

**Part A : Seen (20 Marks)**

Read the text and answer questions 1 and 2.

[Unit-5; Lesson-2(A)]

Shamima started to tell us her story. Listening to her, we were stunned and at the same time our hearts were filled with admiration for her.

It was 1995, Shamima was 15 years old. She got promoted to class 8. Shamima had all the dreams of an adolescent. She wanted to bring about a change in her life. She wanted to see happiness in her family too. She knew she could fulfil her dream by completing her education and getting a good job.

Fifteen-year old Shamima's dreams were nipped in the bud. Her father wanted to marry her off against her will. Marrying off a girl under 18 is against the law in Bangladesh. Shamima did not want to get married. But nobody paid any heed to her. They arranged her marriage with a man much older than her. All her tears and protests went in vain. Shamima was married off to Kamal Uddin Joardar.

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

- (a) The phrase 'nipped in the bud' means—in this passage.  
 (i) spoiled (ii) picked  
 (iii) developed (iv) destroyed at the beginning of the process
- (b) The word 'stunned' means in the passage —.  
 (i) anxious (ii) stop (iii) overwhelmed (iv) amused
- (c) The word 'adolescent' means in the passage —.  
 (i) a young man (ii) a boy  
 (iii) a young person aged between 13 to 18 (iv) a girl
- (d) Marrying off a girl under 18 in Bangladesh is —.  
 (i) authorized (ii) unlawful (iii) restricted (iv) unrestricted
- (e) Shamima's dreams were — after her marriage.  
 (i) started (ii) encouraged (iii) stopped (iv) roused
- (f) Shamima did not want to get married because she wanted to complete her education but nobody — her  
 (i) talked to (ii) listened to (iii) took care (iv) looked after
- (g) She was married off to a man much — than her.  
 (i) taller (ii) younger (iii) richer (iv) older

2. Answer the following questions from your reading of the above text. 2x4=8

- (a) Did Shamima want to marry at that age?  
 (b) Whom was Shamima married off to?  
 (c) How were Shamima's dreams nipped in the bud?  
 (d) Did Shamima have any dream? If yes, what was it?

3. Read the following text and fill in the gaps with appropriate words to make it a meaningful one. 1x5=5

Communication of ideas is at the centre of civilization. It needs written records. Most of our (a) — in the modern age are on paper. (b) — writing was invented very early. Paper is (c) — more modern invention. For long in history, (d) — exchanged ideas through speaking and listening. Then (e) — came the art of writing. But to record thoughts in writing was difficult.

**Part B : Unseen (25 Marks)**

Read the following text and answer questions 4 and 5.

Socrates was a great philosopher. He was a great teacher too. He lived in Athens in Greece. About 2300 years have passed since he died. This great man, the wisest philosopher and teacher of his time, however, did not die a natural death. He was killed by the rulers of Athens. Socrates was born in 470 BC in Athens. It was the home of Sculpture. Probably his father was a Sculptor. He helped his father in his work. He wanted to spread knowledge among the people. To educate people was his mission of life. He would often go out in the street of Athens. He would often stop the passers-by and ask them simple questions. If their answers were wrong, he would correct them.

Socrates soon became very popular with the young people who learnt from him. But some men in the authority became jealous of his popularity. They brought two charges against him. One was that he was educating the traitors. The other was that he was corrupting the young men of Athens. Finally, he was killed by drinking a cup of Hemlock.

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4. Complete the table below. Write not more than three words and /or numbers for each answer. 1x5=5

Who/What	Event/Activity	When
Socrates	was born	(i) .....
(ii) .....	full of sculpture	
(iii) .....	the mission of Socrates	
The cause of jealousy	(iv) .....	
Socrates' death	(v) .....	



5. Read the passage again and write, whether the statements are true or false. Give correct answer, if the statement is false. 1×5=5
- Socrates was not only a philosopher but also a teacher.
  - His father was a philosopher.
  - The people of authority brought two charges against him.
  - Socrates would teach the people by asking questions and giving answers.
  - He died a natural death.

