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Full Marks: 50

Reading Part-15

My grandmother was the daughter of a farmer who lived near a country town. When she was young, she used to complain that life gave her few opportunities of meeting interesting people and offered her little chance of going on with her education. But that was fifty years ago.

We still live in the same farmhouse. We still enjoy the peace of the countryside and the quiet of the woods, but our life is very different from that of our grandparents. Why is this? What has made our life so different? The reason is, of course, that discoveries and inventions made since their time have immensely extended the range of our eyes and ears. One might almost claim that these inventions can bring the whole world to us in our homes.

Record players offer us the pleasure of the best classical music or the most up-to-date dance music, and our telephone brings us the voices of city friends. Who knows what may come next? In time, perhaps, a 'viewphone' may make it possible for us to see our friends as we talk to them in their own homes while we are sitting in ours.

In the cold, dark evenings of winter, a home cinema can show us once more the happy sunny days of our summer holidays by the sea, or perhaps in countries abroad. By means of television, live pictures can be sent to us of all sorts of events: football matches on the other side of the world, moonwalks taking place a quarter of a million miles away, and countless other wonders that our grandparents could not have believed possible.

And how the learning of languages has changed! Grandmother only spoke English and a few words of French that she had learned at school. Things are very different for my daughter, who is attending a secondary school. At school she not only hears the teacher speaking French. Her class also listens regularly to broadcast lessons on the radio by native French speakers. I wonder whether her great-grandmother even heard one single French person speak the language! We have just bought our daughter a tape recorder for her birthday. With this machine she can record the broadcast lessons so that she can repeat them again after the speaker at home. We have all become keen listeners at our farm. We welcome these speakers of a foreign language who, we may say, come to visit us in our own home.

1. Decide whether the statements are right or wrong.

0.5x6=3

- My grandmother learnt French by radio when she was at school.
- A tape recorder can record radio programmes and play them back later.
- School pupils can learn foreign languages by radio.
- Grandmother had a lot of French visitors at the farm.
- Television has been able to show us things happening outside our own world.
- We bought our daughter a record player for her birthday.

2. Answer these questions.

1x4=4

- What did the grandmother complain for?
- Where does the writer still live?
- How is the learning of a foreign language changed?
- What has increased the range of our eyes and ears?

3. Fill the blanks with appropriate word / phrases from the passage.

6 x 0.5=3

- It was fifty years ago when my _____ was a school.
- A record player can _____ a programme and you can listen it later.
- A _____ may make it possible to see each other while we are talking.
- My grandmother learned a few _____ words at school.
- The condition of my _____ is different from that of my grandmother.

f. We bought our daughter a tape recorder on her _____.

4. Find the corresponding words in the passage to match the meanings.

0.5x6=3

a. to say or write that you are unhappy about something.

b. very much.

c. widely accepted and used for a long time.

d. too many to be counted or mentioned.

e. a radio or television programme.

f. connected with a particular place.

5. Make sentences of your own with following words. No marks shall be given if you copy from the passage.

0.5x4=2

a) going on with, b) different from, c) by means of, d) by native speaker.

Grammar Part-25

6. Change the speech from Direct to Indirect

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“Good morning, can I help you?” said the manager. “Yes, I was told to come over here to get a parking sticker. Is this the right place?” said the lady. “Yes, it is. What’s the registration number of your car?” said the manager.

7. Combine the cluster of sentences into a meaningful sentence.

5x1=5

a. It was morning. My grandfather was sitting on the yard. He was reading the newspaper.

b. Ratul is my nephew. He reads in class IV. His school’s name is Chittagong Grammar School.

c. We rested under a tree. The tree was a mango tree. The tree was old. The tree was shadowy.

d. Mr. Abid is a doctor. He is a famous doctor. He is working for the helpless children.

e. My grandfather was a local landlord. He built this mosque. It was built about 100 years ago.

8. Transform the sentences according to direction in the brackets.

1x7=7

a. Only Allah can help us in danger. (Negative)

b. How charming the architecture of the mosque is! (Assertive)

c. Though the boy tried his best, he could not succeed. (Simple)

d. Habib is one of the most obedient boys in the class. (Positive)

e. We think the boy is as innocent as a lamb. (Comparative)

f. Alas! Our boys lost the final match. (Assertive)

g. Without reading the Quran, you cannot be a good Muslim. (Compound)

9. Correct the sentences where necessary.

8x1=8

a. I wish I can the change the world.

b. Do you know where does he live.

c. Habib is more experienced and more senior than Rakib.

d. He speaks as if he knows everything.

e. Nobody never saw him without a stick.

f. He said that the earth moved round the sun.

g. If he had offered me, I would stay.

h. His uncle deals with vegetables.

Writing Part-10

10. A. Write an amplification on any one of the following topics

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a) An empty vessel sounds much. b) A stitch in time saves nine.

B. Write a report on the final match between International Islamic University Chittagong and Port City International University of Inter-varsity Football Tournament-2019 for your local newspaper **The Morning Sun**.

Or Make one sentence of each expressing the following notions and attitudes. (Any five) 1 x 5 = 5

a) Giving permission. b) Order. c) Request. d) Apology. e) Offer. f) Probability. g) Congratulation