so that I can do well in the examination.
 (d) Would you mind giving me your phone so that I can talk to my mother?
 (e) No sooner had I heard the news than I rushed to the hospital to see him.
 (f) There is hardly anyone who hates flower.
 (g) Walk fast lest you should miss the bus.
 (h) She wants to be a physician.
 (i) They should know that time once gone never comes back.
 (j) He came to my room while I was sleeping.
5. (a) is (b) polluted (c) do (d) contaminates (e) burning (f) happens (g) are burnt (h) held (i) checked (j) will suffer
6. (a) Jim and Della sacrificed their dearest possessions and wanted to buy Christmas presents for each other.
 (b) Della had an ardent desire that was to give her husband a worthy gift.
 Or, Della had an ardent desire that she should give her husband a worthy gift.
 (c) Jim also thought about the way of giving his wife a nice gift.
 (d) A scanty amount of money was saved by Della for this.
 (e) Very few husbands were as sincere as Jim that we have ever known.
7. Fahim requested Arman to give him (F) his (A) English grammar book. Arman said that he (A) could not give it. He (A) added that he (A) had to take it with him (A) in the class. Fahim said that he (F) would return the book before the class started. Arman told Fahim to take it. Fahim thanked Arman.
8. Teaching is a profession which is full of challenge. I want to be a teacher because I like working with children. But my father argues that that one cannot make much money from teaching. He wants me to look after our/ his farms instead. But this profession does not inspire me much.
9. (a) my younger brother (b) many/some (c) main/prime (d) this (e) his (f) early (g) regularly (h) single (i) very (j) bad
10. (a) but (b) Firstly (c) When (d) and (e) Secondly (f) Besides (g) Again (h) So (i) For this (j) If
11. (a) failure (b) task/work/activity (c) simple/ common (d) as (e) understand/realize/learn (f) neglect (g) policy/custom (h) always (i) triumph (j) undesirable/harmful

12. Myself : Good morning, Rana. How are you?
 Rana : I am so so and you?
 Myself : I am well. But why aren't you completely well?
 Rana : In every examination, I'm cutting a sorry figure.
 Myself : What's the reason? Don't you utilize your time properly?
 Rana : I spend most of the time in watching TV.
 Myself : Recreation is necessary. But spending too much time on this has no good side.
 Rana : I don't feel bored in watching TV.
 Myself : But as a student, you should study more and more.
 Rana : Thank you for your good advice.
 Myself : Welcome.

Note : For solution to question no. 13-16 see writing part.

Solution to Dhaka Board-2016

- (a) a (b) × (c) the (d) the (e) a (f) the (g) an (h) a (i) × (j) the
- (a) of (b) for (c) for (d) of (e) of (f) in (g) of/ about (h) in/ beyond (i) in (j) with
- (a) The older — the more (b) There (c) neither will (d) as fast as (e) let alone (f) Would you mind (g) It (h) had better (i) unless (j) as if
- (a) If you take regular physical exercise, you will lead a healthy and happy life.
 (b) They came to you with a view to helping you, but you scolded them without any reason.
 (c) Please wait here until I return.
 (d) If I had been hungry, I would have bought some food.
 (e) So, we should plant more trees.
 (f) There goes a proverb that time and tide wait for none.
 (g) Since the water of this bottle is not pure, we should not drink it.
 (h) Yesterday when we went to their house, we found them quarrelling.
 (i) It is high time the government took proper steps to control it.
 (j) They did it so that they could save their motherland.
- (a) is arranged (b) containing (c) lead (d) played (e) runs (f) is (g) arranged (h) remains (i) scoring (j) are maintained
- (a) Pahela Baishakh is a festival which is undoubtedly the most celebrated one in Bangladesh.
 (b) The city roads get so jam packed on the first day of the Bengali year.
 (c) The day is enjoyed by almost everyone in his own way.
 (d) I do not like gathering but (I) enjoy the activities of this day.
 (e) Very few days of the year are so interesting as it.
- I asked him where he came from. He replied with a smile that he came from San Carlos and added that he had been taking care of animals. Not quite understanding, I expressed my indifference to him. With emphasis he said that he had stayed, I saw, taking care of animals. He added that he had been the last one to leave the town of San Carlos.
- A cook once roasted a duck for his master. The roast looked so delicious that the cook could not resist the temptation and ate up one of the drumsticks. When the master sat down to eat the meal, he quickly noticed the missing leg. He asked the cook what had happened to the other leg. The cook told him that the duck had one leg only. The master said that there was no such thing as a one-legged duck but the cook insisted that every duck had only one leg.
- (a) great/prominent/famous (b) noble/ rich/ landlord/ wealthy/ sophisticated (c) at an early age (d) first (e) to get admitted to a (f) professional (g) to have/ to get (h) to enjoy/to listen to (i) praising (j) forever
- (a) At that time/ At the same time (b) So/ That is why (c) Then/ Suddenly (d) At first (e) For this reason/ Hence (f) Besides/ Again (g) Then (h) But (i) And/ Then (j) So/ After all
- (a) avoided/ignored/ rejected (b) insincerity (c) accountability (d) simplicity (e) love/ affection (f) virtue (g) effect/influence/ impression (h) result/ consequence/ effect (i) significance (j) consciousness
- A : What's solar energy?
 B : It's one of the renewable energy sources.
 A : Why is it called green energy?
 B : Well, it's green energy because it helps us keep the earth green. I mean it doesn't emit any pollutant in the atmosphere when we produce and use it.
 A : I see, then it must be a clean source of energy.
 B : Exactly! that's why it's also called clean energy.

