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## Section-A: Reading Part

### 1. Read the comprehension carefully and then answer the following questions.

The history of man is the history of war. Throughout the ages, man has been concerned with the problem of preventing war. If all the people in the world loved peace, no organization to ensure peace would be necessary to outlaw war. But history has proved to mankind that the nations of the world have not been willing to observe these conditions.

The League of Nations, the first association of nations established to work for peace, was founded in 1919. For four years from 1914, war had *raged* throughout Europe. The fighting in this war had been more destructive than anything that mankind had ever experienced. The League of Nations aimed at outlawing war and settling international disputes by peaceful means- by discussion instead of by force. For twenty five years the League of Nations struggled to survive. With the outbreak of the Second World War, in 1939, it ceased to *function*. If it had been able to keep its promise of enforcing disarmament, there would not have been another war. Britain and France had disarmed, but other nations had not followed their example. Some nations had *defied* the League of Nations and gone to war with their neighbors.

These events led to the Second World War in 1939. This war raged over the continents and seas of the world from 1939 to 1945. Millions of soldiers, sailors and *airmen* were killed. Thousands of *innocent civilians* were the *victims* of *deadly* weapons. If there had been no war, all this *suffering* could have been avoided. When the war ended, the people of all the nations began praying for a secure, peaceful world without any fear of war. This desire for world peace led to the founding of the United Nations Organization (UNO).

On October 24 1945, representatives of fifty-one nations met to form an association called the United Nations Organization. The two main aims of UNO are the *maintenance* of international peace and security and the *promotion* of human *welfare* throughout the world. Since then the organization has survived with difficulty. It has *faced* a series of international disputes that could have involved the world in a nuclear war. The successful handling of these disputes has proved that UNO can help in the maintenance of world peace. If UNO had failed to settle them, the world might by now have been involved in a global war and completely destroyed. If it can continue to settle disputes peacefully, the fear of a worldwide disaster will disappear. If it fails, there may be no future hope for mankind.

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- 'Promotions of human welfare'- frame a sentence with the phrase from your own.
- 'Disagreement between two people'- find synonym for the words from the passage.
- \_\_\_ of a family is quite impossible nowadays. Fill in the gap with a suitable word from the passage.
- What made the League of Nations cease to function?
- 'To stay alive'- find synonym for the words from the passage.
- If there were no war in the world, \_\_\_ - Fill in the gap with a suitable clause.
- 'To refuse to obey' - find a synonym for the words from the passage.
- What can lead the mankind to ultimate frustration?- Answer the question from the passage.
- The League of Nations worked for the *promotion of human welfare*. Rewrite the sentence explaining the words in italics.
- The word *deadly* is an (adverb/adjective/adverbial) (Choose the best answer from the alternatives.)



- k) Constitute a sentence with the phrase - 'worldwide disaster'.
- l) What do you think if the UNO is successful or not nowadays?
- m) Representatives of fifty one nations met to form an association called the United Nations Organization. Make a question using WH question words replacing the words underlined.

2. The recent controversy around a question in this year's HSC Bangla First Paper exam has, once again, brought to light the many deficiencies in our education system. It makes us wonder if the so-called "creative" question pattern is serving the purpose of inspiring critical thinking when the teachers themselves are so lackluster in their performances.

The creative question system was first introduced in 2008 to promote critical thinking and move the students away from blindly memorizing guidebooks. However, many teachers still remain woefully unprepared to set questions under this system. According to a government survey, about 38 percent of secondary and higher secondary school teachers in Bangladesh cannot set question papers under the creative method. More than half of all teachers have not been trained in setting creative questions. The teachers who did receive some training complained that it was not adequate.

This has resulted in some teachers copying questions directly out of guidebooks, as had reportedly happened in the 2020 SSC Bangla exam. Many others are accused of buying questions from teachers' associations, even though there are strict government orders against doing so. The other problem that has arisen from this is the appearance of questionable questions in public examination papers, the latest of which is mentioned above.

