

Gurudayal Govt. College, Kishoreganj

Half Yearly Exam-2018 (Model Question)

Class: XI

Subject: English 1st & 2nd Paper

Time: 3 hours

Full marks:100

Part-A: English 1st Paper (60 marks)

1. Read the passage below and answer the questions A and B.

When you are in the driving seat of a car, you have the steering and the horn in your hands, the brake and accelerator under your feet, eyes open looking ahead, left and right. The same can be said about a motorcycle rider, with some modifications. These are all very visible. But, behind all, there is something that keeps working unseen. CPUs are artificially intelligent machines that are programmed to do specific jobs under fixed conditions and judgments. But the human brain is intelligent by nature. It is the most sophisticated machine that is able to operate on ever -changing conditions and standards of judgment. As conditions in the traffic keep invariably changing, this virtue of sophistication of your brain must be at work when you are driving .The difference between traffic in the roads and highways and racing circuit must not be blurring inside you . Never imagine yourself to be a Michael Schumacher driving an F-1 at 300 mph. Leave no room for fantasy .You must always be ready to encounter unexpected behavior from any vehicle or pedestrian ‘Keep your cool ‘ is easy to advice but difficult to maintain . Still you must always restrain yourself because at the end of the day, you don't want to be regarded as a killer . Now you see the last thing that differentiates you from a computer is your conscience.

A. Choose the correct answer from the alternatives.

1 × 5 = 5

- a) Steering is used forthe car .
i) Speeding ii) stopping iii) directing iv) slowing
- b) The function of an accelerator is to
i) increase speed ii) decrease speed iii) control a car iv) stop a car
- c) The word ‘visible’ is associated with
i) hand ii) nose iii) ear iv) eye
- d) The word ‘sophisticated’ means.....
i) simple ii) old iii) refined iv) modern
- e) In the passage human brain is compared to
i) CPU ii) motor bike iii) traffic lights iv) car

B. Answer the following questions.

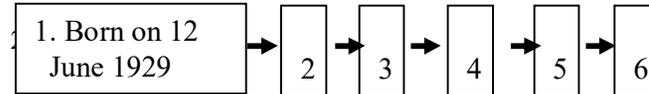
2 × 5 = 10

- a) How is human brain different from other organs?
b) What is the difference between a computer and the human brain?
c) What is a CPU ? What are its functions ?
d) What are the main challenges a driver usually faces ?
e) According to the passage what is difficult to maintain ?

2. Read the following text and make a flow chart showing Anne Frank's conditions from her birth to death. (One is done for you)

2 × 5 = 10

Anne Frank is perhaps the most well-known victim of the Nazi Holocaust of world war II. Anne , born on 12 June , 1929 was given a diary at the age of 13, in which she chronicled her life from 1942 to 1944. During this time , Anne spent two years in hiding with her family in Nazi-occupied Amsterdam in a secret annex with four other Jews . Betrayed and discovered in 1944, Anne was sent to the Bergen Belsen concentration camp, where she died of typhus in 1945. Anne's father Otto Frank was the only occupant of the secret, annex to survive the war. In 1947, he published Anne's diary as the Diary of a Young Girl. Anne's account of her internment , as well as her deep belief in humanity has become one of the world's most widely read books.



3. Write a summary of the following text.

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Every one has the right to a standard of living adequate for the health and well being of oneself and of one's family including food, clothing, housing and medical care and necessary social services and the right to security in the event of unemployment. Sickness, disability widowhood old age or other lack of livelihood in circumstances beyond one's control. Motherhood and childhood are entitled to special care and assistance. All children, whether born in or out of wedlock, shall enjoy the same social protection.

I think my country have been able/not been able to comply with this because.....Everyone has the right to education. Education shall be free, at least in the elementary and fundamental stage. Elementary education shall be compulsory. Technical and professional education shall be made generally available and higher education shall be equally accessible to all on the basis of merit.

Education shall be directed to the strengthening of respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms .It shall promote understanding , tolerance and friendship among all nations racial or religion groups , and shall further the activities of the United Nations for the maintenance of peace. Parents have prior right to choose the kind of education that shall be given to their children .