Note : For solution to question no. 13-16 see composition part.

Solution to Rajshahi Board-2016

- (a) an/the (b) an (c) A (d) the (e) the (f) an/ the (g) a (h) × (i) a (j) ×
- (a) by (b) of (c) down (d) of (e) in (f) up (g) outside/ out of (h) off (i) to (j) with
- (a) as soon as (b) in order to (c) whenever (d) let alone (e) There (f) had better (g) would rather (h) was born (i) as if (j) has to
- (a) If you work hard, you will succeed in every sphere of your life.
 (b) It is high time we checked corruption in our national life.

- (c) He is studying hard lest he should miss GPA-5.
- (d) There are a good number of reasons why students fail in English in this country.
- (e) I wish I could fly like birds.
- (f) No sooner had we reached there than the programme started.
- (g) It is not good to keep bad company.
- (h) He behaves as if he were a qualified doctor.
- (i) You had better put on warm clothes.
- (j) Would that I could go back to my childhood days.
5. (a) lived (b) did not undergo (c) got (d) called (e) was (f) prescribe (g) move (h) got (i) following (j) was relieved
6. (a) What an exciting game cricket is!
(b) This game is enjoyed by people of all ages.
(c) At present cricket is more popular than any other game in our country.
(d) In spite of being a costly game, people of all classes enjoy playing cricket.
(e) Though Bangladesh is a test playing country, its standard is not high.
7. The teacher asked Maruf if he (M) had cut his (M) nails short. Maruf replied respectfully that he had not and added that he (M) had forgotten. The teacher said that that was very bad. He (t) also said that he (M) had to be more careful about neatness and cleanliness. He (t) added that by doing so, he (M) could prevent diarrhoea and some other diseases too.
8. Salam and Salma are siblings. They read in a local primary school. Salam is in class five whereas his sister Salma reads in class three. They go to school together. Sometimes they take rickshaw because the school is five kilometers away from their home. Today, Salma is going to school with her father because her brother, Salam is sick. Salam is taking medicine and bed rest.
9. (a) summer (b) thirsty (c) very (d) down (e) to drink the water (f) that (g) for a while (h) Looking around (i) suddenly (j) enough
10. (a) When/ While (b) if (c) rather (d) and (e) Then (f) so that (g) but (h) that (i) During (j) though
11. (a) foe/ enemy/ rival (b) discard (c) compassion (d) justify/examine (e) true (f) benefit (g) cry (h) glee/delight (i) fetch/take (j) concept
12. Husband : Can't you cook food properly?
Wife : I cook food properly. The problem is with you.
Husband : Really, these foods are crap! They taste pathetic.

Wife : I spend time in the kitchen from morning till afternoon, I work hard, I take care of two children at home. What do you do?

Husband : I work hard and earn money that you spend lavishly.

Wife : How dare you say that?

Husband : Well, that is the truth!

Note : For solution to question no. 13-16 see composition part.