6. Read the text below and fill in the gaps using the clues given in the boxes. There are more words than necessary. One word can be used once only. .5×10=5

all	man	should	aware	the	above
man	work	he	to	of	inferior

Man's dignity depends upon his works. (a) — is a rational being on earth. (b) — is to work for others. He (c) — not be proud if he is (d) — blue blood. He should be ready (e) — help any class of people. The (f) — whom he is helping, may be (g) — to him by birth. But after (h) — he is a man. He has (i) — same blood and flesh as the (j) — mentioned man. So, he should sacrifice his own life for others' welfare.

7. Read the text below and fill in the gaps using suitable words to make it a meaningful text. 1×5=5

The Internet is very useful for students. At (a) — the Internet is the most powerful communication (b) — or device. For personal, academic, business and (c) — communication the Internet is the strongest mode (d) — communication. It has made our communication faster, (e) — and cheaper.

8. Match the part of sentences from columns A and B to make five complete sentences. 1×5=5

Column A	Column B
(a) Newspaper reading is	(i) us some helpful suggestions on how to study different subjects
(b) They can collect	(ii) very important for students
(c) The newspaper also gives	(iii) them and prepare themselves for examinations
(d) So, students read	(iv) their reading habit
(e) It develops	(v) different educational materials from it

#### Part C : Grammar (25 Marks)

9. Read the text below and fill in the gaps with the root words in the brackets adding suitable suffix, prefix or both. .5×10=5

Trees are very (a) — (use) to us. They help us in (b) — (vary) ways. They maintain (c) — (ecology) balance. Life becomes (d) — (possible) without trees. But trees are being cut down at (e) — (rān) in order to get quick (f) — (fit). Global warming is increasing because of (g) — (forest). By (h) — (plant) more trees, we can save our environment. If we cut trees (i) — (discriminate), there will be ecological (j) — (balance). So, tree plantation programme should be extended for a better life.

10. Fill in the gaps in the following text with appropriate articles (a, an or the). Put a cross (x) where no article is used. .5×10=5

It was a dark night. A blind man was walking along (a) — road. He held (b) — lamp in his hand. Two men laughed at him. One of them said, "What is (c) — use of a lamp to (d) — blind man?" The other called the blind man (e) — fool. (f) — blind man heard this and took it to (g) — heart. He said, (h) — lamp is not for me, it is for those (i) — people who are careless. They'll not see me in (j) — darkness. The lamp will show them the path."

11. Change the following sentences as directed in the brackets. 1×5=5

- No other thing is as useful as computer. (Superlative)
- Every student needs computer. (Negative)
- A poor student cannot buy it. (Interrogative)
- It is one of the greatest inventions of science. (Positive)
- We should make the proper use of computer. (Passive)

12. Rewrite the following passage changing the form of speech. 5

"Why don't you attend the class?" the teacher said to the boy. "You can't expect good results unless you attend classes as I tell you." "I am sorry sir. I have offended you," said the boy. "Thank you," said the teacher.

13. Use capital letters and punctuation marks as needed in the following passage. .5×10=5

my friend said to me why are you sitting alone in your room don't you see the rains stopped and the sky is clear lets go for a walk in the open field i said angrily leave me alone.

#### Part D : Writing (30 Marks)

14. Suppose, you are Monir/Monira, one of your friends is Sakib/Sakiba. Make a dialogue between you and your friend about preparation for JSC examination. 10

15. Imagine, one of your friends wants to know about the annual sports day of your school. Now, write an email to your friend describing the annual sports day of your school in 170 words. You may send the email to [rama2019@gmail.com](mailto:rama2019@gmail.com). In your email you should— 10

- Write a subject line.
- Use proper salutation/greetings.
- Give a short description of the day.
- Write a closing remark.
- Write your name.