



# ENGLISH COMPULSORY HSSC-I

## SECTION – A (Marks 20)

Time allowed: 25 Minutes

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**Note:** Section – A is compulsory. All parts of this section are to be answered on the separately provided OMR Answer Sheet which 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 Choose the correct answer A / B / C / D by filling the relevant bubble for each question on the OMR Answer Sheet according to the instructions given there. Each part carries one mark.
- Della's hair fell about her shining like: (Refer to the story – The Gift of Magi)  
A. A Falling stream                      B. Moonlight  
C. Glittering rain drops                  D. Twilight
  - It is stated that a bird in hand is worth two in the bush. The underlined phrase is a/an:  
A. Verb phrase                              B. Adjective phrase  
C. Noun phrase                                D. Adverb phrase
  - They say that Abdul Sattar Edhi was a renowned humanist of the country. The underlined pronoun is a/an:  
A. Impersonal pronoun                      B. Demonstrative pronoun  
C. Definite pronoun                            D. Indefinite pronoun
  - Bittering family came over \_\_\_\_\_ million miles.  
A. Sixty                      B. Seventy                      C. Forty                      D. Fifty
  - General Powers is of the view that Alien is sent on the earth with the purpose of:  
A. Reformation                              B. Learning human weakness  
C. Invasion                                      D. Investigation
  - Ozymandias by P. B. Shelley teaches us that:  
A. Pride hath a fall  
B. We should always respect powerful people  
C. We should bow before proud rulers  
D. Statues never die
  - His knowledge of many languages elevated him among his companions. The underlined word is a/an:  
A. Proper noun                      B. Collective noun                      C. Material noun                      D. Abstract noun
  - How did the youngman treat the lean white cat that rubbed against his legs? (Refer to the story – Overcoat)  
A. He stroked it and it leapt up                      B. Threw it into the mud  
C. With love and compassion                      D. With hate and indifference
  - The First man asked the girl to report the whole incident to the police station because he wanted: (Refer to the play – Heat Lightning)  
A. To put her in trouble                      B. To divert her attention  
C. To win her confidence                      D. To send her away
  - I am determined to increase my wealth by managing a small business. The underlined word is a/an:  
A. Participle                                      B. Gerundial Infinitive  
C. Gerund    D. Infinitive
  - Choose the correct spellings:  
A. Proflagate                      B. Profligate                      C. Proflegate                      D. Profligate
  - "A Tale of Two Cities" has been written by:  
A. T.S Eliot                      B. John Peter                      C. John Donne                      D. W.H. Auden
  - The doctor in "The Use of Force" grounded his teeth in anger because: (Refer to – The Use of Force)  
A. She had reduced his wooden Spatula to pieces  
B. The mother told the girl that "He would not disturb you"  
C. The girl was non-cooperative  
D. She had knocked his glasses
  - The parents gave consent to the king to kill their son because they: (Refer to the story – The Gulistan of Sadi)  
A. Wanted to get rid of their son                      B. Longed for reputation  
C. Were afraid of the king                      D. Needed money
  - Clay, his father and mother picked cotton in the \_\_\_\_\_ country before they moved to O.K.-by-the-Sea. (Refer to the play – The Oyster and The Pearl)  
A. Advanced                      B. Kern                      C. Abbot                      D. Marshy
  - All the promising guests waited patiently at the railway station. The underlined verb in the given sentence is:  
A. Intransitive                      B. Modal                      C. Transitive                      D. Auxiliary
  - When consciousness returned, the bewildered victim inquired: (Refer to the lesson – The Foolish Quack)  
A. "Did I humiliate you?"                      B. "Why, Sir, this cruel usage?"  
C. "Why did you persecute me?"                      D. "What was my blunder?"
  - You have been the Veterans of Creative sufferings means that you have been: (Refer to the story – I Have a Dream)  
A. Vanguard of the country                      B. Army personnel  
C. Experienced soldiers of intellectual sufferings                      D. Assets of the nation
  - Ranks broken, hearts perplexed, prayers cold. The underline word means: (Refer to the poem – Ruba'iyat)  
A. Petrified                      B. Disturbed                      C. Jubilant                      D. Glorified
  - The brave soldiers rushed into the battle field and forced the enemy to flight. It is a:  
A. Complex sentence                      B. Multiple sentence  
C. Simple sentence                      D. Compound sentence



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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** Answer ALL the questions in about 40 to 50 words each.

