

SOLUTION TO HSC EXAMINATION'S QUESTIONS

ENGLISH FIRST PAPER

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DHAKA BOARD—2025

English : Paper I

Part I : Reading

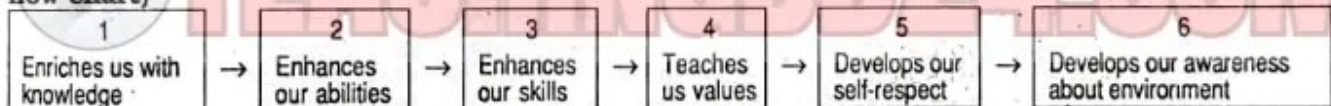
1. A. Multiple choice questions

(a)⇒(iii) inborn; (b)⇒(iv) willingly; (c)⇒(i) deception; (d)⇒(ii) fixed; (e)⇒(iv) responsibility; (f)⇒(iii) sound of cutting wood; (g)⇒(i) a small enclosed space; (h)⇒(ii) gratefulness; (i)⇒(iii) uprightness; (j)⇒(ii) for eight years.

B. Open-ended

- Apart from Jerry's designated work, he put kindling and medium wood in a cubbyhole, of his own accord, so that the authoress might always have firewood ready if there was sudden wet weather. Besides, he repaired a rough walk to the cabin, which is not normally trodden, digging a deeper hole and fixing up the loose stone there.
- When the writer gave him such things as candy and apples, Jerry remained wordless. He even did not say "Thank you", but his eyes revealed his affection and gratitude.
- Jerry refused to take the writer's money for the repair of the axe handle because he considered himself responsible for its breaking. He thought that the axe handle broke exclusively owing to his carelessness at the time of chopping wood.
- Jerry was the epitome of integrity, which made him look more than brave and honest to the authoress. Jerry's gratitude in his eyes, his gracious activities, and his integrity impressed the authoress. So, for these qualities in Jerry, the authoress was highly impressed with him.
- Yes, I sincerely like the personality of Jerry. Because he had some extraordinary characteristic traits. His striking skill in chopping wood, honesty and responsible attitude simply charm me. He was a boy of only twelve but he showed great skill in chopping wood. When the ax handle broke, he took the responsibility without any excuse. Apart from his fixed duty of chopping wood, he did some gracious things like a great-hearted person such as putting dry material in the cubbyhole, and repairing the rough walk to cabin completely of his own accord.

2. Rewriting in a different form (inferring information from the given text and presenting it in a flow chart)



3. Summary

Money is spent every day for various reasons. Spending may make us either happy or unhappy, according to our purpose. Essential and limited spending makes our life good. On the other hand, overspending makes our life stressful. People who overspend, must bear the brunt of dissatisfaction, and the habit of unnecessary spending eventually becomes an addiction causing economic and psychological problems.

4. Cloze test with clues

(a) who; (b) going; (c) waste/wastage; (d) decided; (e) scarce/valuable; (f) worry; (g) married; (h) bringing; (i) were; (j) study.

5. Cloze test without clues

(a) toxic/poisonous/harmful/deadly; (b) suitable/proper; (c) get; (d) these/all; (e) polluting; (f) important; (g) smoke; (h) healthy/comfortable/happy; (i) difficult/impossible; (j) awareness/consciousness.

6. Rearranging

(d)→(h)→(a)→(j)→(b)→(i)→(f)→(e)→(g)→(c)

Sheikh Saadi, a renowned Persian poet, was travelling to the emperor's palace. Night fell on the way, and the poet took shelter in a courtier's house. As Saadi was dressed in his usual inexpensive attire, the courtier didn't recognize him. So, he treated the great man with indifference, offering him only a small meal and poor accommodation. On his way back home from the emperor's palace, Saadi deliberately stopped at the same courtier's house. This time, however, he was wearing the luxurious clothes given to him by the emperor. Seeing the expensive clothes of the guest, the courtier and his men were extremely hospitable, offering him a spread of fine dishes. During the meal, however, the guest began to put the delicacies into the folds of his fine clothes. Surprised, the courtier asked, "Why are you feeding your clothes, my honorable guest?" Saadi said that his clothes, in fact, deserved the food, reminding the host that last time he was shown poor hospitality because of his ordinary clothes.

Part II : Writing

7. Describing a graph

Different types of books preserved in a college library

See Key to Suggestions. Sl. No. 02; Page No. 142

8. **Completing a story**
Salim Mia Gets a Happy Life
See Key to Suggestions (Creative Story). **Sl. No. 10; Page No. 123**
9. **Writing an informal letter**
A letter to my friend giving him a brief account of the sights and sounds of Bangladesh
See Key to Suggestions. **Sl. No. 05; Page No. 132**