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English (Compulsory) 2nd Paper

[N.B. The figures in the right margin indicate full marks.]

Part A : Grammar (60 Marks)

1. Fill in the blanks with the words from the box. You may need to change the forms of some of the words. You may use one word more than once: 0.5×10=5

about	between	of	basic	no
educate	almost	right	will	light

Education removes our ignorance and gives us the (a) — of knowledge. In respect (b) — imparting education, there should be (c) — discrimination (d) — man and woman. Education is one of the (e) — human rights. If we deprive woman of the (f) — of education, (g) — half of our population (h) — remain in darkness. No development can be brought (i) — without the participation of woman. So, the government is doing everything to (j) — the womenfolk.

2. Fill in the blanks with suitable words: 0.5×10=5

Adopting unfair means in the examination is (a) — offence. It degrades (b) — standard of education. If the students of (c) — country do not acquire (d) — education, there will be no development for (e) — country. (f) — examinee should study seriously so that he can cut (g) — good figure in the examination. To acquire true education should be (h) — only aim in the lives of all students. (i) — educated man cannot support adopting (j) — unfair means in the examination at all.

3. Make five sentences using the parts of sentences from each column of the table below: 1×5=5

Independence	went	the war.
No nation	took place	to the battlefield to save the country.
Our War of Liberation	be	it without struggle.
People of all walks of life	joined	in 1971.
They	can achieve	the birthright of a nation.

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4. Complete the following text with right forms of verbs given in the box:

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reach	cause	carry	violate	occur
drive	solve	create	suffer	give

Traffic jam is a common affair in big cities of our country. Increasing number of vehicles (a) — traffic jam. Mainly it (b) — in the congested areas. Overtaking tendency also (c) — traffic jam. Some drivers (d) — the traffic rules and (e) — carelessly. It (f) — a lot of pains to the people. Ambulances (g) — patients cannot (h) — hospital timely. Students and office going people also (i) — due to traffic jam. This problem should be (j) — immediately.

5. Change the narrative style of the following text:

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Rina said to Sima, "Why don't you get up early from sleep?" Sima said, "It is tough for me to leave bed early." "Alas! It is a bad habit," said Rina, "If you leave bed early, you can enjoy sound health. Follow my advice."

6. Change the sentences according to directions.

1×10=10

- Haji Mohammad Mohsin was more gracious than any other man in this subcontinent. (Positive)
- He was born in Hoogli. (Complex)
- He inherited a vast property from his father and sister. (Interrogative without changing meaning)
- He did not misuse this wealth. (Passive)
- He is called a friend of humanity. (Active)
- He did not marry. (Affirmative)
- During his lifetime, he spent money lavishly to help the poor. (Compound)
- He was very kind to the poor. (Negative without changing meaning)
- One day when a thief entered his room, he caught him. (Simple)
- He caught the thief but did not punish him. (Complex)

7. Complete the sentences:

1×5=5

- There are many stars in the sky —.
- Rukab will swim after —.
- A graveyard is the place —.
- cannot be blotted.
- The answer that he —.

8. Complete the text adding suffixes, prefixes or the both with the root words given in the parenthesis:

0.5×10=5

King Solomon was (a) — (fame) — for his (b) — (wise) —. He was blessed with (c) — (ordinary) — knowledge and it was really beyond people's (d) — (imagine) —. One day the Queen of Sheba wanted to test how wise he was. Solomon was given two kinds of flowers. One was (e) — (nature) — and the other was (f) — (artifice) —. As he had a close (g) — (associate) — with nature, he had been (h) — (success) — to differentiate them. In this way, his (i) — (repute) — of (j) — (multidimension) — knowledge spread all over the world.

9. Make tag questions of these following statements.

1×5=5

- Everyone is nostalgic in life, —?
- We hardly forget the golden past, —?
- The memories of childhood are always haunting us, —?
- The sweetest memory of childhood is colorful, —?
- Who forgets these memories, —?

10. Complete the following passage using suitable connectors in the blanks:

1×5=5

Summer noon is very painful and disgusting. (a) — the sun shines hotly over head, life becomes miserable. The sufferings of the people know no bounds (b) — the electricity goes off. (c) — the people use hand fans to fan themselves. Children can neither sleep (d) — read. They feel out of sorts. (e) — the poor suffer most. They work outside in the burning sun.

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

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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