All these suggest that many of our teachers lack the necessary guidance to set creative questions, in the absence of adequate training or comprehensive guidelines of what's acceptable to posit in a question. It's high time we took a look at what these trainings contain and evaluated whether our teachers themselves lack the sensitivity and critical thinking needed to foster such skills in their students.

Our education system for young students should inspire them to think critically and creatively. An atmosphere of learning and free thinking should be upheld at all the educational institutions across the country, and our teachers should be trained to maintain that. Academic freedom and a free exchange of ideas should be the first priority of our educators. Failing that and preparing communal question papers instead will do irreparable harm to our society.

#### Answer the questions as directed

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- a) Sometimes creative questions are imitated from the guidebooks. True or false?
- b) Find a synonym for the word 'sufficient' from the passage.
- c) We should overcome \_\_\_ to strengthen our education system. Fill in the gaps with word from the passage.
- d) The word failing in the last sentence is gerund or present participle?
- e) What does the survey tell us regarding our education system?
- f) Students ought to be \_\_\_ to think critically and creatively. Fill in the gaps with word from the passage.
- g) How will you explain the phrase 'blindly memorizing'?
- h) All education boards should train teachers regarding question \_\_\_. Fill in the gaps with word from the passage.
- i) All educationists should give priority to \_\_\_ freedom.
- j) Find a synonym for the phrase main concern.
- k) Learning and free thinking should be upheld at all the educational institutions (Make it active).
- l) Write the noun form of the word 'adequate'.
- m) In our country, the critical question system was first put to practice in 2018. True or false?

n) Make a sentence of your own with the phrase the purpose of inspiring.

3. Write a summary of the unseen passage in 50 words.

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### Grammar Part

4. Answer the following questions as directed.

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- a) Government should undertake steps \_\_\_\_ our education system is developed. (Use a suitable conjunction)
- b) Though the creative model is good, many teachers are not aware of it. (What type of subordinate clause is it?)
- c) Students should be taught to think \_\_\_\_ (create). (Use correct part of speech)
- d) It is obligatory for you to help your brother. (Rewrite the sentence using a suitable modal auxiliary)
- e) Make a sentence with phrase **even though**
- f) Give an example of third conditional sentence.
- g) If water is boiled at 100°C, it \_\_\_\_ (become) vapor. (Complete the sentence)
- h) Give an example of present perfect continuous beginning with 'How long \_\_\_\_'
- i) Either you or your brother (be) suitable for this job. (Use verb 'be' in suitable form.)
- j) The tree was cut \_\_\_\_ a wood cutter \_\_\_\_ an axe. (Use prepositions in the gaps.)
- k) The number of the students who have withdrawn from the class this quarter (is/are) appalling. (Show suitable sub-verb-agreement)
- l) A compound sentence consists of two or more (subordinate /principal/adverbial) clauses. (Choose the best answer from the options)
- m) A conditional sentence is a (compound sentence/simple sentence/complex sentence). (Choose the right option)
- n) Kamal has no excuse \_\_\_\_ dropping from school. (Put suitable preposition in the gap)
- o) Nobody saw him without walking stick. (If the underlined word is gerund or participle?)
- p) Do this without \_\_\_\_ any mistakes. (Put a suitable gerund in the gap)
- q) If I asked him to wait, \_\_\_\_\_. (Complete this sentence according to the structure of conditional sentence)
- r) My cousin along with his parents (to have) visited the USA. (Use right form of verb)
- s) You informed me what happened there. (What type of depended clause the underlined one is?)
- t) It was many years since I (see) her last. (Use correct form of verb)

### Writing Part- 10

5. Free and Fair election depends on good intentions of a government of a country- do you agree or not? Give reasons for or against your answer.

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6. Suppose you are the Chief Executive Officer of Apex group. Now write a letter of greetings to the CEO of Walton group for his being selected CIP second time.

