

Special Use of Phrases & Words

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PHRASES / WORDS

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What if	Used to ask about the possible result or consequence of a situation, especially one that may happen or is imagined. It often expresses concern, doubt, or possibility . (যদি... হয় তাহলে কী হবে? / যদি এমন হয়?) What if it rains tomorrow? What if you miss the train?
What's it like	Used to ask about the nature, quality, or characteristics of someone or something. (কেমন?/ কেমন লাগে?) What's it like driving a car for the first time? What's it like speaking in front of a large audience?
What does ... look like	Used to ask about someone's or something's appearance. (দেখতে কেমন?) What does your brother look like? What does the new building look like?
Would you mind...	A polite way of making a request or asking permission. (আপনার আপত্তি আছে কি?) Would you mind opening the window?
Would rather	Would prefer. (বরং) I would rather stay at home.
Would rather ... than ...	Prefer one thing or action to another. I would rather die than study.
Had better	Should; used for giving strong advice or warning. (ভালো হয় যদি / উচিত) You had better finish your homework.
Have to / Has to	Expresses necessity or obligation. (করতে হয় / করতে হবে) She has to wear a school uniform.
Had to	Past form of have to; indicates past necessity. (করতে হয়েছিল) They had to cancel the match.
Used to	Expresses a past habit or past state that no longer exists. (আগে অভ্যাস ছিল / একসময় ছিল) I used to play football every afternoon.
Need	Expresses necessity or requirement. (প্রয়োজন হওয়া / দরকার) We need your help.
Let alone	Much less; not to mention. (তো দূরের কথা / ছেড়েই দাও) She can't afford a car, let alone a house.
As well as	In addition to; and also. (এছাড়াও / পাশাপাশি) She speaks English as well as French.
As long as	So long as; provided that; during the time that. (যতক্ষণ) I'll help you as long as you are honest.
As soon as	Immediately after. (যেই... অমনি / যত তাড়াতাড়ি) As soon as the bell rang, the students left.
No sooner ... than	Immediately after one event, another happened. (না হতেই) No sooner had I reached home than it started raining.
Scarcely ... when	Barely had one event happened when another occurred. (কষ্টে/সবেমাত্র... তখনই) Scarcely had we entered the room when the lights went out.
Hardly ... when / before	Almost not; one event happened immediately before another. (সবেমাত্র... তখনই) Hardly had they gone out before it started raining.

If	Expresses a condition. (যদি) If I have time, I will visit you.
In case	As a precaution; because something might happen. (যদি এমন হয় / সাবধানতার জন্য) Take an umbrella in case it rains.
Provided	If; on condition that. (যদি)
Provided that	Only if; on the condition that. (শর্ত এই যে / যদি) The plan will work provided that everyone cooperates.
Unless	If not. (যদি না) You won't pass unless you study.
Till	Up to a particular time. (পর্যন্ত / যতক্ষণ না) Wait here till I return.
Until	Up to a certain time. (পর্যন্ত / যতক্ষণ না) Stay here until the meeting is over.
Lest	So that not; for fear that. (পাছে) Walk carefully lest you should fall.
As if / As though	In a way that seems to be; as though. (যেন) He talks as if he knew everything.
Wish / Fancy	Wish: express a desire. Fancy: imagine or like. (ইচ্ছা করা / কল্পনা করা) I wish I could fly.
Be born	To come into the world; take birth. (জন্মগ্রহণ করা) Kazi Nazrul Islam was born in 1899.
There	Used as a dummy subject to show existence (e.g., <i>There is a book on the table.</i>). (আছে / সেখানে) There were many people at the meeting.
It	Used as a pronoun or a dummy subject for time, weather, distance, etc. (এটি / এটা; আনুষ্ঠানিক কর্তা) It is raining heavily. It is five kilometers from here to the station.

