

Model Question of JSC Examination 2018 for All Boards

Sub: English

Sub Code **1107**

Time: 3 Hours

Full Marks: 100

[Marks for the individual items are mentioned next to the test items]

Part A: Seen Part (20 Marks)

Read the text carefully and answer questions 1 and 2.

River gypsies are an ethnic group in Bangladesh. They are known as *bedey* to local people. The gypsies have their own lifestyle and culture. They live in groups and do not own any land. Therefore, they live a nomadic life, travelling from one place to another. These people roam across our rivers and waters from May to December in small country boats. These boats are their houses and these people are a part of our waters. In winter, many water bodies dry up. At that time they return to the mainland and live in make-shift tarpaulin tents on open river banks. You can see their men relaxing in the tents. Toddlers play with dogs or other pets in the dust. Women often idle away time by hair doing, picking off lice in twos or threes sitting in a row.

Throughout the monsoon, they remain busy with fishing. They also dive for natural pearls in waters. Sometimes, they camp for a couple of weeks. Men catch snakes and entertain people with snake charming and sell herbal cures. Women go from door to door to sell bangles, cosmetics and other things. They also try to heal pains of old people often by sucking out blood from their body.

Many villagers believe in the magical power of the gypsies. They can make an evil spirit leave someone's body by magic or special powers.

► Unit 7; Lesson 3

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

a. The term 'ethnic' means —.

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| i) Urban People | ii) Rural People |
| iii) Travelling people | iv) Population Sub-group |

b. 'Monsoon' refers to —.

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| i) Summer | ii) Winter | iii) Rainy season | iv) Autumn |
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c. The gypsies lead a — life.

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| i) Luxurious | ii) Wandering | iii) Cozy | iv) Trendy |
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d. The gypsies have no —.

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| i) Language | ii) Religion | iii) Land possession | iv) Culture |
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e. River gypsies roam around on their boats about — months a year.

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| i) Six | ii) Seven | iii) Eight | iv) Nine |
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f. The term 'tarpaulin' refers to —.

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| i) a kind of cloth | ii) a kind of coarse cloth |
| iii) a kind of sack | iv) a kind of paper |

g. A nomad is a person —.

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| i) who live by fishing | ii) who travels from place to place |
| iii) who lives in boats | iv) who lives in groups |

2. Answer the following questions. 2×4=8

- Who are river gypsies?
- What do river gypsies do in winter?
- What do river gypsy men do for a living?
- What do river gypsy women do for a living?

3. Read the following text and fill in the gaps with appropriate words to make it a meaningful one. 1×5=5
All the ethnic people of Bangladesh share some common characteristics. They have their (a) — way of leading their lives. River gypsies also have such a unique (b) —. Mostly they lead a (c) — life roaming from one place to another. They usually (d) — across in waters from May to December. For the rest of the year, they live in tents which they make on the open river (e) —.

► Unit 1; Lesson 4

Part B: Unseen Part (25 Marks)

Read the following text carefully and answer questions no. 4 and 5.

George Washington was the first President of the USA. He was born in 1732 in Virginia. His family used to cultivate tobacco in their estate in Virginia. When he was twenty years old, he took over these estates and lived a comfortable life. In 1752, France and Britain started war. Then he left his estates and joined the English forces. He soon made a good name for himself as a brilliant officer. In 1773, the unpleasant incident known as 'Boston Tea Party' took place between the Americans and the British. Thirteen colonies joined into a Congress in 1774. In 1775, some English troops were attacked and a war broke. In 1776, the colonies formally declared themselves independent. A peace treaty was signed between America and Britain in 1783. When England and France made peace, he went to his home of Virginia to live happily. In 1789, Washington became the first President of the United States.

Word Meaning: Cultivate (v) – চাষ করা; Tobacco (n) – তামাক; Estate in Virginia (Phr) – ভার্জিনিয়ার ভূসম্পত্তি; Comfortable (adj) – আরামদায়ক; Unpleasant (adj) – অপ্রীতিকর; Incident (n) – ঘটনা; Troops (n) – সৈন্যবাহিনী; Independent (n) – স্বাধীন; Treaty (n) – চুক্তি; Peace (n) – শান্তি।

4. Complete the following table with the information given in the passage.

1×5=5

Who/What	Event	Year	Place
George Washington	(i) —	in 1732	in Virginia
France and British	started a war	in 1752	(ii) —
Boston Tea Party	unpleasant incident	(iii) —	in America and Britain
(iv) —	declared independence	in 1776	in America
Washington	became first President	in 1789	(v) —

5. Read the passage again and write True or False beside the following statements. Give answers to the false statements.

1×5=5

- In his early life, Washington was a politician.
- He had led a comfortable life before the war broke.
- When a war was started between France and Britain, he joined the American force.
- He was acknowledged as an obedient officer.
- He was the pioneer President of the USA.