Solution to Dinajpur Board-2016

- (a) × (b) a (c) × (d) × (e) × (f) the (g) a (h) the (i) × (j) the
- (a) of (b) by (c) by (d) down (e) by (f) up (g) by (h) in (i) up (j) on
- (a) let alone (b) what's it like (c) it (d) would rather (e) had better (f) as if (g) has to (h) was born (i) There (j) As soon as
- (a) Be punctual lest you should suffer in the long run.
(b) Do you know when the next train will arrive here?
(c) As soon as I saw him, he ran away.
(d) Though he was late, the teacher allowed him to come in.
(e) He must work if he wants to get rid of poverty.
(f) I usually avoid driving in Dhaka city.
(g) As it is a difficult task, the manager assigned Abdullah to complete it.
(h) Whenever I go to visit the Factory, I find him absent.
(i) If you enjoyed the film, you would feel delighted.
(j) We must work hard so that we can overcome the obstacles.
- (a) took (b) have been made (c) have gained (d) became (e) broke (f) witnessed (g) destroyed (h) became (i) was born (j) can hold up/hold up
- (a) Is anger anything but a vice?/ What is anger but a vice?
(b) It begets nothing but the worst.
(c) So it should be controlled for our sake by us.
(d) Taken by anger he causes a lot of troubles.
(e) We should realise it and try to be emotionally balanced.
- The rich man asked the cobbler if he (c) had saved something for future. The cobbler replied that he had not and said that he was happy with the present and thought little about tomorrow*. The rich man disagreed and said that that would not do. He (r) further said that he (r) liked to see him (c) above want. He (r) told him to have that money and keep it.

[N.B : এখানে tomorrow noun হওয়ায় তা পরিবর্তন হবে না।]

8. Travelling is a part of education. It means going from place to place. One can enhance knowledge by going from place to place. It gives one the opportunity to see the unseen and to know the unknown. Some people are averse to travelling. This averseness limits their vision. However, by travelling different parts of the world, their knowledge may be enriched.
9. (a) natural/ liquid (b) its (c) other (d) our (e) contaminated (f) certainly (g) unnecessary/ unexpected (h) water (i) set up (j) Public/ Social
10. (a) who (b) because (c) But (d) So (e) and (f) On the contrary (g) when (h) So (i) Again/ Moreover/ However (j) so that
11. (a) comprise/ contain (b) broad (c) exclude (d) amphibious (e) flourishing (f) narrow (g) territory/ abode (h) invisible (i) uncertain (j) applied
12. "How is your father, Rana?" said Mr Karim. "He is very well. Thank you," replied Rana. "I am glad to hear that he is in good health," said Mr Karim.

Note : For solution to question no. 13-16 see composition part.

Solution to Jessore Board-2016

1. (a) a (b) the (c) the (d) a (e) the (f) × (g) the (h) the/ a (i) the (j) ×
2. (a) of (b) in (c) of (d) from (e) to (f) with (g) under (h) before (i) inside/ in (j) after
3. (a) was born (b) No sooner had (c) had better (d) used to (e) What's the matter (f) But for (g) What do you mean (h) as if (i) It (j) has to
4. (a) He practices geometry a lot so that he gets a good grade in Mathematics.
 (b) It was five years since we had last met.
 (c) Sanjida was writing quite well in the exam when suddenly she fell sick.
 (d) I shall accompany you after I have finished my study.
 (e) He came to you with a view to getting help from you.
 (f) The box was too heavy for him to carry.
 (g) If the bank gives them loan on easy term, they can change their lot.
 (h) It is high time we produced more electricity.
 (i) He joined me without any hesitation.
 (j) Had he got the job, he would have relieved his family of poverty.
5. (a) waste (b) kill (c) sit (d) do not/ cannot support (e) lead (f) suffer (g) indicates (h) shall/ can lead (i) follow (j) have made

6. (a) our (b) international (c) global (d) well (e) the (f) language/ communication (g) your (h) career (i) in the way (j) regularly/ properly
7. I said to the rickshaw puller, "You have carried me a long way. How much shall I pay you? Will fifty take do?" He said, "Anything is all right."
8. On a summer day, becoming very thirsty, a lion and a bear came at the same moment to a small well to drink. They fiercely quarrelled which of them should drink first, and were soon engaged in a mortal fighting. On their stopping on a sudden to take breath for renewal of the fighting, they saw some vultures waiting in the distance to feast on the one which should fall first. They at once stopped the quarrel, saying : "It is better for us to make friends than to become the food of crows or vultures, as will certainly happen if we are disabled."
9. (a) Helal did not accept/ take/ receive the money.
 (b) How Nasir desires to see her once!
 (c) My present house for living is comfortable.
 (d) Everybody admired his speech.
 (e) Though it disturbed him, he did not know the reason.
10. (a) In fact (b) So (c) Rather (d) Obviously (e) Thus (f) Consequently (g) Further (h) Eventually (i) But (j) Moreover
11. (a) permit/allot (b) independence (c) view/ conjecture (d) unfair (e) unequal (f) unification (g) choose/select (h) method/ process (i) cure/ care (j) advantage
12. Nazmul : Excuse me, Where is the nearest hospital?
 Arafat : It's about 2 kilometers from here. You will have to hire a taxi. You can also go by bus.
 Nazmul : I see! Is there a bus station near here?
 Arafat : Yes, there is a bus stop at the corner.
 Nazmul : Thank you.
 Arafat : Don't mention it.

