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## ENGLISH COMPULSORY HSSC-I

### SECTION – A (Marks 20)

**Time allowed: 25 Minutes**

**NOTE:-** Section-A is compulsory and comprises pages 1–2. All parts of this section are to be answered on the question paper itself. It should be completed in the first 25 minutes and handed over to the Centre Superintendent. Deleting/overwriting is not allowed. Do not use lead pencil.

**Q. 1** Circle the correct option i.e. A / B / C / D. Each part carries one mark.

- (i) How old was Jess's father? (Clearing in the Sky)
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| A. 60 years | B. 50 years |
| C. 70 years | D. 80 years |
- (ii) What carried away the people and all their belongings in the story 'The Piece of String'?
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| A. An earthquake  | B. A great flood |
| C. A fierce storm | D. A hurricane   |
- (iii) In the poem 'The Rain' who was sitting under the tree?
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| A. The poet | B. A poor man |
| C. A bird   | D. A dog      |
- (iv) Which year was Ahmed Nadeem Qasmi born in?
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| A. 1916 A.D | B. 1917 A.D |
| C. 1918 A.D | D. 1919 A.D |
- (v) What was the name of Clay's sister? (The Oyster and the Pearl)
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| A. Roxanna   | B. Victoria |
| C. Elizabeth | D. Huella   |
- (vi) How old was the second man in the play 'Heat Lightning'?
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| A. 35 years | B. 30 years |
| C. 25 years | D. 40 years |
- (vii) 'She walked through the woods and found an interesting fossil', is a \_\_\_\_\_
- A. Simple sentence  
B. Compound sentence  
C. Complex sentence  
D. Compound complex sentence
- (viii) "Almost all the spectators appreciated the game of our team."  
The underlined word is a/an \_\_\_\_\_
- A. Adjective of number  
B. Demonstrative adjective  
C. Descriptive adjective  
D. Quantitative adjective
- (ix) 'A rolling stone gathers no moss'. The underlined word is a/an \_\_\_\_\_
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| A. Gerund     | B. Infinitive    |
| C. Participle | D. None of these |

- (x) On hearing the bad news the lady passed \_\_\_\_\_.  
 A. Away B. Out  
 C. Off D. Through
- (xi) What is the correct synonym of "Rogue"?  
 A. Gentle B. Considerate  
 C. Wicked D. Compassionate
- (xii) "The readers are sure to enjoy these parables as food for thought".  
 What does the underlined word mean?  
 A. Moral stories B. Adventurous tales  
 C. Prose description D. Travelogue
- (xiii) Choose the correct sentence:  
 A. The Principal with his wife and children are coming.  
 B. The Principal with his wife and children coming.  
 C. The Principal with his wife and children to come.  
 D. The Principal with his wife and children is coming.
- (xiv) 'Absence of faith is worse than slavery'. The verb in the sentence is a/an \_\_\_\_\_.  
 A. Helping verb B. Transitive verb  
 C. Linking verb D. Intransitive verb
- (xv) "They came in quick succession" means \_\_\_\_\_.  
 A. They came quickly one after the other.  
 B. They succeeded to come quickly.  
 C. They had long time to come.  
 D. Their coming was a success.
- (xvi) "We gave him a bunch of flowers on his wedding". Which of the following words can exactly replace the underlined expression?  
 A. Garland B. Twig  
 C. Wreath D. Bouquet
- (xvii) Choose the **CORRECT** spelling.  
 A. Curiosity B. Cuiriosity  
 C. Curoisity D. Courisity
- (xviii) "Down fell the brown water fall" means:  
 A. The stream flowed down  
 B. The brown water-fall fell down  
 C. Della's hair fell down  
 D. The brown water fell down
- (xix) The girl was coming from \_\_\_\_\_. (Refer to the play 'Heat Lightning')  
 A. The party B. Tour  
 C. A hill station D. A station
- (xx) "He composed a symphony". What does the underlined word mean?  
 A. Song B. Dancing tune  
 C. Musical composition D. Chorus

For Examiner's use only:

Total Marks:

20

Marks Obtained:

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# ENGLISH COMPULSORY HSSC-I

Time allowed: 2:35 Hours

Total Marks Sections B and C: 80

NOTE:- Sections 'B' and 'C' comprise pages 1-2 and questions therein are to be answered on the separately provided answer book. Answer all the questions from Section 'B' and Section 'C'. Use supplementary answer sheet i.e. Sheet-B if required. Write your answers neatly and legibly.