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SPECIAL USE OF PHRASES / WORDS [Practice]

1. Fill in the blanks with suitable phrase/words given in the box

let alone	what's it like	had I better	there	have to
as if	it	would rather	as soon as	what does ---- look like

- a) He _____ starve than adopt the path of dishonesty. He leads a very honest life.
 b) He can't perform a small task well, _____ a difficult work. We should not rely on him.
 c) _____ a clown _____? You have seen a clown in the circus many a time.
 d) _____ riding a horse? It seems you are very happy to ride a horse.
 e) He uses my bicycle _____ it were his.
 f) _____ appears that he does not like us. I think we should go away.
 g) In Japan shop assistants in a super mall _____ wear uniform. Is it the same in Bangladesh?
 h) Is _____ a bathroom upstairs? I have to have a bath.
 i) The game was postponed due to rain. But it restarted _____ the rain stopped.
 j) I should inform him of the matter. Shall I phone through or _____ write to him?

2. Fill in the blanks with suitable phrase/words given in the box

let alone	what's it like	had better	there	have to
as if	was born	would rather	as soon as	what does ---- look like

- a) They _____ construct the bridge. It may break any time. Villagers have to suffer a lot.
 b) The boy began to swim in the river _____ it rained.
 c) Mr. Rishad is very helpful, polite and dutiful. He _____ in 1989 in Dhaka.
 d) He spoke strangely _____ he were an actor and singer.
 e) _____ lived a king in China. He was kind and co-operate.
 f) He cannot procure money _____ get a visa.
 g) The man _____ flee away. He will not surrender to the police.
 h) You _____ take medicine. You may become ill. You do not seem to be healthy.
 i) _____ reading a story book? I like a reading an interesting story. I always read it.
 j) Rima: _____ her dress _____? Mahia: I do not know. I am busy.

3. Fill in the blanks with suitable phrase/words given in the box

let alone	what's it like	had better	there	have to
it	was born	would rather	what if	what does ---- look like

- a. _____ is a cloudy day and seems that rain will fall soon.
 b. _____ his new pencil _____?
 c. I do not have 10 thousand taka _____ 1 lakh.
 d. Many of our people do not like to speak in English. I _____ speak in English.
 e. _____ is no fish in the pond as the flood has inundated it recently.
 f. _____ any good news for him comes today?
 g. We do not _____ do it for the sake of the country particularly for the poor.
 h. You _____ sell the village home considering the future of your children.
 i. Hazrat Muhammad(sm) _____ in Makah in 570 AD.
 j. _____ living in crowded city? You seem to be unhappy living in a crowded city.

4. Fill in the blanks with suitable phrase/words given in the box

would you mind	let alone	need not	have to	there
as long as	what if	used to	in case	wishes

- (a) He is a very weak student. He can't get GPA-3, _____ GPA 5.
 (b) Tomal did not take dinner. Now he is hungry. He _____ he had taken dinner.
 (c) You are now sick. Call me _____ you need help.
 (d) Illiteracy is a great problem in our country. _____ is no easy solution to this problem.
 (e) A: _____ making a cup of tea? B: Why not I'd love that.
 (f) She is one of my intimate friends. I will continue this friendship _____ I can.
 (g) He looks fresh. He _____ any rest.

- (h) You are now quite well. You don't _____ take medicine any more.
 (i) A: The journey will be more than four hours.
 B: _____ we feel hungry?
 (j) She _____ work in a ship. Now she works in a bank.

5. Fill in the blanks with suitable phrase/words given in the box

as well as	have to	it is high time	there	in case
was born	what's __ like	until	lest	unfortunately

- (a) I knew _____ would not be any examination. So, I did not study seriously.
 (b) Floods, cyclones _____ tornadoes visit Bangladesh every year. They cause a great damage to our economy.
 (c) The bridge grew old. The villagers repaired it _____ it might break down.
 (d) We want to celebrate together. So, please wait _____ I entered the kitchen while she was cooking some delicious food.
 (e) Hazrat All (R) _____ on 20 September 601 AD in Makkah. He was the cousin and son in-law of the Prophet of Islam.
 (f) It is raining outside. You _____ carry an umbrella.
 (g) Bangladesh batted very well against India, but _____ lost the match in the last over.
 (h) We must learn English because it is an international language. _____ we adopted proper steps for learning English.
 (i) It's not cold now, but take your coat with you _____ it gets cold later. It will keep you warm.
 (j) A: _____ your father _____ ?
 B: He is very honest and hard working person.

