

Syllabus for Special Preparatory Examination, 2020

Class X

Subject: English, Paper One

Reading

1. MCQ from seen comprehension (Unit 11 – 14)	$1 \times 7 = 07$
2. Answering question	$2 \times 5 = 10$
3. Gap filling (from seen comprehension Unit 11 – 14)	$1 \times 5 = 05$
4. Rearranging	$1 \times 8 = 08$
5. Writing from graph/chart	10
6. Writing informal letters	10

Time: 1:30 hour

Total 50,

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Read the passage and answer the questions 1 & 2:

The advantages of the Internet technology have made a good number of web sites to emerge to facilitate social relations among people around the world. These are known as social networking services or social networks.

At present, Facebook is the *most popular*. Google+, Twitter, LinkedIn, etc. are other frequently used social services.

Social network services are web-based and hence, provide ways for the users to interact through the Internet. *These services* make it possible to connect people sharing interests and activities across the borders and thus *have made a lot for the users to feel that they really live in a global village*.

Why are social networks expanding so fast? The answer is simple. Most of the social services are cost-free. You can make use of them free, paying a very little to your Internet service provider. *Secondly*, you can make your personal profile public before the entire online community. It is like presenting yourself before the entire world. You can also look into other people's profile if you are interested. It is simple and easy.

Thirdly, social networks allow users to upload pictures, multimedia contents and modify the profile. Some services like Facebook allow users to update their profiles.

Fourthly, networks allow users to post blog entries. User profiles have a section dedicated to comments from friends and other users. *Finally*, there are privacy protection measures too. A user himself or herself decides over the number of visitors/viewers, and what information should be shared with others

1. Choose the correct answer from the following alternatives.

1 × 7 = 7

a. Which of the following has the closest meaning of the word 'interest' in the passage?

- i) profit ii) curiosity iii) affair iv) activity

b. What does the expression 'web-based' mean?

- i) internet technology ii) using the world wide web
iii) global communication iv) social network

c. What is the similarity between Google + and LinkedIn?

- i) Both of them are internet service provider ii) Both of them have same popularity
iii) Both of them are social networking sites. iv) Both a & b.

d. Social networking sites are based on —.

- i) Face book ii) blog post iii) internet iv) personal profile

e. Which of the following statements is false?

- i) Google+ is more popular than Face book. ii) The world has become a global village nowadays.
iii) Friends can comment on other friends' posts. iv) both ii & iii

f. Social networks connect people —.

- i) living in a society ii) all over the globe iii) outside the world iv) living in their respective country

g. Which of the following is the closest synonym of the word 'frequently'?

- i) regularly ii) recurrently iii) commonly iv) repeatedly

2. Answer the following questions.

2 × 5 = 10

- a. Do social networks provide privacy protection measures? How?
- b. What's the reason behind the development of social relation among people?
- c. "They really live in a global village". How?
- d. Why are social networks so popular nowadays?
- e. What is Internet technology? Why is it so important?

3. Read the following text and fill in the gaps with a suitable word based on the information of the text.

1 × 5 = 5

Let's imagine a citizen's ordinary day at work. The morning probably starts with a cup of coffee/tea, followed by greeting the colleagues. Then comes the inevitable, which is logging in the computer. For many of us, the third step has become an automatic behaviour and it dominates the rest of our work day, receiving and sending dozens of emails.

An email is an electronic mail. It is a computer-aided way of exchanging digital text messages from a sender to one or multiple recipient/s. Emails operate through a network of computers linked by the Internet. There are commercial server agencies such as Yahoo, Gmail, Ymail, Hotmail etc. that accept the text message from the sender, forward it and deliver instantly to the digital mailbox of the recipient. If the recipient is not online, the message is stored and delivered later when the recipient is online. It works instantly just with the click of your mouse. It has been a powerful communication tool in modern life.

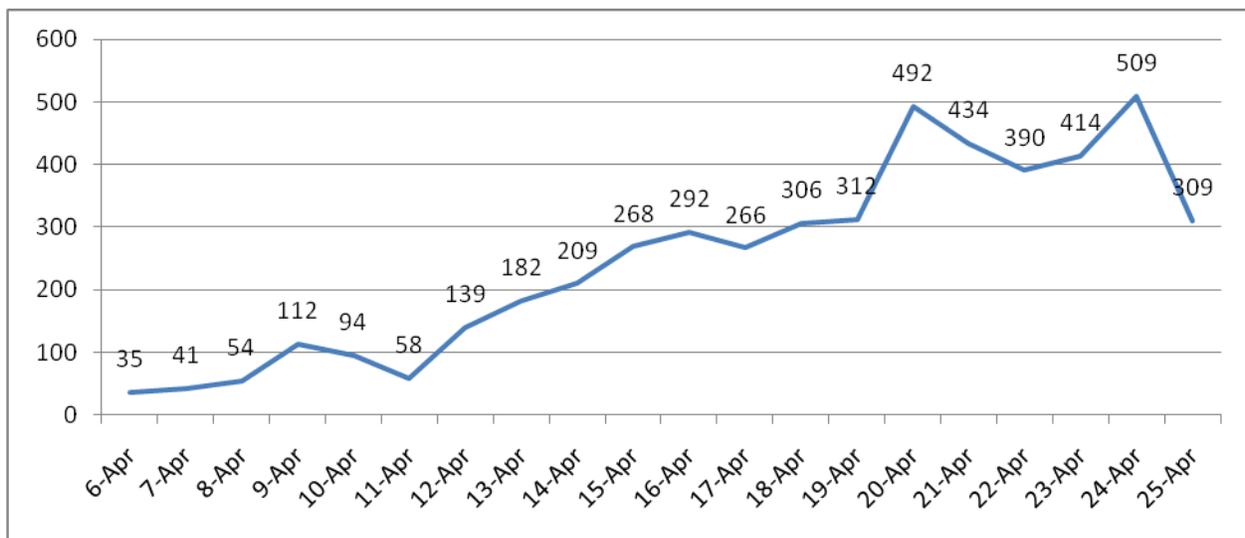
Question:

Modern life is almost impossible (a) — computer. Computer has now become a part of our (b) — life. Computer (c) — most of our daily activities. Everyday we (d) — lots of emails by computer. There is no doubt that emails have become an (e) — communication tool in modern days.

4. Put the following parts of the story in correct order to make the whole story. 1 × 8 = 8

- a) One of them started picking the dog’s tail.
- b) Both the crows went near the dog.
- c) The dog dropped the bone and looked at the crow.
- d) Once, a dog was eating a bony piece of meat under a tree.
- e) The dog not only felt disturbed but also became angry.
- f) It flew away, and after sometime, returned with another crow.
- g) A crow saw him and wished to eat that.
- h) In the mean time, the other crow flew away with the bone.

5. The following chart shows the new cases of Covid 19 in Bangladesh in April. Now describe the major trend of the chart in your own words within 150 words. 10



6. Suppose your younger brother is a good student but he does not take part in any co-curricular activity. However, co-curricular activities play a great role in shaping the future of a student. Now write a letter to your brother advising him to take part in co-curricular activities of his school. 10