

## MODEL QUESTION 4

Unit: 5 / lesson: 1

A: Seen Part

Read the text and answer questions 1 and 2:

Sheikh Mujibur Rahman was one of the few student leaders who played a significant role in turning the language movement into a mass movement. As a student leader, he was the central figure in organizing mass gatherings, rallies and strikes for raising awareness against the discriminatory language policy of Pakistan. The language movement started when the Governor General of Pakistan, Muhammad Ali Jinnah, declared, "Urdu and only Urdu shall be the state language of Pakistan" on 19 March 1948 at the Racecourse Maidan while addressing a public gathering. He again uttered the same on 24 March 1948 at the University of Dhaka during his convocation speech. The students instantly protested against this announcement vehemently.

It was the time when young Mujib started organizing the student front of Muslim League in East Pakistan. He was proud of his Bengali identity and very active to initiate strikes and protests against the language policy of Pakistan government. Later, the then Prime Minister of Pakistan Khwaja Nazimuddin echoed the statement of Mr. Jinnah on 26 January, 1952. Mujib was in prison during this time due to his political activism and was admitted to the Dhaka Medical College under police custody. However, he stayed in constant touch with other leaders directly engaged in the movement to make Bangla the state co language. His directions from prison led the movement to a success. On 14 February, he started a hunger strike there.

During a general strike on 21 February, 1952 the protesting students tried to defy Section 144 imposed by the government. The police opened fire and killed a number of students including Abdus Salam, Rafiq Uddin Ahmed, Abul Barkat, Abdul Jabbar and others. In his autobiography Sheikh Mujibur Rahman says-

*" We decided in the meeting in my room to observe 21 February as State Language Day and to form a committee that day to conduct the movement to establish Bengali as the state language."*

1. Choose the correct answer to each question from the alternatives given and write the corresponding number of the answers in your answer script. 1x7=7

a) The word **discriminatory** means \_\_\_\_\_

- i) biased                      ii) equal                      iii) impartial                      iv) neutral

b) The word **vehemently** means \_\_\_\_\_

- i) commonly                      ii) tiredly                      iii) intensely                      iv) casually

c) The word **initiate** means \_\_\_\_\_

- i) discharge                      ii) start                      iii) close                      iv) shut

d) The word **statement** means \_\_\_\_\_

- i) speech                      ii) account                      iii) invoice                      iv) expense



- e) The word **activism** means \_\_\_\_\_
- i) ghost                      ii) soul                      iii) demonstrator                      iv) wisdom
- f) The word **custody** means \_\_\_\_\_
- i) supervision                      ii) jail                      iii) prison                      iv) imprison
- g) The word **hunger** means \_\_\_\_\_
- i) apathy                      ii) satisfaction                      iii) glut                      iv) starvation
- h) The word **strike** means \_\_\_\_\_
- i) protection                      ii) opposition                      iii) walkout                      iv) guard
- i) The word **impose** means \_\_\_\_\_
- i) impute                      ii) forgive                      iii) remit                      iv) release
- j) The word **constant** means \_\_\_\_\_
- i) inconstant                      ii) occasional                      iii) unusual                      iv) frequent
- k) **Mass movement** refers to the text \_\_\_\_\_
- i) to go ahead
- ii) an organized effort by a large number of people
- iii) an unorganized effort by a large number of people
- iv) an organized effort by a small number of people
- l) ..... 1952 the **protesting** students tried to defy Section 144..... Here **protesting** is used as \_\_\_\_\_
- i) gerund                      ii) present participle                      iii) past participle                      iv) noun
- m) The language Movement Began during the reign of \_\_\_\_\_
- i) Bangabandu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman                      ii) Khwaja Nazimuddin
- iii) Muhammad Ali Jinnah                      iv) Ayub Khan
- n) Who declared "**Urdu and only Urdu shall be the state language of Pakistan**"? \_\_\_\_\_
- i) Khwaja Nazimuddin                      ii) Bangabandu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman
- iii) Ayub Khan                      iv) Muhammad Ali Jinnah
- o) Where did the then Governor General of Pakistan first proclaim that Urdu would be the only state language of Pakistan?