6. Fill in the blanks with suitable phrase/words given in the box

wishes	has to	would rather	let alone	in case
there	used to	what's __ like	as long as	need not

- (a) A: _____ your reading room _____ ?
 B: It is very small, but I keep it neat and clean.
 (b) You are now very busy arranging the programme. Call me _____ you need my assistance.
 (c) He went to the field for playing. Now it is raining heavily. He _____ he hadn't gone to the field.
 (d) _____ stood a mango tree in front of my study room. But it was uprooted storm last year.
 (e) The man is very homesick. He did not go to his hometown, _____ the capital city.
 (f) He _____ watch a lot of TV. Now he doesn't watch much TV.
 (g) The man is well. He _____ go to a doctor.
 (h) Man is a social being. He _____ live with others in the society.
 (i) The man has dignity and self-respect. He _____ starve than beg for food.
 (j) In the examination, she wrote her answers _____ she could answer all the questions.

7. Fill in the blanks with suitable phrase/words given in the box

as if	as well as	had better	lest	there
it is high time	had to	what does __ look like	would rather	scarcely had

- (a) _____ they reached the airport when the plane took off. They started late from their residence.
 (b) The land was unfertile. The farmer _____ manure it.
 (c) Pulok knows a little about computer, but he speaks _____ he knew everything about it.
 (d) A: _____ the moon _____ ?
 B: It looks like a plate.
 (e) We are losing our valuable work hours as a result of traffic jam. _____ we solved this problem.
 (f) The colour of the house faded. They painted it _____ it might look ugly.
 (g) He is very conscious of his health. He _____ eat a balanced diet than costly items.
 (h) _____ is a proverb that where there is a will, there is a way. It means success in our life depends on our determination and will power.
 (i) Rabindranath is my favourite author. I have read many of his poems, short stories _____ novels.
 (j) I like spicy food. My lunch _____ be spicy.

8. Fill in the blanks with suitable phrase/words given in the box

let alone	what's ___ like	as long as	have to	used to
would you mind	in case	there	need not	wish

- (a) I entered the classroom. Everyone in the room stared at me _____ they could.
- (b) A: _____ making a call for me?
B: No problem. Just tell me the number.
- (c) There are many people who do not get proper treatment for want of money. I _____ I were a doctor.
- (d) He cannot cross a small pond, _____ a river. Actually, he can't swim well.
- (e) The teacher owns a rich library. He _____ buy any more book.
- (f) Swimming is a good exercise. When I was young, I _____ swim.
- (g) A: _____ the road to Rangamati _____?
B: It's good but it has some dangerous turns.
- (h) Impure water is harmful for health. We _____ drink pure water always.
- (i) You are now going on a tour. Keep a first-aid kit with you _____ you cut yourself.
- (j) _____ should be a solution to this problem. We should try to solve this problem as soon as possible.

9. Fill in the blanks with suitable phrase/words given in the box

was born	have to	had better	What does... look like	There
What's it like	as if	It	what if	let alone

- a) We _____ go now because the rain has come to a stop.
- b) Alexander the Great, the celebrated conqueror of the ancient world, _____ in 356 BC in Pella, the capital city of Macedonia.
- c) Gary was behaving _____ nothing had happened.
- d) Everybody fears him. _____ I don't care him?
- e) _____ will be ten skyscrapers in a row in the place.
- f) He cannot read Bangla, _____ speak English. He is unlettered.
- g) Have you received your ID card? _____ casting vote in the election?
- h) We _____ sell the land to defray the educational expenses of our children.
- i) _____ their new generation _____? It's small.
- j) _____ is the tenth of December.

