

**Special Test**  
**Class: Eight**  
**Subject: English**

**Time: 1:20 Hours**

**Full Marks: 50**

**Part-B: Unseen Part**

**Read the following text carefully and answer the questions 1 and 2.**

The greatest dramatist of English literature named Shakespeare was born and died on the same date. It was on the 23<sup>rd</sup> April, 1564 when he was born at Stratford-on-Avon. This is why he called the 'Bard of Avon'. He wrote 37 plays and 154 sonnets. They spread fames to his unrivalled knowledge of human nature and the sympathy and understanding with which he painted almost every type and class of character.

In his poems, the poet's love of nature has found an eloquent expression as has an undertone, his deep concern for the limitations of human society. In the rough weather, nature has no particular enmity towards man and it treats all equally.

- 1. Complete the following table below. Write no more than three words and/or numbers for each answer.** 1×5=5

<b>Events</b>	<b>Where/How many</b>	<b>Time/What</b>
Shakespeare was born	(i) _	on 23 <sup>rd</sup> April
He is called		(ii) _
(iii) _	154	sonnets
He wrote	(iv) _	plays
He died		(v) _

- 2. Read the passage again and write whether the following statements are true or false. Write correct answers if the statements are false.** 1×5=5

- (a) Shakespeare loved nature very much.
- (b) He was the dramatist of the 16<sup>th</sup> century.
- (c) He wrote 164 sonnets.
- (d) His name and fame is still unrivalled.
- (e) He was born in the UK.

**Part-C: Grammar Part**

- 3. Read the text below and fill in the gaps with the root words in the brackets adding suitable suffix, prefix or both.** 0.5×10=5

We are living in a (a) — (democrat) country. We have many (b) — (achieve) though we live in (c) — (poor).The country is gradually advancing towards (d) — (prosper). But observing hartal has become a bad political culture in our country. It harms economy and causes a great suffering to the (e) — (political) people. We should give up the practice of hartal for our own interest. (f) — (die) of political (g) — (active) and (h) — (innocence) passers-by fall a victim to death because of (i) — (vandal) attacks and counter attacks by the (j) — (extreme).

**4. Change the following sentences as directed in the brackets.** 1×5

- (a) We call English an international language. (Make it a Passive Sentence)
- (b) It is spoken all over the world. (Make it an Active Voice)
- (c) By learning English, we can prosper. (Make it a Negative Sentence)
- (d) It is very necessary for us. (Make it an Exclamatory Sentence)
- (e) We cannot but learn English. (Make it an Affirmative Sentence)

**5. Change the narrative style of the following text:** 5

Sabina said to Jehad, "Happy birthday to you. You are looking very smart." "Thanks for your appreciation", said Jehad. "Where is Maliha? Won't she come?" "Sorry, she has gone to hospital with her mother," she replied. "But Why?" he asked. "She fell on the road and lost sense," said Sabina. "Let's go to the hospital", said Jehad.

**6. Use capital letters and punctuation marks as needed in the following passage.** 5

our school garden looks so beautiful that everyone admires it istiak told his mother one day would you like to see it too yes I would istiaks mother replied

#### **Part-D: Writing Part**

7. Suppose, you are Limon/Lima and chatting with your friend Rumi/Ruma.  
**Write a dialogue between you and your friend about the importance of physical exercise.** 10

**8. Write a paragraph of 150 words on "Early Rising".** 10