

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 passage and answer the questions below:

26 March, our Independence Day, is the biggest state festival. The day is celebrated every year in the country with great enthusiasm and fervor. It is a national holiday. All offices, educational institutions, shops and factories remain closed on this day. The day begins with 31 gunshots. Early in the morning the President and the Prime Minister on behalf of the nation place floral wreaths at the National Mausoleum at Savar. Then diplomats, political parties, social and cultural organizations, and freedom fighters pay homage to the martyrs. People from all walks of life also come there with rallies and processions. There are several cultural programmes throughout the day highlighting the heroic struggle and sacrifice in 1971. The country also witness a smartly dressed parade of defense forces, border guards, police, ansars and the VDP (Village Defense Party) at the National Parade Ground near the National Parliament. In Bangabandhu Stadium, school children, scouts and girl guides take part in various displays to entertain thousands of spectators. The educational institutions also organize their individual programmes. Sports meets and tournaments are also organized on the day including the exciting boat race in the river Buriganga. In the evening, all major public buildings are illuminated with colourful lights. Bangla Academy, Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy and other socio-cultural organizations hold cultural functions. Similar functions are also arranged in other places in the country.

[Unit-3, Lesson-5]

1. Choose the correct answer from the alternatives: $1 \times 7 = 7$
- A. Which of the following has the closest meaning of the word 'fervor' used in line 3?
- i) colorful programs
 - ii) passionate feeling
 - iii) intense celebration
 - iv) indifferent feeling
- B. The expression 'pay homage' means —
- i) remembering the dead
 - ii) giving home as gifts
 - iii) showing respect
 - iv) visiting martyr's home
- C. All the people gather at National Mausoleum on 26 —
- i) to enjoy cultural shows
 - ii) to see the martyrs
 - iii) to see the diplomats
 - iv) to give due admiration
- D. The word 'Mausoleum' is closest in meaning to —
- i) catacomb
 - ii) grave
 - iii) designed architecture
 - iv) prestige center
- E. 26th March is a —
- i) religious festival day
 - ii) political festival day
 - iii) social festival day
 - iv) national festival day
- F. 'All walks of life' refers to —
- i) general people
 - ii) passersby
 - iii) down trodden people
 - iv) a selected group
- G. The purpose of the parade at National Parade Ground is —
- i) to show the military strength
 - ii) to show how to do a parade
 - iii) to show respect to the martyrs
 - iv) to demonstrate a sense of supremacy

2. Answer the following questions:— $2 \times 5 = 10$

- (a) What does 26 March remind us?
- (b) What is the significance of 31 gunshots?
- (c) Which organizations arrange cultural functions?
- (d) What do the cultural programs highlight?

- (e) Do you support the attitude, "The country also witnesses a smartly dressed parade." Why/Why not?
3. Fill in each gap with a suitable word of your own based on the information from the above passage: $1 \times 5 = 5$
- 26 March is a (a) — letter day for the people of Bangladesh. On this day, our (b) — War began. The heroic sons of our country (c) — their lives. So, the whole nation (d) — the day every year to (e) — respect to the martyrs.

Read the passage on Zahir Raihan and answer the questions below (4-5):

Zahir Raihan was one of the most talented film makers in Bangladesh. He was born on 19 August, 1935 in the village Majupur, in Feni district. He was an active worker of the Language Movement. He was one of the ten students to go out in a procession on 21 February 1952 despite a ban on such activities. As a result, he and many others were arrested and taken to prison. Zahir was also present at the historical meeting of Amtala on February 21, 1952. He also took part in the Mass Movement in 1969. In 1971, he joined the Liberation War. [Unit-10, Lesson-4]

4. Complete the table below with information from the passage. $1 \times 5 = 5$

Who/ Which/ What	Event	Place	Date / Time
Zahir Raihan	born	(i) —	19 August, 1935
He	(ii) —	Mass Movement	1969
Zahir	joined	Amtala meeting	(iii) —
He	was arrested	(iv) —	1952
Zahir Raihan	took part	(v) —	1971

5. Write a summary of the passage in no more than 35 to 45 words.

6. Match the phrases in column 'A' with the phrase in column B to make complete sentences. 1×5= 5

Column A	Column B
i. Ibn-I-Batuta was a	a. thirty years in travelling
ii. During his lifespan, he spent more than	b. took him six months to reach Chittagong and from there another one month to reach Sylhet
iii. He somehow came to know the name of Hazrat	c. two persons met him
iv. Accordingly, he set out for his long tour and it	d. world famous traveller
v. On hearing the arrival of Ibn-I-Batuta, two persons	e. became very pleased hearing it
	f. Shah Jalal and out of respect and curiosity made up his mind to visit him
	g. were sent by Hazrat Shah Jalal outside the town of Sylhet to receive his honourable guest

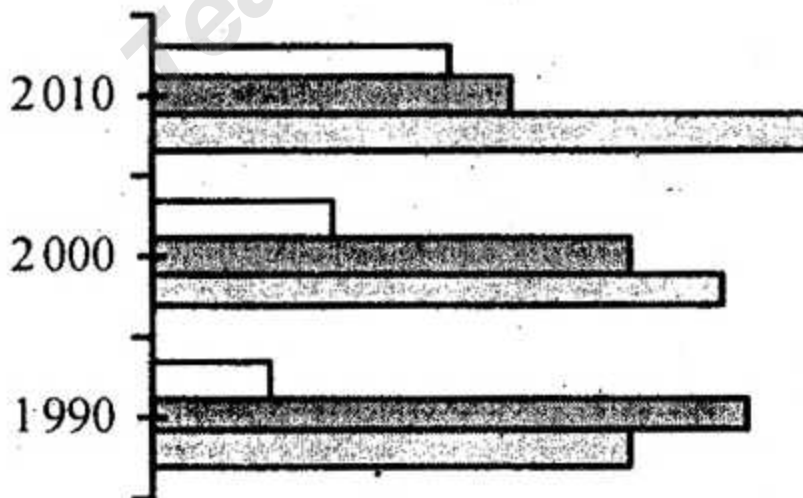
7. Rearrange the following sentences in correct order to make a story. 1×8=8

- a) The fox said, "What a noble advice it is!" Then he carried the turtle to the river and let it go.
- b) The fox began to shout "You are ok, come now, dear." But the turtle raised his neck and said, "Here are more cunning animals than you."
- c) The turtle began to make more distance and by noticing it tears came out on the fox's eyes.
- d) The shouting of the fox got slow gradually.
- e) Once a hungry fox captured a turtle to eat and said, "How hard your body is!"

- f) The fox said, "I'm here, don't waste my time. Come quick while you're soft enough".
- g) The turtle began to dive and make a great distance between them.
- h) The cunning turtle said, "Let me go the river to soften my body."

Part B – Writing Test (50 Marks)

8. Answer the following questions to write a paragraph on "Global Warming". 10
- (a) What is a global warming? (b) What are the causes of global warming? (c) What are the effects of global warming? (d) What should we do to stop it? (e) Why do we need a green environment?
9. Read the beginning of a story and complete it with not more than ten sentences. Give a title. 10
- It was on the first day of Boishakh. Dulal came out of his house with all his family members.....
10. Look at the following graph that describes the Child Marriage Rate of Bangladesh in different decades. Now, describe the graph in 150 words. 10



11. Write a letter to your friend Jenny congratulating her on getting a full free scholarship in USA. 10
12. Write a dialogue between you and your friend Jack about the Rohingya crisis and its remedies. 10