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7. Listening test (respective teachers will conduct it in the classroom)

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**1. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow. (15)**

The dog has been man's best friend for thousands of years. Dogs are friendly, obedient and faithful animals. King Edward VII of England had a pet terrier named Caesar. When the king died in 1910, Caesar led the funeral procession, walking before kings and princes. After famous composer Mozart had died only one living creature followed his coffin to the grave. It was his faithful dog. Many stories are told of the bravery and faithfulness of dogs. There is even a village named after such a dog. It is the village of Bethgelert (Which means 'grave of Gelert'). In North Wales according to the story that has been told in the village for many centuries, Gelert was a hunting dog belonging to Llewellyn, the great lord of the region. One morning when Llewellyn wanted to go on hunting, he couldn't find Gelert and set off without him. On his return from the hunt, Llewellyn found Gelert covered with blood. Llewellyn's baby was not in its bed and the bed itself was in disorder. Thinking that the dog had eaten the child Llewellyn killed Gelert with his sword. The noise awoke the baby, who had been asleep under a heap of bed coverings. The father heard his child's cry and found him there, safe and sound. Under the bed was found a great wolf killed by Gelert. The faithful dog had saved the life of his master's child and lost his own because of a tragic misunderstanding.

Dogs are intelligent animals, so it is easy to train them. In Arctic regions people are transported across the ice on sleds pulled by dogs. In 1925 Balto, an Eskimo dog, carried diphtheria serum 600 miles through snowstorm in Alaska. A dog named Barry rescued 40 persons when they were lost on the Saint Bernard Pass in Switzerland about 150 years ago.

Dogs have also helped in scientific research. The world's first space traveler was a dog named Laika. Russian Scientist sent it up in an artificial Earth Satellite in 1957. Dogs have been film stars too. A dog called Lassie was the star in a number of American Films. Dogs can hear and smell better than man, but they can't see so well. You may be surprised to learn that dogs are color blind. A dog sees object first by their movement, second by their brightness and third by their shape. A dog lives on average for about 12 to 13 years.

**A. Answer the following questions in one complete sentence. A sentence directly quoted from the passage will not be given any credit.**

- i. Why do you think Caesar led the funeral procession of King Edward VII? 1 × 5 = 5
- ii. What did Llewellyn do with his dog Gelert?
- iii. Why was a village named Bethgelert?
- iv. What was the tragic misunderstanding that led to the death of Gelert?
- v. What was the scientific project where Laika was used?

**B. Make your own sentences with the following words and phrases.**

Named after, set off, on my/his return, a heap of, a number of

1 × 5 = 5

**C. Fill in the blanks with appropriate word / phrases from the passage.**

- i. An-----student plays a great role in the progress of an institution. 0.5 × 6 = 3
- ii. -----is an essential quality for a soldier.
- iii. Properties-----an orphan must be handled very carefully.
- iv. Seeing all my household things in -----I could realize that a theft occurred there.
- v. He fell-----while he was reading a newspaper.
- vi. Now a days we are often cheated with-----things.

**D. Make two sentences following the structures used in the following sentences.**

- a. *When the king died in 1910, Caesar led the funeral procession.*
- b. *Under the bed was found a great wolf killed by Gelert.*

1 × 2 = 2

**2. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow: (10)**

Some people seem to have been born with an unflinching sense of direction. Even when lost in a forest, they find their way home as surely as a dog picks up the scent of a hunted man. The secret is probably that they never feel lost. Others, like myself, can even manage to get lost in a department store.

While in the army there was nothing I disliked so much as the map-reading course, for the simple reason that I always feel lost even with a map in my hand. For weeks I had lain awake at night thinking of the practical test I would have to face at the end of the course. At last, the evil day arrived. It was to be my responsibility to lead a small band of soldiers back to the camp from the middle of nowhere. We were driven out in a close lorry and left in a ploughed field with instructions to get back to camp as quickly as possible.

Well knowing my abilities, the soldiers smiled as they saw me looking at the map and they made all sorts of helpful suggestions. I folded the map up, put it in my pocket, and said that we would head east. After walking through cornfields for over an hour we came to a wide stream. I again looked at the map. It seemed to be covered with