6. Fill in the gaps with appropriate words from the box. There are more words than necessary and one word can only be used once.

0.5×10=5

carry	in	opposition	king	did	trees
idea	island	palace	all	great	ordered

Once there lived a king (a) — an island. Here were green (b) — everywhere in the island. The (c) — decided to build a magnificent (d) — in the island. So, he (e) — his men to cut down (f) — the trees. Some opposed the (g) — of the king but the king (h) — not pay heed to their (i) —. So, people were compelled to (j) — out the king's order.

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

1×5=5

Ghashful, a non-government organization, has been (a) — with sections of Chattogram's most vulnerable population since 1972 and formally registered with the government in 1978. Ghashful has (b) — in partnership with various donors, (c) — a significant relationship with Action Aid Bangladesh. Ghashful is (d) — to become a self-sustaining NGO and the recent expansion of its micro-finance program is (e) — to achieve this.

8. The phrases in column A are the beginnings of some sentences. The phrases in column B are the endings. Match the phrases in column A with the phrases in column B to make complete sentences. Write the sentences in full.

1×5=5

Column A	Column B
(A) A dictionary shows	1) in its simple present tense.
(B) Prefixes and suffixes.	2) about the words of a language.
(C) A verb word is always given	3) help to make new words.
(D) Meanings of words are given	4) how to pronounce a word.
(E) A dictionary gives information	5) in a dictionary.

Part C: Grammar Part (25 Marks)

9. Fill in the gaps used in the following text by adding suffix, prefix or both with the root words underlined in the text. 0.5×10=5

(a) Glutton is not a good habit. It means eating (b) excess food. Some people (c) occasional eat too much. It results in (d) digestion which is (e) injure to health. People suffer from (f) digest trouble because they cannot resist their (g) tempt for overeating. They are (h) tolerant. However, this type of (i) tolerant can cause serious damage in the body. Therefore, we must not take food (j) excess.

10. Fill in the gaps in the following text with appropriate articles. Put a cross (×) where no article is used. 0.5×10 = 5

E-learning is such (a) — learning process that doesn't require (b) — traditional classroom environment but (c) — electronic devices and technologies. Very often (d) — E-learning is described as online course, distant learning, Internet learning etc. However, sometimes e-learning is defined as (e) — specifically designed course in which (f) — learner can communicate with his/her instructor or co-learners through any internet based platform. Again, (g) — instructor can use previously recorded lessons. (h) — E-learning can also be done in live manner in which (i) — e-learners will have (j) — ability to perform simultaneously with the classroom learners.

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

- Today corruption is a familiar term in Bangladesh. (Negative)
- Corruption destroys a society. (Passive)
- We must not accept corruption. (Passive)
- Nobody likes a corrupt man. (Negative-Interrogative)
- The corrupted are disgraceful. (Exclamatory)

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

Father said to me, "Your JSC examination is knocking at the door. How is your preparation?" I gladly replied, "I'm now fully confident about the exam. Pray for me." Father said, "May Allah help you."

13. Rewrite the following passage using capitalization and punctuation. 0.5×10=5

language plays a very important role in our life it is ever present in our activities it is only a human trait however we must not make language complex as it is to help us it's main aim is to communicate.

Part D: Writing Part (30 Marks)

- Suppose, you are Mollika and chatting with your friend, Pushpo. Write a dialogue between you and your friend about the bad effects of Facebook. 10
- You want to participate in Math Olympiad. Now, write an e-mail to the Convener of the program asking guidelines and other details of the program. The e-mail address of the convener is olympiad.math@ymail.com. 10
- Write a paragraph of 250 words on National Flag of Bangladesh. Your writing should address the following questions. 10
 - What does a national flag demonstrate?
 - Who designed it?
 - What is the measurement of it?
 - How does it carry significance?
 - How do you feel about the flag?