## SECTION – B (Marks 40)

Q. 2 Attempt ALL the questions in about 40 to 50 words each.

- (i) Briefly describe the central idea of the story, 'Button, Button'. 04
- (ii) Why had the old man planted his secret garden? 04
- (iii) How was the summer on Mars as the writer describes it? 04
- (iv) Why did the woman ask the boy to wash his face? 04
- (OR)
- Why do people fail in life? (The Reward)
- (v) How did the girl attack the doctor? (The Use of Force) 04
- (vi) What is the significance of the title of the story "A Mild Attack of Locusts"? 04
- (OR)
- What does the author like about Christmas? (The Angel and the Author and Others)
- (vii) Why did the people in the story 'Overcoat' come out on the Mall? 04
- (OR)
- Why did Della feel sad on losing her hair?

Q. 3 A. Read the following stanza carefully and answer the questions given at the end:

Watching her cross erect  
Stones, garbage, excrement and crumbs  
Of glass in the Karachi slums,  
I, with my stoop, reflect:  
They stand most straight  
Who learn to walk beneath a weight.

### Questions:

- (i) What does the Sindhi woman walk over in the Karachi slums? 02  
Why do you think her feet do not get hurt?
- (ii) What does the poet say about his own condition and why? 02
- (iii) What conclusion does the poet arrive at about the Sindhi woman and people like himself? 02

(OR)

And when the sky begins to roar,  
It's like a lion at the door.  
And when the door begins to crack,  
It's like a stick across your back.

### Questions:

- (i) What does the poet mean by the roaring of the sky? 02
- (ii) Who is the lion at the door? Describe briefly. 02
- (iii) What is it that, in your opinion, causes the door to crack and what is done to the talkative man? 02

B. Answer the following question in about 60 to 75 words:

What is the theme of the poem 'Ozymandias'.

(OR)

What is the moral lesson of the poem 'In Broken Images'?

**SECTION – C (Marks 40)**

Note:- Attempt ALL the questions.

Q. 4 Answer the following questions in 50 to 60 words each:

- (i) Describe the conflict in the play "Heat Lightning". 05  
(ii) Where does the play "The Oyster and the Pearl" take place? Explain. 05  
(iii) The play, "Visit to a Small Planet" shows that the people of the 21st century are still in the beginning. Explain how. 05

Q. 5 A. Use any FOUR of the following phrasal verbs in sentences: 04

- (i) Bring about (ii) Cut down  
(iii) Find out (iv) Keep on  
(v) Point out (vi) Make out

B. Use the correct form of the verbs in parenthesis in any FOUR of the following sentences: 04

- (i) She (study) now.  
(ii) Falsehood never (succeed).  
(iii) Now she (be) my friend while you are not.  
(iv) Yesterday the hall (decorate).  
(v) She told me that she (be) happy.  
(vi) I wished I (meet) the minister.

C. Punctuate the following line(s) / paragraph: 04

life is like a race jorkens went on in which they tire after a while and sit down or get interested in something else instead the man who keeps on wins the race

Q. 6 Write an application to the General Manager Northern Sui Gas Company for a gas connection. 08

Q. 7 Translate the following passage into English: 05

ہندوستانی مسلمانوں نے ۱۸۵۷ء میں انگریزوں کی حکومت کو ختم کرنے کی ناکام کوشش کی۔ جنگ آزادی نہ تو سپاہیوں کی بغاوت تھی اور نہ غدر بلکہ ہندوستانی عوام نے اس میں بڑھ چڑھ کر حصہ لیا تھا۔ اس جنگ آزادی میں ہندو اور مسلمان دونوں شریک تھے۔ لیکن اس کی ناکامی کے بعد انگریزوں نے صرف مسلمانوں کو ہی ظلم و ستم کا نشانہ بنایا۔ مسلمان اپنی کھوئی ہوئی حکومت اور عظمت بحال کرنے کے خواہاں تھے۔

(OR)

Write a paragraph on "Democracy".