

Rangpur Model College

Annual Examination - 2020

English 1st Paper

Time: 3:00 hrs

Full Marks: 100

Part A: Reading Test - 60

1. Read the passage and answer the question A and B:-

Kuakata, locally known as *Sagar Kannya* (Daughter of the Sea) is a rare scenic spot located on the southernmost tip of Bangladesh. It is 70 km from Patuakhali district headquarters and 320 km from Dhaka. An excellent combination of the picturesque natural beauty, sandy beaches, blue sky and the shimmering expanse of water of the Bay of Bengal and the evergreen forest makes Kuakata a much sought after tourist destination.

The name Kuakata takes its origin from the story of a 'Kua'— or well— dug on the seashore by the early Rakhaine settlers for collecting drinking water. The Rakhaines had landed on Kuakata coast after being expelled from Arakan by the Mughals. Kuakata is one of the unique spots which allow a visitor to watch both the sunrise and the sunset from the beach. That perhaps makes Kuakata one of the world's most attractive beaches. Kuakata is truly a virgin beach and a sanctuary for migratory winter birds. Fishing boats plying in the Bay of Bengal with colourful sails, surfing waves and the lines of coconut trees add to the vibrant colours of Kuakata. The indigenous culture of the Rakhaine community and hundred year old Buddhist temples indicate the age-old tradition and cultural heritage of this area.

A. Choose the correct answer from the alternatives.

1×5= 5

(a) What does the word 'known' in the passage refer to?

- (i) common (ii) obscure (iii) familiar (iv) general

(b) Where is Kuakata located?

- (i) in Khulna (ii) in Patuakhali (iii) in Barishal (iv) in Bagerhat

(c) The word 'shimmering' in the text could be best replaced by —.

- (i) shivering (ii) shining (iii) significant (iv) glaring

(d) The Rakhaines originally came from —.

- (i) Patuakhali district (ii) Latachapli union (iii) Kuakata coast (iv) Arakan district

(e) The word 'heritage' mentioned in the passage means —.

- (i) usual (ii) common (iii) tradition (iv) formal

B. Answer the following questions.

2×5=10

- (a) Where does the name 'Kuakata' come from?
(b) What does the expression 'a much sought after tourist destination' mean?
(c) Why would one visit Kuakata?
(d) What are the things that add to the beauties of Kuakata?
(e) 'Kuakata' upholds an ancient tradition, how?

2. Read the following text and make a flow chart showing the activities of peace movement. (One has been done for you.)

2×5=10

A peace movement is a social movement that seeks to achieve ideals such as the ending of a particular war (or all wars), minimize inter-human violence in a particular place or type of situation, including ban of guns, and is often linked to the goal of achieving world peace. Means to achieve these ends include advocacy of pacifism, non-violent resistance, diplomacy, boycotts, demonstrations, peace camps; supporting anti-war political candidates and banning guns, creating open government, direct democracy; supporting people who expose war-crimes or conspiracies to create wars, and making laws. Different organizations involved in peace movements may have some diverse goals, but one common goal is sustainability of peace.

1. Ending of war → 2 → 3 → 4 → 5 → 6

3. Summarise the following text:-

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When adolescent girls are pulled out of school, either for marriage or work, they often lose their mobility, their friends and social status. The lack of mobility among adolescent girls also curtails their economic and non-formal educational opportunities. Moreover, they lack information about health issues. According to a study, only about three in five adolescents have even heard of HIV. It is also reported that more than 50 percent of adolescent girls are undernourished and suffer from anemia. Adolescent fertility is also high in Bangladesh. The contribution of the adolescent fertility rate to the total fertility rate increased from 20.3% in 1993 to 24.4% in 2007. Moreover, neonatal mortality is another concern for younger mothers.

4. Read the following text and fill in the blanks with suitable words from the box. There are more words in the box than are needed. Make any grammatical change if necessary.

0.5×10=5

call	serious	define	deaths	cause	interpersonal
nature	among	within	economic	armed	aggressive

Conflict can be (a) — as clash of value and ideas among other things and the most serious form of conflict (b) — clashes that results in lots of (c) — and casualties. There can be conflict (d) — us, which is (e) — intrapersonal conflict. The conflict between or (f) — people is called (g) — conflict. Constraint of resources is also a (h) — of conflict and it is known as (i) — conflict. Conflict is a very common phenomenon, but sometimes it takes (j) — forms.

5. Fill in the gaps using suitable words. 1×10=10

Folk music (a) — of songs and music of a community that are (b) — by any (c) — musical rules or any standard music styles. Bangladesh has a (d) — of rich folk (e) — which includes both religious and (f) — songs. Folk music may be described as that type of ancient (g) — which springs from the heart of a (h) —, based on their (i) — style of expression uninfluenced by the rules of classical music and (j) — popular song.

6. Rearrange the following sentences to make a coherent order. 1×10=10

- (a) William Somerset Maugham, a British writer, was living in Paris.
- (b) It was twenty years ago.
- (c) The writer was flattered and he was too young to say 'no' to a woman.
- (d) In this busy city, the writer was earning barely enough to keep his body and soul together.
- (e) In the letter, she said that she was passing through Paris.
- (f) After reading the book, she wrote to him about it.
- (g) He answered, thanking her, and presently he received another letter from her.
- (h) Once a lady read one of his books.
- (i) She also wrote that she would like to have a chat with the writer.
- (j) Paris was a busy city and there the writer had a tiny apartment in the Latin quarter overlooking a cemetery.

Part B- Writing Test -40

7. Write a paragraph on 'Folk Music' in about 200 words on the basis of answers to the following questions. 10

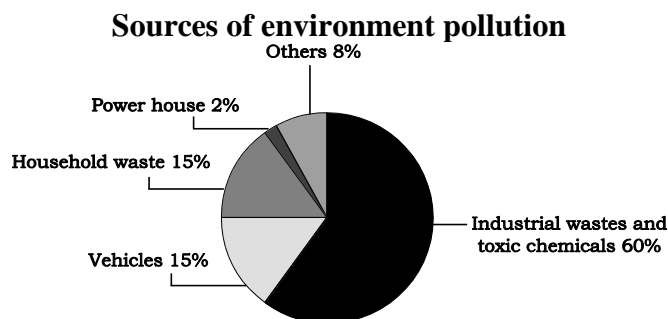
- (a) What is folk music?
- (b) What are the components of folk music?
- (c) Why is not folk music sophisticated?
- (d) Who are the contributors of folk music in Bangladesh?
- (e) What kind of role does folk music play in our social and cultural life?

8. Read the beginning of the following story and complete it in your own way. Give a title to the story. 7

One day, a crow stole a piece of meat. It flew away and sat on the branch of a tree. Suddenly, there came a fox there.

9. Suppose, you are Purno/Purna of Boalkhali, Chattogram. Your younger brother wastes time in Facebook. Now, write a letter to your younger brother advising him not to waste time. 5

10. Look at the pie-chart below. It shows the sources of environment pollution in a city. Now, analyze the chart in at least 80 words. You should highlight the information and the main features given in the chart. 10



11. Write the theme of the following poem (Not more than 50 words). 8

I died for beauty, but was scarce
 Adjusted in the tomb,
 When one who died for truth was lain
 In an adjoining room.
 He questioned softly why I failed?
 'For beauty,' I replied.
 'And I for truth — the two are one;
 We brethren are', he said.
 And so, as kinsmen met a-night,
 We talked between the rooms,
 Until the moss had reached our lips,
 And covered up our names.