10. Fill in the blanks with suitable phrase/words given in the box

let alone	was born	What's it like	would rather	had better
as if	have to	There	What does... look like	It

- a) He talked to them _____ they were children
- b) Augustus Caesar, the founder of Roman Empire and one of the great figures in the world history of wars, _____ in 63BC.
- c) _____ was a king in Chittagong Hill Tracts, who was a Buddhist.
- d) Many people do not like to go by train. But I _____ go by train.
- e) _____ is proper time of ebb tide and that is why we will be able to cross the river without boat.
- f) He was incapable of leading a bowling team _____ a country.
- g) There is not housemaid in their house. So she _____ cook rice.
- h) _____ wearing a new shirt? You seem to feel comfortable with the new shirt.
- i) _____ he look in a new suit _____?
- j) I _____ meet him today as I don't know when he goes abroad.

11. Fill in the blanks with suitable phrase/words given in the box

was born	have to	it	as if	had better
There	What if	what's like	as soon as	let alone

- a) Many people were picketing the road. _____ they saw the police, they ran away quickly.
- b) Steam engine inventor James Watt _____ in 1736 in Scotland.
- c) _____ is a Supreme court Justice from our village, of whom live feel proud.
- d) _____ the smugglers manage to dodge the law enforcers on the indo-Bangla border?
- e) He cannot walk a mile, _____ ten miles. He is physically weak. He should try to recover his health.

- f) I _____ do hard work regularly to hold the first position in the class.
 g) You _____ stay at home because there is a strong wind on the outside.
 h) _____ in living? Poverty you should try to alleviate this social curse.
 i) His auspicious dress compelled us to think _____ he were a clown.
 j) _____ is proper time of full tide and that is why we will not be able to cross the river without board.

12. Fill in the blanks with suitable phrase/words given in the box

as if	was born	What if	would rather	It
There	What does... look like	have to	has to	as soon as

- a) Shakespeare reportedly _____ in England.
 b) _____ they miss the deadline of the application submission?
 c) I _____ help my father in farming because he alone cannot look after all the activities in this regard.
 d) I _____ live in the north than the south, because I like snow.
 e) He pretended _____ he were a billionaire of the city and has been playing a vital role in the country's economy.
 f) The children will start playing _____ the rain stops. They are always found of playing.
 g) _____ are many hurdles on the way of implementing the charitable task.
 h) _____ seems that we are not welcome to their house.
 i) _____ his first novel _____?
 j) He _____ take the bitter medicine daily as per suggestion of the physicians for a quick recovery.

13. Fill in the blanks with suitable phrase/words given in the box

had better	as soon as	it	has to	would rather
was born	as if	what's it like	let alone	what does... look like

- a) _____ is easy for him to do the work. But he has to work very hard if he wants to prosper in life.
 b) Imran _____ return home. Everybody is waiting for him.
 c) You _____ return to your native village. You will be able to enjoy your life as you like.
 d) Shamim: _____ the elephant _____?
 Sabrina: Brother, It is very tall and fat.
 e) He has no money to travel to our country, _____ go to India
 f) _____ living in India. You seem to feel comfortable in India.
 g) The chairman speaks _____ he were honest, but in fact, he was a cheat.
 h) We began to play football _____ the chief guest came.
 i) You _____ return to you ailing mother. She has become very upset.
 j) The girl leads a poor life in her father's house. Her father has no capacity to educate her. She _____ into an uncultured family.

14. Fill in the blanks with suitable phrase/words given in the box

as if	have to	would rather	as soon as	what's it like
it	was born	let alone	had better	what does... look like

- (a) The setting sun looks so nice. It is _____ it were a golden plate.
 (b) Man is mortal. He _____ die.
 (c) Dilu is honest. He _____ starve than steal.
 (d) The train will leave on time. We will start for Dhaka _____ you come.
 (e) _____ enjoying poetry?
 (f) The place is risky. _____ is impossible for me to go there.
 (g) Wordsworth is a poet of nature. He _____ in England.
 (h) An illiterate man can't do many things. He can't think of himself, _____ of the country.
 (i) Your mouth emits bad smell. You _____ brush teeth every night.
 (j) We can't see souls. They are formless. _____ they _____?