4. Fill in the gaps with suitable words.

1 × 10 = 10

Hospitality has long (a)a part of our (b)in Bangladesh. (c)many other things are changing now , people are still (d)polite and friendly towards foreigners. They like (e)to foreigners even if they have not been (f)It is common for Bangladeshis to ask (g).....questions about family, jobs and (h)which visitors from overseas might find (i)..... However, it should be understood that no harm is meant by such (j)

5. The following is the beginning of a story . Complete it in your own words :

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It was a hot summer day . There was scorching heat of the sun . On that day a crow became very thirsty. It wanted to drink but there was no water around it. So, it began to

6. Write down the theme of the following poem (Not more than 50 words) .

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Blow, blow, thou winter wind,

Thou art not so unkind
 As man's ingratitude;
 Thy tooth is not so keen ,
 Because thou art not seen ,
 Although thy breath be rude .
 Heigh-ho ! sing heigh - ho ! unto the green holly;
 Most friendship is feigning, most loving mere folly:
 Then heigh -ho ,the holly!
 This life is most jolly.
 Freeze, freeze, thou bitter sky,
 That dost not bite so nigh
 As benefits forgot:
 Though thou the waters warp.
 Thy sting is not so sharp.
 As friend remembered not .
 Heigh -ho sing heigh -ho the green holly...

Part-B : English 2nd Paper (40 marks)

7. Fill in the blanks following text with articles as necessary . Some of the blanks may not require an article . Put a cross (x) in those blanks. 0.5×10 = 5

That night at about (a)midnight. I heard (b)..... knock at my door . It was so sudden (c).....knock that I was frightened . As I opened (d)door, I found that it was my cousin Kamal. He was (e).....MA, student of (f)Dhaka University. He told me that he had come on (g)urgent business. I let hem in and closed (h)door . Suddenly he burst into (i)tears and narrated how (j)Pak army had invaded university campus and massacred the innocent people.

8. Complete the sentences with suitable phrases/words given in the box. 0.5×10=5

has to	it	nevertheless	take after
as if	let alone		there
as soon as	had better		would rather

- Somal was a remote village cut off from the rest of the world (the nearest bus stop was ten miles away)the people of the village lived in a kind of perpetual enchantment.
- He is every young and strong . But he workshe were an old man . He should work fast.
- was not a single lamp in the house. we had to pass the night in darkness.
- was a chilly winter evening. A chilly wind was blowing from the north. So I dared not go out.
- Samira was very beautiful to look at. Everybody praised her. Actually she her mother.
- The 3rd ODI cricket match of 2014 between Bangladesh and India started the rain had stopped. it gave great relief to the spectators.
- The poor villagers cannot afford to manage one meal a day -- two square meals. it seems like a fairy tale.
- Everybody wishing to get a government job pass BCS examination. it is the yardstick of any government job.

i) I am shocked to hear of my friend's serious illness. I see him immediately. if necessary I should be by his bed in the hospital.

j) I starve than ask for anybody's help. because I think it is disgraceful.

9. Identify the unclear pronoun references in the following passage . Where necessary, rewrite the sentences so that all pronoun references are clear. 1×5 = 5

Balance is must in life. Where there is no balance, there is no stable development; Balance is needed in individual's lives as well as well as in collective life. That is needed in economic activities, social life and in political affairs. The man who leads a balanced way of life can enjoy peace of mind. Likewise the nation which sustains and maintains balance in all his indispensable affairs can truly prosper. If they see deep into the affairs and dictates of Islam, they can see Islam is a balanced way of life.

10. Read the following text and use modifiers as directed in the blank spaces. 0.5×10=5

Population explosion is a (a)..... (Pre-modify the noun with an adjective) threat to our environment and existence. Especially in Bangladesh, the population is growing at such a high rate that the environment may soon fail to supply the people with their (b).....(Pre-modify the noun) necessities. Unless we take (c).....(Pre-modify the noun with an adjective) steps to stop this rapid growth (d).....(Post-modify the noun with a prepositional Phrase), our environment will one day encounter an (e)..... (Pre-modify with an adjective) difficulty and danger. As a result, the inhabitants may experience destruction. With the growth of population, people need more accommodation, furniture, educational and (f).....(Pre-modify the noun) facilities and so forth. But a (g)..... (Pre-modify the noun with a participle) country like Bangladesh cannot supply the people with these necessities. Many people are deprived of (h).....(Pre-modify the noun phrase) educational and medical facilities. Many people are not getting jobs to earn (i)..... (Use a determiner to pre modify the noun) living. A lot of people are making their homes in the (J) (Pre-modify the noun) land.

11. Read the passage and write the synonym or antonym of the words as directed bellows: 0.5×10 = 5

Many of us criticize the world for many things. We curse and blame the things in our surroundings and never understand that we need a change in us. Changes are inevitable in the world, and the changes should start from us. We cannot or should not force others to make a change. Our single effort for the change will have enormous effect on the whole world if all are added together. Therefore, we should not bother about the amount of change brought about by us. Rather, we should carry on our effort and never give up under any circumstances. This small effort from every single person will stand as a great change in the end. Then the change will be visible to all. But, no one will understand the personal contribution to the change.

