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Course Title: Advanced English

Time: 1 Hour & 30 Minutes Full Marks 30 (Written-25+Speaking-05)

Section-A: Reading Part

Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions.

Thousands of bees live in a hive. There are three types of bee in a hive. They are the Queen bee, the drones and the workers. The Queen is the head of the colony of bees. She doesn't command them, but she is essential to the life of the colony. She keeps its members together. She also lays eggs that produce the future members of the colony.

The drones are the males of the colony. The name drone has come to mean a lazy person, because the drones of a colony of bees do not take part in the work of the hive; but the life of the colony could not continue without them. They are not numerous in comparison with the total population of the family of bees, and they live for only three months, but in that time they perform the essential function of fertilizing the eggs of the Queen bee by mating with her. Fertilized eggs produce worker bees. Unfertilized eggs produce drones, a very small number in the entire family.

The worker bees carry out all the work of the colony. Wild bees build their homes in the hollows of the trees. Colonies of bees also live in hives that men provide for them. They fly out into forests, fields and gardens to gather nectar from flowers. They take the nectar back to the hive. There it is made into honey and stored in cells as food for the winter. As they fly from flower to flower, they carry with them pollen that clings to their bodies and legs. This pollen fertilizes the blossoms that will later become fruit. The worker bees bring water to the hive. They ventilate the hive and protect it from their enemies. They feed their Queen and look after her young ones. These are the responsibilities of the worker bees. There are about thirty to forty thousand worker bees in each colony

1. Answer the questions as directed.

1x8=8

- a) There is a _____ at the base of the large tree. (Find a word in the passage that can complete this sentence)
- b) All the bees *contribute* to the life of the colony. Rewrite the sentence replacing the word in italics.
- c) Drone bees suck up honey from the blossoms of trees. (Is this statement true/false?)
- d) Make a sentence of your own with the expression *in comparison with*.
- e) Explain the word "numerous".

- f) "The responsibility of the bees is equal in the beehive". Do you agree? Write your opinion in one sentence.
- g) "They feed their Queen and look after her young ones". Here *they* refers to _____.
- h) What is the function of pollen?

Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions.

Dengue fever and other severe dengue symptoms are the result of a viral illness spread by mosquito bites. Those infected with dengue often have a high temperature, headache, bodily pains, nausea, and rash. As Aedes mosquitoes, which transmit the dengue virus, have surged in the early days of summer, doctors have warned that Bangladesh may have an even more severe outbreak of the disease in 2023 than in the previous years. Here are 5 tips to aid you in combating this virus.

Aedes mosquitoes generally become active two hours after dawn and stay active until two hours before nightfall. Since they cannot differentiate between natural and artificial light, these mosquitoes have been reported to attack in regions that are brilliantly illuminated. Cover all windows with fine net screens if possible.

Dengue mosquitoes usually hide behind curtains, beds, sinks, wardrobes, etc. If you neglect to close the windows, you will not be able to avoid mosquitoes. As a result, you may install an ultraviolet light either directly above or close to the entranceway.

Dengue-carrying mosquitoes flourish in containers of stagnant water such as tires, rubber covers, plant pots, pet water bowls, sinks, etc. So, remove any unnecessary water from your home by draining flower pots, changing out water-filled bowls, removing any water plants, making sure your septic tank and plumbing are in good working condition, and covering any containers you use to store water. Eliminating mosquito breeding grounds helps reduce the spread of dengue fever significantly as mosquito multiplying gets disrupted.

Mosquito repellents come in many varieties such as oils, lotions, sprays, patches, wipes, and coils. You must keep mosquitoes away from home by spraying the room, lighting a coil, or installing a liquidator. When working on a laptop, studying, doing housekeeping, or cooking, it is not always practical to sit behind a mosquito net. Therefore, apply mosquito repellent lotion to the exposed skin before starting your activity. Some repellent lotions include Vitamin E for skin protection, so choose accordingly whichever is suitable for your skin.

We have learned the value of good immunity from diseases such as dengue and corona virus in the past years. If you have a strong immune system, strong bugs do not make you sick enough to go to the hospital. So, the best way to avoid getting dengue fever would be to boost your immune system by eating a healthy diet, working out every day, and making other positive changes to your life. In fact, sleep under a mosquito net to get a good night's sleep and protect yourself from dengue fever with robust immunity.

2. Decide whether the statements are right or wrong.

0.5×3=1.5

- Now dengue fever is not as formidable as coronavirus.
- Mosquito repellent may help you fight Aedes mosquito.
- Stagnant water in tires, tubes, containers is the best spots to breed aedes mosquitoes.

3. Answer the question as directed.

0.5×4=2

- a) The passage deals with (the origin of aedes mosquitos/severity of aedes mosquitoes/the ways to fight against aedes mosquitoes) [Choose the best answer from the alternatives]
- b) Exclusion from consideration. (Choose a word from the passage for this expression)
- c) "Changing out water-filled bowls" (Explain the expression).
- d) Make a sentence with "get disrupted".

4. Complete the sentences with suitable words from the passage.

0.5×3=1.5

- a) Aedes mosquitoes _____ dengue virus to human beings.
- b) Mosquitoes _____ helps to reduce the dengue virus infection.
- c) Nothing but a mosquito _____ can ensure good sleep at night and protect from dengue fever.

5. Answer the questions as per directions.

1×2=2

- a) What is the apparent symptom of dengue fever?
- b) Mention a hidden truth about Aedes mosquito.

Section B: Grammar Part

6. Answer the questions according to the directions.

1×5=5

- a. Hardest hit by the high temperature and the drought was/ were the cause of farmers' agony. (show the correct subject -verb agreement)
- b. If someone had not mentioned her name, I hardly think I (recognize) her. (Apply right form of verb)
- c. Her face along with her eyes were less radiant than the full moon. (Correct the sentence if it is incorrect)
- d. When it was daylight, I (awaken) by the sound of chopping. (Use right form of verb).
- e. The orphan boy is going to be take care of. (Is the sentence correct? If not, correct the sentence)

Section-C: Writing part

7. Answer any one of the following

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Write a paragraph on the topic sentence given below:

Incessant rainfall in Chattogram has paralyzed the city life for days.

Or

Recently SSC results have been published. Rafi has got A+ from a famous school in the city this year. Not only he but also his parents are very glad. His relatives and neighbors are celebrating his brilliant result. Yet his father and mother are worried(Expand these sentences into a complete story)

8. Speaking test. (To be taken by the concerned teacher in a convenient time.

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