15. Fill in the blanks with suitable phrase/words given in the box

as soon as	it	there	as if	let alone
what's it like	would rather	had better	was born	have to

- (a) The rules of our college are very strict. _____ the bells ring, the students have attended the class.

- (b) We suspected, _____ was Akram who took away money from the box.
- (c) _____ was a king named Solomon. He was powerful and intelligent.
- (d) His income is very limited. He could not buy a motorbike _____ a luxury car.
- (e) _____ living in English style? You seem to be happy with your life in London.
- (f) Mr. Habib is very honest. He _____ resign the post than earn money in a dishonest way.
- (g) Lost time never comes back in life. So, you _____ not to waste time in unprofitable work.
- (h) Kazi Nazrul Islam is a rebel poet. He _____ in West Bengal.
- (i) Paradise lies under parents' foot. So, we all _____ obey our parents.
- (j) His auspicious dress compelled us to think _____ he were a clown.

16. Fill in the blanks with suitable phrase/words given in the box

as soon as	what's it like	as if	have to	Had better
let alone	there	it	was born	what does look like

- (a) The police came quickly. The thief ran away _____ he saw the police coming.
- (b) Dina : I've an experience in Paris.
Bina : I want to know life in Paris. _____ living in French style? You seem too happy with your life in France.
- (c) I lost my brother in tender age. So, Salam behaves with me _____ he were my own brother.
- (d) You _____ start for Dhaka at 3 pm.
- (e) I requested Asif to give me 1000 taka as loan. He told that he could not lend me 500 taka _____ 1000/-.
- (f) _____ was a king in India named Akber. He was very powerful.
- (g) You told many things but failed to do. _____ is easy to say but difficult to do.
- (h) Mao Setung was a communist leader. He _____ in china.
- (i) Many people believe in ghosts. In practical, _____ in seeing a guest?
- (j) Great people worked hard to succeed in life. So, we _____ work hard if we want to be successful in life.

17. Fill in the blanks with suitable phrase/words given in the box

let alone	it	had better	What's it like	What if
there	as if	what does ... look like	was born	have to

- (a) The law enforcers _____ put on uniform during the midnight drives so that the commoners should not regard them as robbers mistakenly.
- (b) Inventions in the information technology are flooding across the country. So the students _____ be acquainted with those.
- (c) _____ singing a song? Music is a soothing balm to a sorrow-stricken heart.
- (d) I cannot remember his face, _____ his while body. I saw him many years ago.
- (e) He is illiterate. But he behaves _____ he obtained higher degree.
- (f) _____ I miss the Chittagong-bound train?
- (g) American entrepreneur, marketer, and inventor, the co-founder and CEO of Apple Inc Steve Paul Jobs _____ on February 24, 1955, who was widely recognized as a charismatic and design-driven pioneer of the personal computer revolution through Apple.
- (h) _____ takes plan a quarrel among them.
- (i) _____ is time for Messy to score against Brazil to lift the team to the final.
- (j) _____ the restaurant _____?

18. Fill in the blanks with suitable phrase/words given in the box

There	as soon as	had better	it	What's it like
What if	have to	what does ... look like	was born	let alone

- (a) Will you meet me tomorrow? Yes, I'll come _____ I've finished my homework.
- (b) _____ the court declare them bankruptcy?
- (c) _____ going to Cox's Bazar? Cox's Bazar is the longest sea-beach in the world.
- (d) _____ seem to be something wrong in the agreement.
- (e) Every student _____ have a wrist watch especially during their examination hours.
- (f) He cannot solve simple problem, _____ a difficult one.
- (g) _____ his wallet _____?
- (h) The USA's 44th President Barrack Hussein Obama _____ in Honolulu, Hawaii, on August 4, 1961.
- (i) Karim: Why are you in a hurry? Rahim: I _____ attend a seminar on the Bailey road.
- (j) _____ is time for them to discuss the problems prevailing among them for long.