- (a) criticize (antonym) (b) blame (synonym) (c) inevitable (antonym) (d) force (synonym) (e) enormous (antonym) (f) bother (antonym) (g) Change (antonym) (h) circumstances (synonym) (i) Visible (antonym) (j) personal (synonym) .

12. Write a short composition on `Patriotism` . 15

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Time – 3 hours

Model Question for Annual Examination

Marks-100

Subject- English , Session- 2018-19

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

Paper- 1:

1. Read the text below and answer the questions A & B:

A vast mangrove forest shared by Bangladesh and India that is home to possibly 500 Bengal tigers is being rapidly destroyed by erosion, rising sea levels and storm surges, according to a major study by researchers at the Zoological Society of London and others. The Sundarban forest took the burnt of super cyclone Sidr in 2007, but new satellite studies show that 71% of the forested coastline is retreating by as much as 200 meters a year. If erosion continues at this pace, already threatened tiger population living in the forests will be put further at risk. Natalie Pettorelli, one of the report's authors, said "Coastline retreat is evident everywhere. A continuing rate of retreat would see these parts of the mangrove disappear within 50 years. On the Indian side of the Sundarban, the island which extends most into the Bay of Bengal has receded by an average of 150 meters a year, this would see the disappearance of the island in about 20 years. The Sundarban is known for vanishing islands but the scientists said the current retreat of the mangrove forests on the southern coastline is not normal. The causes for increasing coastline retreat, other than direct anthropogenic ones, include increased frequency of storm surges and other extreme natural events, rises in sea-levels and increased salinity which increase the vulnerability of mangroves. Degradation is happening fast, weakening this natural shield for India and Bangladesh.

A. Choose the **best answer from the options:**

5×1=5

- i) What is 'Sidr'? - a) a satellite b) a forest c) a cyclone d) an organization that studies the Sundarban.
- ii) What does the word 'Vast' mean? - a) Little b) Undersized c) Tiny d) Huge.
- iii) What does the word 'Salinity' mean? - a) having salt b) bitterness c) natural d) sweetness.
- iv) Sundarban is shared by _____ countries. - a) one b) two c) three d) seventy one.
- v) Which statement is right? - a) Sundarban is not a forest. b) Coastal retreat is invisible in Sundarban. c) Sundarban is the natural shield only for India. d) Sundarban works as the natural shield for both India and Bangladesh.

B. **Answer the following questions:**

5×2=10

- a) How many tigers are left in the mangrove forest? Why are they at risk in Sundarban?
- b) What will happen if we lose the Sundarban?
- c) What are the major causes behind the rapid coastline retreat in The Sundarban?
- d) What is the view and prediction of Natalie Pettorelli on Indian part of the Sundarban?
- e) When did 'Sidr' take place in the coastal area of Bangladesh?

2. Read the following passage and complete the table with perfect information: I was ten years old. My grandmother sat on the string bed, under the mango tree. It was late summer and there were sunflowers in the garden and a warm wind in the tree. My grandmother was knitting a woolen scarf for the winter months. She was very old, dressed in a plain white sari; her eyes were not very strong now, but fingers moved very quickly with needles, and the needles kept clicking all afternoon. Grandmother had white hair, but there were very few wrinkles on her skin. I had come home after playing cricket on the maidan. I had taken my meal, now I was rummaging in a box of old books and family heirlooms that had just that day been brought out of the attic by my mother. Nothing in the box interested me very much, except for a book with colourful pictures of birds and butterflies. I was going through the book, looking at the pictures when I found a small photograph between the pages. It was a faded picture, a little yellow and foggy; it was a picture of a girl standing against a wall and behind the wall there was nothing but sky; but from the other side a pair of hands reached up, as though someone was going to climb the wall. There were flowers growing near the girl, but couldn't tell what they were; there was a creeper too, but it was just a creeper. I ran into garden. "Granny!", I shouted. "Look at the picture! I found it in the box of old things. Whose picture is it?"