Note : For solution to question no. 13-16 see composition part.

Solution to Comilla Board-2016

1. (a) an (b) an (c) the (d) the (e) a (f) the (g) a (h) the (i) A (j) ×
2. (a) to (b) to (c) by (d) for (e) for (f) to (g) of (h) of (i) by (j) down
3. (a) have to (b) had better (c) as if (d) There (e) would rather (f) let alone (g) It (h) As soon as (i) was born (j) What does.... look like
4. (a) It is really a red-letter day in our national history, because on this day our country became independent.

- (b) A proverb goes that honesty is the best policy.
- (c) Courtesy means showing politeness in one's attitude and behaviour towards others.
- (d) As her economy depends on agriculture, we should give importance on its development.
- (e) You cannot prosper in life unless you make the best use of time.
- (f) Though it is a small country, it is rich in many natural resources.
- (g) Since I am an early riser, I get enough time to complete my daily tasks.
- (h) If you are confident, you will be successful.
- (i) I studied hard lest I should fail in the examination.
- (j) So the son takes up a part time job so that he can continue his study.
5. (a) are (b) is born (c) know (d) start (e) thinking (f) nursing (g) bringing (h) remain (i) taking (j) should offend
6. (a) They had patriotic zeal and fought for the country.
- (b) No other son of our nation is as courageous as they.
- (c) They are admired and respected by everybody.
- (d) Who denies their contribution to their motherland?
- (e) They will always be remembered by their countrymen to the end.
7. One day Hazrat Omar (R) became shocked to see the sufferings of a woman and asked where she lived. The woman replied that she lived in a poor hut south end to that town. She again said that she was hungry but there was no food in her house. She then asked Hazrat Omar (R) if he would give her something to eat. Hazrat Omar (R) told her to go back home. He added that he was going with food and money for her.
8. Women are nowadays as important as men in society. They nearly constitute half of our total population. No nation can make real progress keeping half of its total population in darkness. Without the uplift of women, the development/ progress of the nation is not at all possible. Again, without education, women cannot be uplifted. So proper education should be given to them so that they can work hand in hand with men in all development programmes.
9. (a) last year (b) a local boy (c) many (d) sea/ beautiful (e) along (f) very (g) Entertaining (h) very (i) to stay (j) those
10. (a) and (b) But/ Yet (c) both (d) and (e) On the first hand (f) Moreover (g) Thus (h) On the other hand (i) and/ that (j) But
11. (a) always (b) stronger (c) encourage (d) despairing (e) eagerness (f) capability (g) fancy/ ambition (h) worst (i) failure (j) attain
12. Arif : Hellow, How are you, Zakia?
Zakia : Fine. What about you?
Arif : Well, I was a bit sick.
Zakia : Really! What happened?
Arif : Stomach upset. I had outside food. It troubled my stomach.
Zakia : That's why, I always try to avoid outside food. They are unhygienic.
Arif : I'm not going to have it anymore.
Zakia : Anyway, you take care. Bye.
Arif : Bye.
- Note :** For solution to question no. 13-16 see composition part.
- ### Solution to Chittagong Board-2016
1. (a) the (b) A (c) the (d) a (e) the (f) a (g) the (h) × (i) the (j) ×
2. (a) on (b) from (c) as (d) in (e) of (f) for (g) of (h) on (i) on/for (j) to
3. (a) let alone (b) have to (c) What does.... look like (d) would rather (e) As soon as (f) was born (g) as if (h) had better (i) There (j) Would you mind
4. (a) Garment industry in Bangladesh is one of the major sources of foreign remittance.
- (b) When the Prince heard the news, he attacked Taimur with his army.
- (c) Unless he works hard, he cannot turn the wheels of his fortune.
- (d) When a man works in a systematic way, he can attain success.
- (e) It is a good sign that nowadays much importance is being given on female education.
- (f) It is our sacred duty to save our motherland.
- (g) Life should not be considered as a bed of roses.
- (h) When you are done with your work, you will go home.
- (i) He ran away lest he should be arrested
- (j) Despite his honest work, he is not well paid.
5. (a) be forgiven (b) does not give up (c) will suffer (d) will be taken (e) was (f) killing (g) called (h) brought (i) was left (j) dropped
6. (a) Who doesn't want friend?
- (b) As the heart is formed for love, it cannot be happy without the opportunity of giving and receiving love.
- (c) But you cannot find others to love you without loving them.
- (d) Can you be happy without it?
- (e) Love is divine and everybody wants to love.

