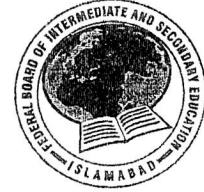


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Answer Sheet No. \_\_\_\_\_

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Section - A is compulsory. All parts of this section are to be answered on this page and handed over to the Centre Superintendent. Deleting/overwriting is not allowed. Do not use lead pencil.

**ENGLISH**  
**COMPULSORY SSC-II**  
**SECTION - A (Marks 15)**  
**Time allowed: 20 Minutes**

حصہ اول لازمی ہے۔ اس کے جوابات اسی صفحہ پر دے کر ناظم مرکز کے حوالے کریں۔ کاٹ کر دوبارہ لکھنے کی اجازت نہیں ہے۔ لیز پینسل کا استعمال ممنوع ہے۔

ہر سوال کے سامنے دیے گئے درست دائرہ کو پر کریں۔

Fill the relevant bubble against each question:

- Faraz is a giant in his class, towering a foot over his classmates. The sentence means:  Faraz is short  Faraz is tiny  Faraz is heavy  Faraz is tall
- Clock is to time as ruler is to:  Mile  Length  Angle  Space
- The child is gaining maturity. The underlined word is:  Abstract noun  Concrete noun  Proper noun  Collective noun
- I met him at \_\_\_\_\_ mosque. Choose the correct article to complete the sentence.  A  An  The  No article required
- I \_\_\_\_\_ up every day at five o'clock  Get  Gets  Getting  Got
- The young boy \_\_\_\_\_ the car rashly yesterday. Choose the correct form of verb to complete the sentence.  Driving  Drove  Driven  Drived
- There is little time for preparation. The underlined word is:  Verb  Adverb  Adjective  Noun
- The earth revolves around the sun. The sentence is an example of:  Simple sentence  Compound sentence  Complex sentence  Compound complex sentence
- Alas! She is dead. Which kind of sentence is this?  Declarative  Interrogative  Exclamatory  Imperative
- 'She seldom asks me to help her'. Which type of adverb is used in the given sentence?  Manner  Frequency  Degree  Time
- The cat jumped \_\_\_\_\_ the chair. Choose the correct preposition to complete the sentence.  About  Through  Beneath  Off
- She \_\_\_\_\_ studying in England before she came to Pakistan. Choose the correct form of verb to complete the sentence.  Is  Will be  Have  Had been
- She had done the exercise. Which tense has been used in the given sentence?  Present Perfect  Past Perfect  Simple Past  Past Perfect Continuous
- After the trip, I feel, I am the \_\_\_\_\_ boy on earth.  Lucky  Luckiest  Luckier  More lucky
- The birds chirp beautifully. The underlined is an adverb of:  Place  Time  Manner  Frequency



# ENGLISH COMPULSORY SSC-II

Time allowed: 2:40 Hours

Total Marks Sections B and C: 60

NOTE:- Answer all the questions from Sections 'B' and 'C' on the separately provided answer book. Use supplementary answer sheet i.e. Sheet-B if required. Write your answers neatly and legibly.

## SECTION - B (Marks 36)

Q. 2 Read the following passage carefully and answer any FIVE questions including Question No. (i) appended to it.

Note: Question No. (i) about summary writing is compulsory carrying 06 marks while rest of the question carry 03 marks each. (6 + 4x3= 18)

Newspapers do not require us to sit at a place and read the news. Busy people may read the papers anytime of the day. They may read the news that is important to them early in the morning, and carry the paper with them to read in the bus or van. They may also choose to omit certain aspects of the news that they are not interested in.

Television on the other hand, requires its viewers to be at a certain place, at a certain time in order to watch and listen to the news. If they are busy people, they will miss the news. They cannot choose to read it on the move or throughout the day. They cannot even choose which piece of news they wish to skip. One way could be to record it and watch it later. But the point here is that it is not that convenient.

Television brings laziness in us. We can view the news with a little or no effort since it is practically a form of entertainment. If we have the leisure time, we can view the television news anytime of the day and night. It broadcasts the news as it is happening. Much mastery of language is not necessary for the person who prefers to view the news on television because everything is visual and auditory. A person with a basic knowledge of the broadcast language will be able to view and understand it. In comparison, the reader of a newspaper needs to be proficient in the language in order to understand it better.

### Questions:

- (i) Summarize the given passage. Also give a suitable title to it. (Compulsory)
- (ii) What are the advantages of reading newspaper? 7
- (iii) What are disadvantages of watching television?
- (iv) Explain the role of language if you watch television instead of reading newspaper.
- (v) How does television make us lazy?
- (vi) What do you prefer, reading newspaper or watching television, if you need to get news?
- (vii) Write down the synonyms of any three of the underlined words.

Q. 3 A. Paraphrase any ONE of the following stanzas: (02)

I. 'Tis a lesson you should heed---  
 Try again;  
 If at first you don't succeed,  
 Try again;  
 Then your courage should appear;  
 For in you will persevere,  
 You will conquer, never fear,  
 Try again.

OR

II. Look them over, the wise and great  
 They take their food from a common plate  
 And similar knives and forks they use,  
 With similar laces they tie their shoes,  
 The world considers, them brave and smart,  
 But you've all they had when they made their start.

B. Read the following poem/stanza carefully and answer the questions appended to it:

I. Hold fast to dreams  
 For if dreams die  
 Life is broken-winged bird  
 That cannot fly.  
 Hold fast to dreams  
 For when dreams go  
 Life is barren field  
 Frozen with snow

### Questions:

- (i) Write down the theme of the poem. (02)
- (ii) What happens when dreams die? (02)

OR

II. And when the sun comes out,  
 After this rain shall stop,  
 A wondrous light will fill  
 Each dark, round drop;  
 I hope the sun shines bright;  
 It will be a lovely sight.

**Questions:**

- (i) Write down the moral lesson the poet is conveying in the stanza. (02)  
 (ii) What happens when the sun comes out after rain? (02)

**Q. 4 A. Fill in blanks with appropriate form of the verbs given in the brackets. (04)**

- (i) The river \_\_\_\_\_ (flow) under the bridge.  
 (ii) I \_\_\_\_\_ (write) the letter before he arrived.  
 (iii) I \_\_\_\_\_ (not go) out if it rains.  
 (iv) He \_\_\_\_\_ (sleep) for five hours.

**B. Change the FOUR bold sentences into indirect speech: (04)**

'My sons, a great treasure lies in the estate and I am about to leave you', said the old man. 'Where is it hidden?' said the sons. 'I'm about to leave you,' said the old man, 'but you must dig for it'

**C. Do as directed (any FOUR) of the following: (04)**

- (i) The headmaster wants to speak to you. (Change into negative)  
 (ii) She left the school last year. (Change into interrogative)  
 (iii) You go into the room (Change into imperative)  
 (iv) The light went out while I was reading. (Change into negative)  
 (v) Were we listening to the radio all evening? (Change into affirmative)  
 (vi) She seems sad. (Change into interrogative)

**SECTION - C (Marks 24)**

**Q. 5 Write a letter to the editor of a newspaper regarding begging on the road signals. (08)**

**OR**

Write an application to the managing director of a firm for the post of an accountant.

**Q. 6. Describe a day at school, using appropriate/correct transitional devices (at least six) for connecting your ideas logically in paragraph. (06)**

**Q. 7. Write an essay on any ONE of the following topics: (200-250 words) (10)**

Choice of Future Career

**OR**

The Role of Social Media in Our Life

**OR**

Sports and Games