

Model Question of SSC Examination 2018 for All Board

English (Compulsory) 1st Paper

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Time : 3 hours

Total Marks : 100

[Answer all the questions. Figure in the margin indicate full marks]

Part A – Reading Test (50 Marks)

Read the following passage and answer the questions below:

In order to know whether a nation is rich or poor, developed or undeveloped one does not need to count the number of its palatial buildings and monuments or the number of the people who enjoy a high standard of living. It is enough to count the number of its literate people. The literacy or illiteracy rate in a country determines whether it is rich or poor, developed or undeveloped. The higher the rate of illiteracy in a country, the greater will be the extent of poverty and backwardness. Illiteracy is a curse. It is the root cause of ignorance which frustrates all development efforts of the government and the community. No development efforts can be successful unless illiteracy is eradicated. Educating the illiterate in a country like Bangladesh with vast population is undoubtedly a gigantic task. No individual community or organization, not even the government is capable of solving this huge problem single-handed. It is the social responsibility of all the literate people — men and women, to make some concerted efforts to remove illiteracy from society.

1. Choose the correct answer from the alternatives: $1 \times 7 = 7$

a. The word 'monument' indicates —.

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| i) replacement | ii) cenotaph |
| iii) building | iv) settlement |

b. To eradicate illiteracy is our social —.

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| i) obstacle | ii) handle |
| iii) degeneracy | iv) obligation |

c. What is the similar meaning of the word 'extent'?

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| i) purview | ii) limitation |
| iii) process | iv) function |

- d. What is the closest meaning of the word 'palatial'?
- i) fascinating ii) attractive
iii) magnificent iv) huge
- e. Which of the following words describes the illiteracy best?
- i) imprudent ii) uneducated
iii) unwise iv) adamant
- f. The synonym of 'determine' is —.
- i) ordain ii) avoiding
iii) combined iv) evasion
- g. What should we do first for illiteracy?
- i) counting ii) teaching
iii) observing iv) removing

2. Answer the following questions: 2×5=10

- (a) What are the causes of higher illiteracy rate in a country?
- (b) What are the main obstacles to remove illiteracy?
- (c) How can you get your country with literate people?
- (d) How does illiteracy harm a country?
- (e) Express your ideas that illiteracy is a curse. Why?

3. Write a summary of the passage in no more than 90 to 100 words. 1×5=5

4. Read the passage and complete the table below with information from the passage. 1×5=5

Dr. Quadrat-E-Khuda, born in 1900 in Birbhum, West Bengal, was a great scientist. He passed the Matriculation Examination from Kolkata Madrasa at the age 18. He obtained his M.Sc degree in Chemistry securing the gold medal. He obtained the D.Sc Degree in 1929 from London University. He was the Principal of Islamia College and Presidency College, Calcutta in 1947. He was appointed as the scientific advisor to the Ministry of

Defense. After the independence of Bangladesh, he was made chairman of the National Education Commission in 1972. He was appointed Visiting Professor of Dhaka University in 1975 and served there till his death in 1977. The government of Bangladesh honoured him with 'Ekushey Padak' in 1976 and 'Swadhinata Dibas Puraskar' in 1984.

Who/ What	Event	Year	Where
	passed Matriculation	(i) —	
(ii) —	appointed him as advisor		
	(iii) —		Dhaka University
(iv) —	honoured him		
	died	(v) —	

5. From your reading of the above passage fill in the blanks with suitable words. Use one word only in each blank. 10

Dr. Qudrat E-Khuda is a well known (a) — in our country. He was famous for his outstanding (b) — to science. He was made the chairman of National Education Commission of (c) — in 1972. He (d) — also a visiting professor of Chemistry at Dhaka University. He (e) — Ekushey Padak and Swadhinata Dibas Puraskar.

6. Match the parts of sentences given in column 'A' and column 'B' to write five complete sentences. There are more part of sentences in column 'B' than required. $1 \times 5 = 5$

Column A	Column B
(a) Language is a	(i) meant for human feelings.
(b) We communicate with others	(ii) do not mean language.
(c) Language is made of	(iii) mean for all types of creatures.
(d) All the sounds	(iv) all kinds of sounds.
(e) Language is	(v) medium of expressing our feelings.
	(vi) through language.
	(vii) particular kinds of sounds.

7. Put the following parts of the story in correct order to rewrite the whole story. 1×8=8

- a) The officials also expected to see somebody who was rich and aristocratic. They never imagined that this shabby man would be Einstein.
- b) The queen was highly amazed at his simplicity.
- c) They looked for him here and there for some time. But unfortunately, they failed to find him out. So they went back to the queen and informed her that Einstein had not come by train.
- d) Einstein, the great scientist, was simple in his ways of life.
- e) Einstein, however, walked the whole way with a suitcase in one hand and a violin in the other hand. When he reached the destination, the queen said to him, "I sent a car for you, Dr. Einstein."
- f) Once the queen of Belgium invited him to Brussels.
- g) He travelled to Brussels by train and got down at the station. But he could not think that many gorgeously dressed officials had come to receive him at the station.
- h) "I did not think that anybody would send a car for me," replied the great scientist with a smile. "But I can assure you that I have greatly enjoyed the walk," said Einstein.

Part B – Writing Test (50 Marks)

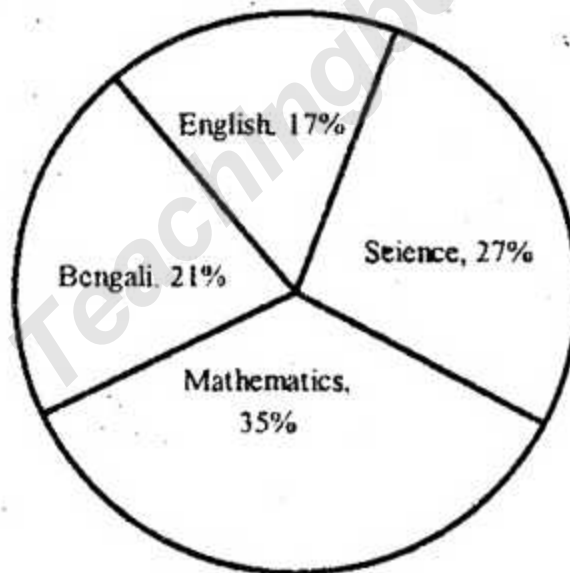
8. Answer the following questions to write a paragraph on "Terrorism: A severe Problem". You should write about 250 words. 10

(a) What is terrorism? (b) What are the causes of it? (c) What happens when it prevails? (d) What can be the remedy? (e) What measures should be taken to prevent it?

9. Read the beginning of a story. Write ten new sentences to complete the story. 10

One day a boy of class X was going to school. Suddenly, he saw a purse dropped by someone on the road. He was quite at a loss.....

10. The pie-chart below shows the interest of the students of a secondary school in different subjects. Describe the chart. 10



11. Write a letter to your young brother advising him on how to improve in English. 10
12. Suppose, your friend is Ripon. He does not learn his lessons properly. He makes a bad result in the exam. When the examination approaches, he is afraid of the exam. He adopts unfair means to pass the exam. Now, write a dialogue between you and your friend about the bad effect of copying the exam. 10