7. Addressing the woman as his daughter, the Caliph asked her why her children were crying. The woman replied that they had been starving. The Caliph again asked her if she had none else in the world. The woman replied that her husband had died some months before and he (h) had left them neither money nor any property. She again said that so they were in great distress. She further said that they had to starve sometimes. Expressing sadness, the Caliph said that he might be allowed to see how he could help them/ her.
8. Life is full of struggles. These struggles are quite normal in any one's life as life is not a bed of roses. Certainly it has ups and downs. A man has to face innumerable barriers in his life. Sometimes he can overcome those barriers but sometimes he fails to combat them. He may be born with silver spoon without any trouble. But even then he has to overcome a lot of problems/troubles to be successful in life. In other words, life is full of challenges. If a man cannot fight them successfully, his life becomes full of sorrows. Though the scholars differ in giving the definition of life, they are unanimous that obstacles are the ways of life. In fact, a man has to undergo many problems in his life.
9. (a) clever (b) slowly (c) very (d) to attend (e) new (f) entirely (g) attentively/ curiously (h) to cut off (i) wise (j) no
[N.B : a meeting এর পূর্বের to বাদ যাবে।]
10. (a) Generally/ Therefore (b) As a matter of fact (c) Hence/ Therefore (d) Thus/ Then (e) But/ On the other hand (f) Truly/ Truly speaking (g) Rather (h) Then (i) Eventually (j) So/ Hence
11. (a) cheap (b) shine/ spark (c) charm/ fascinate (d) inward (e) regard/hold (f) charm/attract (g) charmlessness (h) fade (i) inward/ inherent (j) immorality
12. "Good morning, where are you going?" said the merchant. "I was just coming to see you," said the youth. "What do you want?" "Please help me to earn my bread by the labour of my hands." Do you really want work!" said the merchant. "Yes, if you have any." "Then follow me and carry the box from the shop to my house." "By Allah, I'm really grateful to you," said the youth.
4. (a) That's why, they were loved and respected by all.
(b) I took five books that were distributed among them.
(c) When he came out, all praised him warmly.
(d) Though the pen writes well, I have to abandon it.
(e) The poem is too difficult for the students to understand.
(f) If I had a camera, I would take snaps of the spot.
(g) He came to my room while I was making my lessons.
(h) Rina waited until she got the money.
(i) He went to London so that he could continue his study there.
(j) He confessed that he had made the mistake.
5. (a) was sleeping (b) felt (c) Calling (d) fell (e) found (f) came (g) sleeping (h) standing (i) should wake (j) understood
6. (a) Emperor Shah Jahan built the Taj three hundred years ago.
(b) He loved his wife Mamtaj very much and so he built it as a tomb of his dear wife.
(c) He made the building with fine white marbles.
(d) It looks very nice as it rests on a platform of red stone.
(e) Very few buildings in the world are so beautiful as the Taj Mahal.
7. Once I asked a little girl, "What is your mother's name?" She replied, "I can remember my mother's name but I will not tell you that." She again said, "I do not tell my mother's name to anyone whom I do not know." I said, "What a clever girl you are!"
8. A stormy night is fearful and horrible. It causes untold sufferings to the people. In a stormy night, the whole sky is totally overcast with dark cloud. Only the roaring of violent wind can be heard. The wind begins to blow with fearful sound from no directions. People get frightened with sound of storm. In addition to it, there is thundering and lightning. The frequent thundering and lightning causes much terror and fear in the mind of the people who always think that this night may be the end of their lives and the terrible and destructive storm will never come to an end. Storm causes harm to people. The house roofs are blown away. Many trees are uprooted. A large number of houses and shelters are damaged within a very short time. Standing crops are badly damaged. A stormy night is thus a dreadful night to the people.