19. Fill in the blanks with suitable phrase/words given in the box

what's it like	What does ____ look like	would rather	as if	was born
as soon as	let alone	had better	there	have to

- a) This boy _____, blind. Doctors opined that he would not recover. Since his birth, the boy has been one-eyed.
- b) If you don't want to miss the bus, start _____ possible. Otherwise you will have to wait 2 hours for the next bus.
- c) This poor student cannot manage even his textbooks, _____ a bicycle. He walks to school which is 5 miles away.
- d) Our society is full of bad persons. We _____ remain aware of them.
- e) Our village is a famous one. _____ are many highly educated and very rich persons in our village.
- f) Son: Father, _____ a dolphin _____?
Father: Sony. I have no idea.
- g) _____ going on a long drive? I had never such occasion in my life.
- h) He behaves _____ he were a king. He always pretends to be important.
- i) I _____ support my father than my uncle. I believe that my father is more honest and just than my uncle.
- j) You _____ bring your camera. We could take photo of every incident.

20. Fill in the blanks with suitable phrase/words given in the box

as soon as	What does look life	it	what if	what's it like
had better	was born	let alone	have to	would rather

- a. Deforestation is a matter of great concern. We _____ take immediate steps to stop cutting down trees a random.
- b. To tell a lie is a great sin. We _____ die than tell a lie. Otherwise none will respect us.
- c. Helmet should be used while driving a motorcycle. _____ you were driving your bike and met a serious accident?
- d. _____ swimming in the sea? It seems to be very heroic to me.
- e. _____ mother heard the news, she cried loudly. She lost her child in a car accident.
- f. Rome was not built in a day. _____ took a long time and hard labour to build this city.
- g. Rahim is a poor man. He cannot afford a piece of land _____ a flat.
- h. Thomas Alva Edison was a great scientist. He _____ in the USA in 1847.
- i. His shirt looks dirty. It's old enough. He _____ buy a new shirt.
- j. Rahim: Hi, Karim. _____ an albatross _____?
Karim: It's big sea bird. It looks like an eagle.

21. Fill in the blanks with suitable phrase/words given in the box

as though	would rather	had better	it	let alone
was born	as soon as	what.... look like	there	had to

- a) We _____ hire a rickshaw. It is already too late. We have to reach the exam hall in time.
- b) I cannot remember the name of the story, _____ the details about the different characters read the story many years ago.
- c) Nobody likes Karim at all. He talks _____ he knew everything in the world.
- d) A great man like him _____ in to such a family in 1980.
- e) _____ does a leopard _____? I think it looks like ferocious.
- f) The match restarted _____ the third umpire declared the decision.
- g) It was a terrible ship _____ was no crew in that ship of death.
- h) In ancient time people _____ fight against dangerous wild animals.
- i) During rainy season _____ rains heavily without any gap.
- j) We _____ sleep than watch such boring film.

22. Fill in the blanks with suitable phrase/words given in the box

as well as	would rather	had better	used to	had to
what if	was born	let alone	as if	lest

- a) We are a developing nation. We should make the best use of our resources _____ we might lag behind.

- b) I called you several times but could not get you. I felt _____ you had given me wrong cell phone number.
- c) He is a diabetic patient. He _____ eat more vegetables than carbohydrate.
- d) I spend my leisure by doing different activities. Gardening _____ stamps collecting is my favourite hobby.
- e) There _____ be houses around here long time.
- f) You look ill. You _____ not go to work.
- g) The canal dried up. They _____ dig it.
- h) His father gets a poor salary. He cannot afford to send his children to an ordinary school _____ an expensive school.
- i) A: _____ I can't attend the meeting?
B: I'll manage it.
- j) Shamsur Rahman, a poet deeply rooted in his own tradition, _____ on 24th October 1929 in Dhaka.