- i) at the University of Dhaka  
 ii) at the Racecourse Maidan  
 iii) at the premises of Shilpakala Academy  
 iv) none of them
- p) The students of Dhaka University raised voice against \_\_\_\_\_  
 i) the statement of Khwaja Nazimuddin  
 ii) the speech of Muhammad Ali Jinnah  
 iii) the statement of Bangabandu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman  
 iv) the speech of the then Prime Minister of Pakistan
- q) Khwaja Nazimuddin was \_\_\_\_\_  
 i) the then Prime Minister of Pakistan  
 ii) the then Prime Minister of West Pakistan  
 iii) the then Prime Minister of East Pakistan  
 iv) all of them
- q) Who repeated the statement of Jinnah?  
 i) Khwaja Nazimuddin  
 ii) Bangabandu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman  
 iii) Ayub Khan  
 iv) None of them
- r) When did Mujib begin to organize the student front of Muslim League in East Pakistan?  
 i) in 1952  
 ii) in 1948  
 iii) in 1954  
 iv) in 1972
- s) Where did Sheikh Mujibur Rahman start a hunger strike?  
 i) in jail  
 ii) at Racecourse Maidan  
 iii) at Dhaka University  
 iv) none of them
- t) **Section 144** refers to \_\_\_\_\_  
 i) a law that allows public gatherings  
 ii) a law that admits public gatherings  
 iii) a law that prohibits public gatherings  
 iv) a law that encourage public gatherings
- u) **Open fire** refers to \_\_\_\_\_  
 i) shoot aiming at someone  
 ii) shoot indiscriminately  
 iii) to aim gun to shoot  
 iv) to make fire to burn something
- v) **stay in touch** refers to \_\_\_\_\_  
 i) to touch something  
 ii) involved  
 iii) get involved in  
 iv) To maintain contact with
- w) The word **only** is a/an \_\_\_\_\_



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- i) Noun                      ii) adjective                      iii) verb                      iv) adverb
- x) The word **vehemently** is a/an \_\_\_\_\_
- i) Noun                      ii) adjective                      iii) verb                      iv) adverb
- y) "Urdu and only Urdu shall be the state language of Pakistan." What does it signify? \_\_\_\_\_
- i) the Pakistanis would speak Urdu                      ii) offices would use Urdu
- iii) all activities of the state would run in Urdu                      iv) none of them
- z) Sheikh Mujibur Rahman played a significant role in our Language Movement. What does the underlined word mean here?
- i) famous                      ii) important                      iii) infamous                      iv) active
- 1) The protesting students tried to defy Section 144 imposed by the government. What does the underlined words mean in this sentence?
- i) to refuse                      ii) to agree                      iii) to accept                      iv) to obey
- 2) What's the meaning of the word "autobiography" in the passage?
- i) The story of a person's life written by somebody else
- ii) The story of a person's life written by his friends
- iii) The story of a person's life written by that person himself
- iv) The story of a person's life written by a journalist
- 3) Which of the following words is the meaning of "central" in the passage?
- i) most important                      ii) less important                      iii) unimportant                      iv) popular
- 4) "We decided in the meeting in my room to observe 21 February as State Language Day". What does the underlined word mean?
- i) to celebrate                      ii) to maintain                      iii) to understand                      iv) to arrange
- 5) The antonym of **protested** is \_\_\_\_\_
- (i) announced                      (ii) challenged                      (iii) contradicted                      (iv) accepted
- 6) The antonym of **significant** is \_\_\_\_\_
- (i) worthless                      (ii) eventful                      (iii) meaningful                      (iv) important

2. Answer the following questions from your reading of the above text.

2x4 = 8

- a) Where was Sheikh Mujibur Rahman during the Language Movement in 1952?
- b) Why do you think Mujib struggled for establishing Bengali as the state language?
- c) What happened on 21 February in 1952?
- d) Why did Sheikh Mujibur Rahman start a hunger strike?
- e) Why did the students protest the speech of Muhammad Ali Jinnah?

