



IBA (DU) MBA Admission Test

INSTRUCTIONS: Please Read Carefully!

Booklet No - 0001

1. The test is divided into two parts: **Part I: Multiple Choice Questions (MCQ)** and **Part II: Written Ability**.

2. The total duration of the test is 120 minutes. **The Answer Sheet for MCQs will be collected after 90 minutes.**

3. **On the Answer Sheet**, use a pen to fill in your **Admit Number, Test Booklet Number, Name, and Signature** in the designated spaces. Darken the corresponding number boxes below the grids using a pen.

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5. Record all answers on the Answer Sheet by fully darkening the letter corresponding to your chosen answer. Ensure the letter is completely obscured. **Use a pen only.**

(A) (B) (C) ● (E)

6. Any rough work should be done on the test booklet itself, **except in areas reserved for written answers and this cover page**. There is an allocated rough page in the end of the booklet.

7. A penalty of 25% of the assigned marks will be applied for each incorrect MCQ response. Unanswered questions will receive zero marks.

8. Candidates must achieve a **minimum qualifying score in each section and each part of the test**.

9. The use of calculators or any other electronic devices is strictly prohibited.

10. Remain seated and maintain silence until you are instructed to leave.

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Part I – Multiple Choice Questions (70*1=70 Marks)

Section 1 – English Language (25*1=25 Marks)

Instructions: Questions 1 to 5 are passage-based blank completions. Choose the option that best completes each blank, maintaining the passage's overall coherence and meaning.

Critics of phenomenology have pointed out that Husserl and other phenomenologists _____(1) thought that language was a transparent system that reflected reality, though this belief has been strongly _____(2) by linguists and deconstructionist philosophers. This means, they argue, that even if phenomenology gives access to an encounter with the "essence" of a given art object, this encounter could never be _____(3) to others in speech or writing without distortion or filtration of meaning. In response to this criticism, theater and performance scholars have _____(4) their methodology, citing later phenomenologists like Maurice Merleau-Ponty, whose work focuses on the importance of the body in forming consciousness, and _____(5) the reductive formulations of Husserl.

1. a) intuitively b) simplistically c) naïvely d) skeptically e) none of these
2. a) discredited b) vindicated c) debunked d) substantiated e) none of these
3. a) transposed b) simplified c) transformed d) conveyed e) none of these
4. a) adopted b) revised c) designed d) unstudied e) none of these
5. a) disavowing b) propagating c) ennobling d) coddling e) none of these

Instructions: Questions 6 to 10 are sentence correction questions. In each question, select the option that best improves the underlined part of the sentence while maintaining proper grammar, clarity, and meaning.

6. Most corporate policies now require that employees submit their timesheets on time each month.

- (A) require that employees submit their timesheets
- (B) require employees to submit their timesheets
- (C) require that employees will submit their timesheets
- (D) have a requirement for submitting timesheets
- (E) have a requirement to submit timesheets

7. The vocal range of a soprano allows her to sing notes as high as C6; the lowest notes of a bass, however, are inaudible to her because their frequency—65 Hz—is too low to be detected by her ear.

- (A) the lowest notes of a bass, however, are inaudible to her because their frequency—65 Hz—is too low to be detected by her ear
- (B) however, the frequency of the lowest bass notes—65 Hz—is too low to be detected by her ear, making them inaudible
- (C) the lowest notes of a bass, however, are inaudible because their frequency—65 Hz—is too low for her ear to detect
- (D) however, because the frequency of the lowest bass notes is 65 Hz, it is too low for her ear to detect and thus inaudible
- (E) however, the lowest bass notes have a frequency of 65 Hz that is too low for her ear to detect, thus making them inaudible

8. The paintings in the gallery, three of which are on loan from a private collection, showcase the evolution of abstract art in the 20th century.

- (A) three of which
- (B) and three that
- (C) including three of who
- (D) three of those that
- (E) three that are

9. According to the Environmental Protection Agency, if you fail to dispose of hazardous waste in a manner as safe as that of non-hazardous waste, it violates federal safety regulations.

- (A) if you fail to dispose of hazardous waste in a manner as safe as that of non-hazardous waste, it
- (B) if one fails to dispose of hazardous waste in a manner as safe as non-hazardous waste, it
- (C) failure to dispose of hazardous waste in a manner as safe as non-hazardous waste
- (D) failure to dispose of hazardous waste as safely as non-hazardous waste
- (E) failing to dispose of hazardous waste as safely as that of non-hazardous waste

10. The rise in pollution levels, coupled with higher levels of deforestation and industrial emissions, are prompting policymakers to reconsider environmental regulations to combat climate change.

- (A) pollution levels, coupled with higher levels of deforestation and industrial emissions, are
- (B) levels of pollution, coupled with significant increases in deforestation and industrial emissions, have been
- (C) pollution levels, coupled with significant increases in both deforestation and industrial emissions, is
- (D) pollution levels, coupled with higher levels of deforestation and industrial emissions, is
- (E) levels of pollution, coupled with significant increases in both deforestation as well as industrial emissions, had been

Instructions: Questions 11 to 15: Based on the following passage, answer the questions by selecting the option that best reflects the meaning or intent of the passage.