Note : For solution to question no. 13-16 see composition part.

Solution to Sylhet Board-2016

1. (a) an (b) × (c) × (d) × (e) A (f) a (g) the (h) a (i) the (j) a
2. (a) in (b) in (c) with (d) in (e) in (f) with (g) to (h) with (i) to (j) of
3. (a) What's ... like (b) had better (c) would rather (d) There (e) as if (f) as soon as (g) let alone (h) It (i) was born (j) What if (বোর্ড প্রশ্নের option-এ What is থাকলেও সঠিক উত্তর হবে What if)

9. (a) an black Moor (b) fierce (c) highly (d) who was very beautiful (e) often (f) enough (g) hearing the stories of his adventure (h) intensely (i) gradually (j) to marry
10. (a) Wherever (b) which (c) that (d) Besides (e) So (f) As a result (g) Moreover (h) Though (i) also/ however (j) Any way
11. (a) bad (b) orator (c) articulation (d) possible (e) active (f) honesty/ frankness (g) gravity/ importance (h) impossible (i) objective (j) prosper
12. Tourist : How old is the edifice, guide?
Guide : Madame, it's a 15th century edifice.
Tourist : What a wonderful edifice it is!
Guide : It was built by Akbar, the Emperor of India.
Tourist : Oh, I see!
Guide : Madame, we should move now. The sun is about to set. It would be dark.
Tourist : Isn't the place safe?
Guide : It is. But the security does not allow anybody after sunset.

Note : For solution to question no. 13-16 see composition part.

Solution to Barisal Board-2016

1. (a) a (b) a (c) The (d) an (e) an (f) an (g) the (h) the (i) the (j) ×
2. (a) at (b) through (c) to (d) to (e) to/into (f) for (g) to (h) for (i) from (j) for/ of
3. (a) It (b) let alone (c) as soon as (d) as if (e) had better (f) What if (g) There (h) as long as (i) was born (j) have to
4. (a) You can not buy a car unless you have a lot of money.
(b) Call me in case you need my help.
(c) He is so short that he cannot reach the branch of the tree.
(d) Since there are no more questions to discuss, we have to stop discussion.
(e) I worked hard although I was suffering from headache.
(f) Hardly had we started to eat when a guest entered our house.
(g) We were unable to go by train because of unavailability of tickets.
(h) I will give him the message as soon as I receive it.
(i) When I was a child, I used to live in the village.
(j) I wish I could help them.
5. (a) do not take (b) realize (c) are ruining (d) fall (e) becomes (f) remain (g) can build (h) makes (i) improves (j) gives
6. (a) A lot of emphasis is put on the unity by the Chinese.
(b) The Parks are not empty.
(c) There are lots of clean parks and those are in the cities.
(d) In the evening many families spend their free time watching television.
(e) Life becomes dull if it has no recreation.
7. Sejan asked Shawan if he (Se) knew Bangladesh Open University offered an English self-learning course. Shawan replied that he (Sh) did and said that he (Sh) had heard it from his father who worked as a tutor of the course. He (Sh) added that it was a six-month course known as 'CELT'.
8. Women are now a days as important as men in society. They constitute nearly half of the total population. No nation can make real progress keeping half of the total population in the dark. Without the upliftment of women the progress of the nation is not at all possible. Again, without education women cannot be uplifted. So proper education should be given to them so that they can work hand in hand with men in all development programmes.
9. (a) very (b) often/ also (c) qualified (d) always/ regularly (e) taking (f) rich (g) hardly (h) serious/ poor (i) very (j) village
10. (a) Rather (b) Though (c) yet (d) However (e) At first (f) Then (g) Next (h) Last of all (i) As a result (j) Finally
11. (a) boon/blessing (b) basis/ origin (c) wisdom (d)discourages/blocks (e) advancement (f) prosper/flourish (g) fulfilled (h) tiny (i) definitely/undeniably (j) small
12. Student : May I come in, Sir?
Principal : Yes, come in.
Student : Good morning, Sir.
Principal : Good morning. How can I help you?
Student : Sir, we would like to arrange a study tour.
Principle : It's a great idea! I'll appreciate it. Submit an application to me so that I can take step in favour of you.
Student : Ok, Sir. We will write an application on behalf of the students.
Principal : Ok, see you.
Student : Thank you very much, Sir.
Principal : You are most welcome!

Note : For solution to question no. 13-16 see composition part.