23. Fill in the blanks with suitable phrase/words given in the box

what if	would rather	there	it.... changed	was born
has to	as soon as	as if	let alone	had better

- a) Corruption is a great sin. I _____ die than become corrupt.
- b) Some rules and regulations should be learnt to be a driver. _____ you got yourself admitted into a driving course?
- c) You look very upset. You _____ go to office today.
- d) _____ the chief guest came, the audience kept silent. The chief guest delivered his speech with a smiling face.
- e) Father seems to be very annoyed. He looks _____ he lost something important.
- f) The boy looks very weak. He cannot walk well _____ carry this heavy load.
- g) In the villages of our country a girl who is matured usually _____ wear well. Is it the same in the cities?
- h) Taimur was a great ruler. He _____ in Uzbekistan in 1320.
- i) Change is the nature of life. So, everything changes in course of time. _____ is high time we _____ our old ideas.
- j) Long ago _____ lived a king in Persia. He was very pious as well as kind hearted.

24. Fill in the blanks with suitable phrase/words given in the box

would rather	there	Wheat does.... look like	have to	had better
as soon as	let alone	it	was born	as if

- a) He is lazy man. He does not work an hour _____ five hours.
- b) You _____ follow the rules of health in order to live well. You should remember that health is wealth.
- c) I _____ be poor than be dishonest. Honesty is the best policy.
- d) The man pretended _____ he had known everything. A little learning is a dangerous thing.
- e) _____ is time for us to work together. Either we stand or fall together.
- f) Formerly _____ were a few tea stalls in this country. Now, it is available almost everywhere.
- g) John Keats, an English poet, _____ in 1795. Early in life, he tried to qualify himself as a surgeon, but abandoned surgery owing to his passion for literature.
- h) You _____ stop taking drug. This may affect your kidney.
- i) _____ I reached the station, the train started. I could not avail myself for the train.
- j) Boarder: _____ the food _____ in your hotel?
Waiter: It is quite good.

25. Fill in the blanks with suitable phrase/words given in the box

let alone	would you mind	in case	wishes	need not
as long as	there	has to	what if	used to

- a) There is a charitable dispensary in our village. No one _____ pay for the service.
- b) There _____ be houses around here long time.
- c) A: I have my drawing class tomorrow
B: _____ you forget to bring the colour pencils?
- d) The teacher speaks very slowly. His voice does not reach fifty students, _____ hundred.

- e) He has gone to Chittagong. He has left his car with his neighbor _____ somebody needs to move his car.
- f) His father is very sick. _____ is no hope of his recovery.
- g) He has many shirts. He _____ buy any shirt.
- h) Sami swam in the lake. Now he has caught cold. He _____ he had not swum in the lake.
- i) A: _____ holding my bag for a moment?
B: Oh! Sure! No problem!
- j) He is amiable in nature. He will tolerate your insult in silent _____ he can, but will not make any reply.

26. Fill in the blanks with suitable phrase/words given in the box

had better	let alone	in case	what's like	would you mind
would rather	what if	as if	have to	as fast as

- (a) Bribery is a great sin. We _____ starve than take bribe.
- (b) He wrote first three answers very elaborately. To finish the rest in time he wrote _____ he could but failed.
- (c) You are going to a new place. Take a map with you _____ you get lost.
- (d) A : You look very tired.
B : Yes, I'm. _____ bringing a glass of water for me?
- (e) You failed in the examination last year. You _____ study hard.
- (f) A : We have a plan to play outdoor games this afternoon.
B : _____ it rains?
- (g) He is very miserly. He doesn't help his neighbors _____ the villagers.
- (h) My friend is coming to Khulna first time. I _____ go to the station to receive him.
- (i) A : _____ your new office _____ ?
B : I like it. The environment is calm and quiet.
- (j) I called you several times but could not get you. I felt _____ you had given me wrong cell phone number.

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