Complete the table with appropriate information:

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Who/what?	Event/activities	Time / when/ place
i)-----	was ten years old.	
The speaker	sat on the sting bed	ii) -----
The speaker	iii)-----	on the maidan.
iv) -----	was busy in knitting	for winter.
v)-----	was found by the speaker	in the box.
Someone	was going to climb the wall	vi)-----
The girl	was standing	vii)-----
Grandmother's fingers	viii) -----	ix)-----
x)-----	reached up	from the other side of the wall

3. Fill in the blanks with suitable words:

10 × .5=5

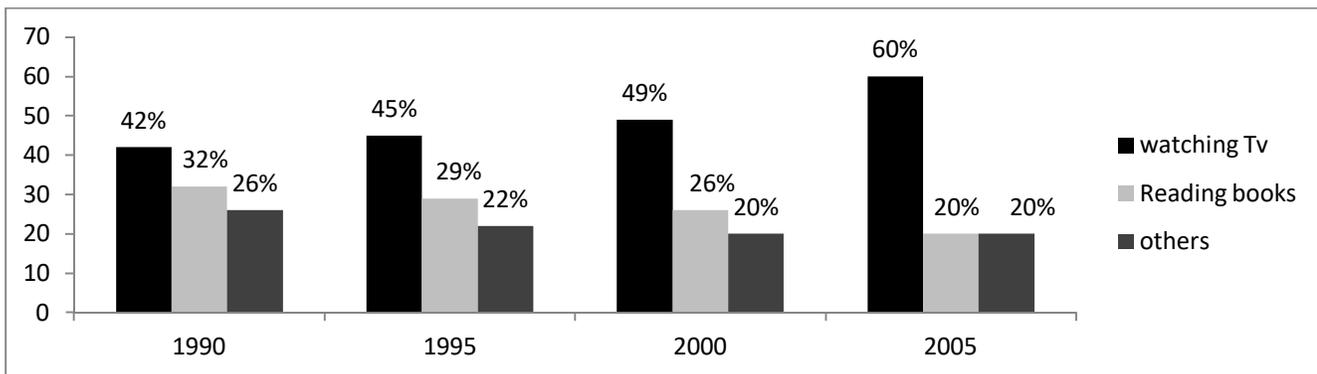
say	keep	road	Drive	Sophisticated
work	ability	Judgement	programme	work

When you are in the (a)_____ seat of a car, you have the steering in your hands, eyes open looking ahead. The same can be (b) _____ about a motorcycle rider. There are some things that keeps (c)_____ unseen. CPU in computers are specially (d)_____ to do specific job. But human brains is the most (e)_____ machine that is (f)_____ to operate on all conditions with perfect (g)_____. You have to (h)_____ your brain cool while driving . Your brain must (i)_____ properly when you are driving on (j)_____.

4. Look at the following graph and describe it in your own way:

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Elderly people's changing attitude to pastimes in a community



5. Write a paragraph on “Etiquette and Manners” within 150 words.

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Paper -2

6. Complete the text with suitable prepositions:

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Greenhouse effect is the gradual warming (a) _____ the air surrounding the earth. Heat is being trapped (b)_____ Carbon-di- Oxide in our environment. We are cutting (c) _____ trees in rain forests. Rapid growth of transports is also responsible (d)_____ this warming. We depend (e)_____ many scientific equipments which cause global warming. Many other factors are also connected (f)_____ this problem. Our next generation will suffer (g) _____ the bad impacts of it. If we cant find a good solution (h)_____ this problem, the earth will be unlivebale. So, we have to be more conscious (i)_____ this global crisis. Developed countries should come forward (j)_____ minimize the production of greenhouse gas.

7. Rewrite the passage in indirect narration:

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“Sumon, how are you preparing yourself for your examination?” Runa said. Sumon said to her, “ I am trying my best. I think you have better preparation.” Runa replied, “No, I always face problem in English grammar. Do you practise grammar from test paper?” “Yes, I do. Try to consult your English teacher.” Sumon said to Runa. Runa said, “ Thank You.”

8. Use the right form of verbs:

.5×10=5

Once upon a time there (a) _____(to be) an old sailor. Oneday he along with other crews (b)_____ (start) a journey to an unknown country. Everything was (c)_____ (go) on as usual. When the old sailor (d)_____ (shoot) a bird, albratross, everything changed rapidly. The bird was (e)_____ (kill) by the sailor. The sailor could not (f)_____ (move) his ship at all. There was no wind. There was water everything but there was no water to (g)_____ (drink). When the sailor realized his mistake, he repented to God. They had (h)_____ (try) everything to be free from the danger. Finally, they (i)_____ (forgive) by God. The moral of this story is that we should (j)_____ (love) everything small and big in the Nature.

9. Rewrite the text with correct punctuation and capitalization:

.5×10=5

Hasib: Hi how do you do.

Sunil: Im ok How are you?

Hasib: I'm not ok Ive had enough of your city life? I want to leave the city.

Sunil: What do you mean Hasib.

Hasib: I have decided to return to to my country home madarganj. City life doesnt charm me anymore.