(7 x 4 = 28)

- (i) What were the causes of confrontation between **Norma** and Arthur? (Refer to the story – Button Button)
- (ii) How did the old man feel about the land? (Refer to the story – Clearing in the Sky)
- (iii) What was the effect of the behaviour of the woman on the boy? (Refer to the story – Thank you, M'am)
- (iv) What were the arrangements made for the function of inauguration? (Refer to the story – The Reward)

(OR)

Write a note on the character of Nushirvan. (Refer to the story – The Gulistan of Sadi)

- (v) What was the punishment inflicted upon the quack by the villagers? (Refer to the story – The Foolish Quack)
- (vi) Write a few lines on racial discrimination (Refer to the story – I Have a Dream)

(OR)

How much were Jim and Della attached to each other? (Refer to the story – The Gift of Magi)

- (vii) What moral lesson do you get after reading "God be Praised"?

(OR)

Write down the good deeds, the author has admitted are a great joy on Christmas. (Refer to the story – The Angel and The Author – and Others)

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

But how much great were they  
Who bore the pains of the black day  
"Ashes are not merely the waste  
They can really create the great."

**Questions:**

- (i) What does the poet mean by the black day? 02
- (ii) How do ashes create something great and valuable? 02
- (iii) Write two rhyming words for waste, great. 02

(OR)

And since to look at things in bloom  
Fifty Springs are little room,  
About the woodland I will go  
To see the cherry hung with snow

**Questions:**

- (i) Why does A.E Housman believe that fifty springs are insufficient to enjoy the beauty of nature? 02
- (ii) Why does the poet long for visiting woodland time and again? 02
- (iii) Write two rhyming words for bloom, snow. 02

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

**06**

"The Feed" by Ahmed Nadeem Qasmi revolves around humanism, equality and brotherhood. Discuss.

**(OR)**

Evaluate "Night Mail" by W.H. Auden in your own words.

**SECTION – C (Marks 40)**

**Note:** Attempt ALL the questions.

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

**(3 x 5 = 15)**

- (i) How did the girl in Heat Lightning realize the truth at last?
- (ii) "Visit to a Small Planet" by Core Vidal Compares and Contrasts the people of two planets. How?
- (iii) What efforts does Clay make in the 'Oyster and the Pearl' to bring his father back?

**Q. 5 A. Use any FOUR of the following Phrasal Verbs in sentences:**

**04**

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|----------------|------------------|-----------------------|
| (i) Put down   | (ii) Wrapped out | (iii) Stumble through |
| (iv) Break out | (v) Hit upon     | (vi) Look at          |

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

**04**

- (i) I wish I (be) a great scholar.
- (ii) One's promise must be (keep) by one.
- (iii) I have been (wait) for you since morning.
- (iv) The gardener will have (pluck) flowers.
- (v) She had (finish) her homework.
- (vi) If you speak the truth, you (succeed) in life.

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

**04**

good evening sir he said can I help you sir no thank you, the youngman said with an air of indifference.

**Q. 6 Write an application to the SSP (Police) requesting him to ensure law and order situation in your area.**

**08**

**Q. 7 Translate the following passage into English:**

**05**

اگر تمام انسان پیار و محبت کے زیر سایہ زندگی بسر کرنا شروع کر دیں تو ہماری دنیا جنت بن جائے گی۔ سب لوگ اپنے مسائل، رنج اور جھگڑے افہام و تفہیم سے حل کرنا شروع کر دیں گے۔ ہمارا ملک امن، ترقی اور خوشحالی کی راہ پر گامزن ہو جائے گا۔

**(OR)**

Write a paragraph on "Democracy"