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## Assignment-1

Class: Eight

Subject: English

A: Seen Comprehension

### Read the text and answer the questions 1, 2 and 3.

Once upon a time, a dove and a bat were very good friends. One day the two friends decided to set out on a journey. They flew over the rivers and hills and came to a big jungle. Both the friends were very tired, they needed to sit down and take a rest. Soon night fell and it was dark all around. A storm rose. It started to rain heavily. The dove and the bat started to look for a shelter.

They came upon a century-old rain tree. An owl had his nest in that tree. The dove and the bat knocked at the owl's door. The old grumpy owl opened the door. The dove and the bat requested him to give them shelter. The owl unwillingly let them in. The two birds were hungry too. They begged for some food. The selfish owl was not happy.

However, he shared his dinner with them. The dove was so tired that she could hardly eat. But the bat was sly. He ate greedily. He began to praise the owl with the thought of getting more food. The bat said, "O wise and brave owl, you are the most generous person I have ever seen. You are powerful and mighty."

The owl was very pleased at the bat's flattery. He puffed and ruffled himself, trying to look as wise and brave as possible. Then he turned to the dove and asked, "Now little dove, what do you think about me?"

#### 1. Choose the correct answer from the alternatives.

- i) The synonym of the 'generous' is -----
  - a) cruel
  - b) heartless
  - c) frugal
  - d) kind hearted
- ii) The bat was a ----- creature.
  - a) wise
  - b) cunning
  - c) foolish
  - d) brave
- iii) An owl can not see in the -----.
  - a) daylight
  - b) day dream
  - c) day time
  - d) day labour
- iv) Here the word 'grumpy' stands for-----
  - a) Fresh mind
  - b) joyful
  - c) bad tempered
  - d) shyness
- v) Actually the bat ----- the owl.
  - a) criticised
  - b) admired
  - c) flattered
  - d) praised
- vi) Century means -----
  - a) 100 years
  - b) 1000 years
  - c) less than 500 years
  - d) all the options
- vii) The dove ate -----.
  - a) too much
  - b) greedily
  - c) almost nothing
  - d) moderately

#### 2. Read the text and fill in the gaps with appropriate word.

River gypsies in Bangladesh having (a) ----- problems. First, Bangladesh is urbanizing (b) ----- rapidly. Gypsy people are losing their (c) -----in urban population. Hence their income is threatened. Secondly 24,000 kilometers of (d) ----- water ways has shrunk into only 6000 kilometers in the (e) ----- in dry seasons. Scientists believe that Bangladesh will be worst affected by global climate change.

#### 3. Answer the following questions.

- a) What did the two friends decide to do?
- b) Where did they get shelter?
- c) Why did they become very hungry?

d) What was the reason of bat's flattering the owl?

### B: Unseen Comprehension

**Read the following text and answer questions 4 and 5.**

Umar ibn Al-Khattab was the Second Caliph of Islam. He was just, kind and pious.

During a famine, one night as usual Umar (RA) went on his round to see the condition of people. He was accompanied by his slave Aslam. As he walked from street to street all was quiet and the people seemed to be asleep.

Then as he went to a corner he saw a cottage where light was burning, and from where the sound of the weeping of the children was heard. Umar (RA) went to the cottage. He saw that the lady of the house was cooking something, and the children were crying.

Umar (RA) knocked at the gate, and addressing the lady of the house Umar (RA) asked why the children were crying. She said that they were orphans and crying because they were hungry for three days. "And what are you cooking", asked Umar. The lady said that in the kettle there was only water and stones. That was to while away the children that food was being cooked for them. She hoped that exhausted the children would go to sleep.

Hearing this saddest tale, Umar (RA) felt guilty. He had thought that because of his unawareness, here was a family which was starving. Umar said to the lady that he would arrange relief for her family immediately. Umar (RA) went to the Baitul Mal and carried himself the bag full of food. Umar (RA) handed over the bag to the lady. Umar (RA) sat by the hearth and helped the lady cook the meals. When the meals were ready the children were awakened and served with the delicious meals. As the children ate to their fill and were satisfied they smiled the smile of happiness. Seeing the destitute children smile Umar (RA) also felt happy.

