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**Subject- English 1<sup>st</sup> Paper/ Subject Code-136**

Time:3 hrs.

Full Marks-100

**Part A: Reading Test-50 marks**

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions following it.

26 March, our Independence Day, is the biggest state festival. The day is celebrated every year in the country with great enthusiasm and fervour. It is a national holiday. All offices, educational institutions, shops and factories remain closed on this day. The day begins with 31 gunshots.

Early in the morning the President and the Prime Minister on behalf of the nation place floral wreaths at the National Mausoleum at Savar. Then diplomats, political parties, social and cultural organizations, and freedom fighters pay homage to the martyrs. People from all walks of life also come there with rallies and processions. There are several cultural programmes throughout the day highlighting the heroic struggle and sacrifice in 1971. The country also witness a smartly dressed parade of defence forces, border guards, police, ansars and the VDP (Village Defense Party) at the National Parade Ground near the National Parliament. In Bangabandhu Stadium, school children, scouts and girl guides take part in various displays to entertain thousands of spectators. The educational institutions also organize their individual programmes. Sports meets and tournaments are also organised on the day including the exciting boat race in the river Buriganga. In the evening, all major public buildings are illuminated with colourful lights. Bangla Academy, Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy and other socio-cultural organizations hold cultural functions. Similar functions are also arranged in other places in the country.

1. Choose the best answer from the alternatives.

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- Our largest state festival is---i) language day ii) victory day iii) independence day iv) none
- Independence Day begins with---i) gunshots ii) mourning songs iii)parades iv) processions
- Who place wreaths at the national memorial? i) President ii) Minister iii) PM iv) i & iii
- 'Illuminate' stands for---i) put off ii) light iii) put in iv) all the options
- Bangla Academy is a ----i) cultural organization ii)museum iii) educational institution iv)none
- National Parade Ground is in ---- i) Rajshahi ii) Chittagong iii) Khulna iv) Dhaka
- What is the synonym of 'spectator'? i) watcher ii) observer iii) viewer iv) all the options.
- The National Mausoleum is--i) On Dhaka University Campus ii)At Ramna Park iii)At Savar iv)Near Medical College
- 'Display' stands for---i) fair ii) light iii) occasion iv) presentation
- The main purpose of the author of this passage is to highlight---i) Culture ii) Victory Day iii) Celebration of Independence Day iv) Good manners

2. Answer the following questions.

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- Why is 26 March observed throughout the country in festive manners?
- Who initiate the formalities at the National Mausoleum on Independence Day?
- Where is the National Mausoleum?
- Who take part in various displays?
- What are the main socio-cultural organizations?
- What is the significance of Independence Day?

3. Read the passage and fill in each gap with a suitable word based on the information of the text.

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Fish population is in serious danger from global warming. Climate change is increasing the water temperature in rivers, lakes, and seas. This means there is less food and oxygen available for fish. It also means the fish may not grow fully and may have fewer offspring. Some fishes will become extinct if temperatures rise even by one or two degrees.

Climate change increases the pressure on fish population. Fishes are one of the world's most valuable biological assets. Forty percent of people in the world eat fish as their main source of protein. If we fail to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, we will increase the pressure on fish. As a result, people who depend on fish will suffer from hunger and poverty.

It is (a) \_\_\_ from the passage that global warming is (b) \_\_\_ a great threat for fish population. (c) \_\_\_ to global warming, food production and oxygen (d) \_\_\_ in water decreases. As a result, some fishes may be extinct (e) \_\_\_.

**Unseen Comprehension**

Read the following passage and answer the questions below (4, 5 & 6)

It was the eve of World War II, October 1938. Mrs. Smith sat on her favourite rocking chair and closed her eyes. It was a long tiring day. She looked out of the window; it was dark-quite dark. The tension of the war hung in the air. Mrs. Smith was restless. Her husband William Smith and son William Smith Junior were off to the border. She switched on the radio and a deep male voice floated in. It was an invasion alarm: what actually happened on that night was Orson Welles and his Mercury Theatre presented a radio adaptation on HG Wells's novel 'War of the Worlds' on the air. Wells meant the programme to be a Halloween Joke. But the beginning of the programme was missed by many listeners. They mistook it for news coverage of an actual invasion of the U.S.A. Panic spread from one end of the country

to the other. It drove many people into frenzy. They fled by car from the invaded area. A number of people died as a result of accidents or by suicide. People had believed the invasion because they heard it on the radio at a time of fear and also because the invasion was put across as a current news programme.

4. Complete the table below with information from the passage. 6

Who/What		Whom/What	How/Where	When/Why
Her husband	was off		i)-----	to fight for the country.
Mrs Smith	sat on		her rocking chair	ii)-----
Many listeners	missed	iii)-----	of the programme.	
They	mistook	the programme	for news coverage	iv)-----
Welles	meant	the programme	to be a Halloween Joke	v)-----
Many people	died			vi)-----

5. Write a summary of the above passage in not more than 90 to 100 words. 10

6. Match the parts of sentences given in column A, B and C to write 7 meaningful sentences: 7

Column A	Column B	Column C
Mrs. Smith	were off	a long strenuous day
It	meant the programme	and it was quite dark.
She	spread from one end of the country	of an actual attack of the U.S.A.
Her husband and son	sat on her favourite rocking chair	to be a Halloween Joke.
Wells	mistook it for news coverage	to the other.
They	was	closing her eyes.
Terror	looked out of the window	to the border.

**Part B: Writing Test: 50 marks**

7. Write a paragraph on “Book Fair” answering the following questions. 14

- a) What is a book fair?
- b) When is it usually held?
- c) What are displayed in a book fair and why?
- d) What is the purpose and importance of this fair?
- e) Have you ever visited any book fair? If so have you bought any book at that fair?

8. Read the beginning of a story. Write more to complete the story and give a title to it. 12  
 An old man had three sons. They used to quarrel one another. One day the old man called his sons and ordered to fetch some sticks. ....

9. Write an email to your friend named Abid inviting him to your sister’s marriage ceremony. 12

10. Write a dialogue between you and your friend about the safety measures you are taking during COVID 19 Pandemic situation. 12