10. Suppose, you are a reporter of The Daily Star. You have studied the causes of failure in English in Bangladesh. Now, write a report for the newspaper on this topic.

08

11. Suppose you are Kajol, a college student. Write an application to your Principal for a seat in the college hostel. 08

12. Floods are the most common natural phonemenon in Bangladesh. It has both positive aspects and drawbacks for us. Now write a composition on “ Floods in Bangladesh”.

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Marks distribution of Half Yearly Examination

Subject: English Paper 1

Full Marks: 60

Range: (Unit 1-7)

Sl. No.	Category	Item	Marks
1	Reading Comprehension 1	MCQ	5
		Open ended question	10
2	Reading Comprehension 2	Flow chart	10
3	Reading Comprehension 3	Summary	10
4		Fill in the blanks without clues	10
5		Poetry theme	08
6		Story writing	07
Total			60

Subject: English Paper 2

Full Marks: 40

Sl. No.	Category	Item	Marks
1	Grammar	Articles	5
2		Words and phrases	5
3		Modifiers	5
4		Pronoun references	5
5		Synonyms and antonyms	5
6	Writing	Composition	15
Total			40



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Subject: English Paper 1

Full Marks: 50

Range: (Unit 8-15)

Sl. No.	Category	Item	Marks
1.	Reading Comprehension 1	MCQ	5
		Open ended question	10
2.	Reading Comprehension 2	Information Transfer	10
3.		Fill in the blanks with clues	5
4.		Graph and chart	10
5.		Paragraph	10
	Total		50

Subject: English Paper 2

Full Marks: 50

Sl. No.	Category	Item	Marks
1.	Grammar	preposition	5
2.		Narration	5
3.		Right form of verbs	5
4.		Punctuation	5
5.	Writing	Reporting	8
6.		Application	8
7.		Composition	14
	Total		50



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Suggestion for Half Yearly Examination, Session 2018-19

Story Writing

1. An honest woodcutter
2. Who will bell the cat?
3. Slow and steady wins the race
4. Unity is strength
5. Physical labor made a wonder

Composition

1. Climate change
2. Patriotism
3. Reading Newspaper
4. Childhood memories
5. Women empowerment

Theme writing

Unit 1-7 (Textbook)



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Report Writing

1. Price hike
2. Fire mishap
3. Causes of failure in English
4. Celebration of victory day
5. Early marriage

Paragraph

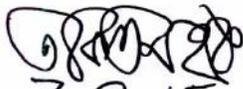
1. Drug Addiction
2. Road accident
3. Uses and abuses of mobile phone
4. Good manners
5. International mother language day
6. Pahela Baishakh
7. 7th March speech
8. Liberation war 1971
9. College library
10. Food adulteration

Composition

1. Students and social service
2. Effects of watching TV
3. Internet
4. Tree plantation
5. Population problem

Application

1. Study tour
2. Seat in the hostel
3. Common room facilities
4. Multimedia facilities
5. Sound system in the classroom


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Suggestion for Pre-test Examination, Session 2017-18

Story Writing

1. Money can't buy happiness
2. What's a play to one is death to another
3. An ant and a dove
4. A fox without a tale
5. The lion and the mouse

Theme writing

Unit 6-12

Report writing

1. Acid throwing
2. Science fair
3. Flood condition
4. Condition of slum dwellers
5. Outstanding HSC result of your college

Composition writing

1. Your favorite personality
2. First day at your college
3. Computer education
4. Floods in Bangladesh
5. Childhood memories
6. Population problem


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Suggestion for Test Examination, Session 2017-18

Paragraph

1. Importance of learning English
2. Traffic jam
3. Gender equality
4. Social networking
5. Street children
6. Environment pollution
7. Rohingya crisis
8. 7th March speech
9. Drug addiction
10. Road safety

Application

1. To the Principal- Testimonial, TC, Extra class
2. To UP Chairman/Mayor- Drainage system, Road repairing, Birth registration certificate
3. To newspaper editor- Mosquito problem, hijacking
4. Job application with CV

Report writing

1. Water logging in Dhaka city.
2. Annual prize giving ceremony in your college.
3. Impact of Facebook.
4. Price hike
5. Chemical in food

Email

1. Thanking for hospitality.
2. Congratulating on success for brilliant sports performance.
3. Booking a hotel room.
4. Invitation to picnic/party.
5. Wishing happy New Year.
6. Thanking for a gift.
7. Making appointment to a doctor.
8. Reply to an invitation.
9. Preparation for upcoming HSC exam.
10. Condolence on death.


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