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

What/ Who	Event	Where/ why/ when
i) -----	was the second Caliph	of Islam
He	ii) -----	to see the condition of people
He	went to	iii) -----
The mother	iv) -----	they are hungry for 3 days
The children	smiled	v) -----

**5. Write whether the statements are true or false. If false give the correct answer.**

- Hazrat Abu Bakar ® was the second Caliph of Islam.
- He used to walk on the street at night to see the moonlight.
- The woman was a poor widow.
- Suddenly Umar ® heard the sound of laughter.
- The food bag was carried by the Caliph himself.

**6. Fill in the gaps using clues from the boxes. There are more words than necessary.**

books	come	you	false	need	life
will	ready	or	you	books	but

Books are men's best friends in (a) ----. You may have many good friends (b) ----- you do not find them when (c) ----- need them. They may not always (d) ----- to you with sympathy. Again one (e) ----- two may prove false and do (f) ----much harm. But books are always (g) ---- to be by your side. Some (h) --- will make you laugh. Some other (i) ----- give you much pleasure. Some (j) ----- will bring new knowledge.

**7. Fill in the gaps using suitable words.**

Education is the backbone of a nation. No nation can (a) ----- without education. Education (b) ----- our ignorance and gives us the (c) ----- of knowledge. In respect of imparting education, there should be no (d) ----- between men and women. Education is one of the (e) ----- human rights.

**8. Match the part of sentences from column A with column B to make five complete sentences.**

Column-A	Column-B
a) Digital Bangladesh is a new but	i) Digitalizing everything in our national life.
b) Digital Bangladesh is a	ii) Countries are fully dependent on digitalization process.
c) It is a process of	iii) Vision of bringing about a digital change in every sector.
d) Our lifestyle daily activities, business transaction	iv) Communication, entertainment, studies consultations, etc. would be made online
e) Economically rich and industrially developed	v) ambitious concept in the country.

**C: Grammar**

**9. Fill in the gaps with appropriate articles. Put a cross (x) where no Article is used. 05**

(a)---16<sup>th</sup> December is (b)--red letter day in the history of Bangladesh. On this day, we achieved (c) ---freedom at the cost of (d) ----bloody battle and Bangladesh came into (e) --- being and made a place in (f) --- world map as (g) ---- independent country. Every year this day is celebrated in (h) -- - enthusiastic atmosphere .We remember (i) ----- great sacrifice of our heroic sons who died for this country .We also pay (j) ---- great tribute to them.

**10. Change the following passage into Indirect Sentences.**

The teacher said to Kamal, “Why are you talking in the class? You should behave yourself.” Kamal replied, “Sir I am sorry. I am asking Rahim to lend me his pen. My pen has run out.”

**11. Use capital letters and punctuation as needed in the following passage.**

alexander the great was the king of macedonia he was the son of philip a mighty king of sparta he invaded india 327 years before the birth of christ on the way of defeated porus and marched towards the panjab.

**12. Read the text below and fill in the gaps with root words on the underlined adding suitable suffix, prefix or both.**

Trees are (a) use to man in many ways. They are (b) company in our day to day life. It is (c) possible to build our house, furniture etc. without trees. Trees save us from flood and (d) nature calamities. It (e) strength our soil. If we cut down trees at random, there will be (f) ecology (g) balance. So tree (h) plan programme should be extended for a better, (i) happy and (j) healthy life.

**13. Change the following sentences as directed in the brackets.**

- Cox’s Bazaar sea beach is very long. (Exclamatory)
- Many people come to visit the beach every year. (Interrogative)
- They enjoy the beauty of nature. (Passive)
- Many photographs are taken by them. (Active)
- Everybody admires the beach. (Negative)

**D: Writing**

**14. Write a dialogue between two friends about ‘your aim in life’.**

**15. Write a paragraph on ‘Traffic Jam. The paragraph should address the following questions.**

- What is traffic jam?
- Where does it occur?
- What are the causes behind it?
- What problems do the people face for it?
- How can the problem be solved

**16. Write an E-mail to your friend congratulating him on his brilliant result.**