Although the environmental initiatives introduced during the 1970s and 1980s were touted as revolutionary, their impact on marginalized communities revealed contradictions inherent in their design. Lisa Brown's analysis of conservation programs in urban areas argues that such initiatives often excluded underprivileged groups by prioritizing corporate partnerships over local participation. Brown emphasizes the significant role played by grassroots community organizations in launching early conservation efforts, efforts that ultimately became sidelined as large-scale programs sought corporate funding and political backing.

In her examination of global environmental movements from the 1970s to the early 2000s, Maria Perez also highlights the marginalization of local communities but contends that these communities succeeded in forming parallel systems of advocacy within larger movements. Perez shows that, despite systemic neglect, grassroots demands remained a persistent theme and played a pivotal role in shaping global environmental policies in the 1990s and early 2000s.

11. According to the passage, Brown's analysis and Perez's study both

- A. focus on the role of corporate partnerships in environmental initiatives
- B. emphasize the contributions of local communities to environmental movements
- C. argue that grassroots organizations influenced early environmental policies
- D. suggest that large-scale conservation programs marginalized grassroots efforts
- E. contend that early environmental initiatives achieved only limited success

12. Which of the following can be inferred about the "contradictions" mentioned in the first sentence of the passage?

- A. They stemmed from the simultaneous inclusion of corporate partnerships and grassroots organizations.
- B. They contributed to the sidelining of community-driven efforts in conservation.
- C. They were resolved by the global environmental movements of the 1990s.
- D. They reflect a growing emphasis on inclusivity within conservation programs.
- E. They undermined the primary goals of global conservation efforts.

13. The primary purpose of the passage is to

- A. evaluate the effectiveness of two environmental movements
- B. contrast two perspectives on the role of grassroots organizations
- C. assess the long-term impact of corporate partnerships in conservation
- D. examine the interplay between local and global conservation efforts
- E. critique the corporate influence on environmental policies

14. Based on the passage, which of the following best characterizes Perez's perspective on grassroots efforts?

- A. Grassroots movements failed to influence larger environmental initiatives.
- B. Despite systemic neglect, grassroots efforts were instrumental in shaping policy.
- C. Corporate partnerships played a critical role in the success of grassroots movements.
- D. Global environmental movements wholly replaced grassroots organizations.
- E. Grassroots efforts were initially impactful but later became irrelevant.

15. The passage suggests which of the following about the global environmental movements of the 1990s?

- A. They were heavily influenced by grassroots demands.
- B. They successfully resolved contradictions in earlier initiatives.
- C. They prioritized corporate partnerships over local advocacy.
- D. They were disconnected from earlier grassroots efforts.
- E. They marked the decline of community-based conservation.

Instructions: For Questions 16 to 18, identify the incorrect usages of words within the given sentences.

16. i) The doctor decided to **prescribe** antibiotics for the patient's condition.

ii) Many authoritarian regimes **prescribe** freedom of speech to maintain control.

iii) The new law seeks to **prescribe** certain activities as unacceptable.

a) I only, b) II only, c) I and II, d) II and III, e) All of these are incorrect

17. i) The politician's egregious behavior was widely criticized in the media.

ii) Jane is known for her egregious personality and enjoys spending time with large groups of friends.

iii) The new software has an egregious flaw that caused major disruptions for users.

a) I only

b) II only

c) I and III

d) II and III

e) All of these are incorrect

18. i) The river was so turgid after the storm that it was impossible to see the bottom.

ii) The professor's lecture was turgid, filled with overly complex language that bored the audience.

iii) The water in the pond became turbid after the construction nearby.

a) I only

b) II only

c) I and III

d) II and III

e) All of these are incorrect

Instructions: For Questions 19 to 20, find the incorrect usages of suffixes in the words provided.

19. A) Industrialism B) Brotherhoodness C) Fragility D) Athleticism E) No Error

20. A) Teacherly B) Courageousness C) Refutable D) Transparently E) No Error

Instructions: For Questions 21 to 22, select the correct usages of prefixes in the words provided.

21. A) Unlogical B) Precondition C) Misapprove D) Overless E) Dishelp

22. A) Reheat B) Irpossible C) Underknow D) Disapprive E) Antiharmonious

Instructions: For Questions 23 to 27, fill in the blanks with the most suitable words from the given options to complete the sentences meaningfully.

23. The scientist's challenge, much like that of an inventor whose early groundbreaking discovery sets a high benchmark, is how to _____ his first widely celebrated breakthroughs with achievements of equal impact and value.

- A. combine
- B. illuminate
- C. realize
- D. amend
- E. follow

24. Initially, many of the ancient myths seem so far-fetched and detached from modern experiences that their _____ is difficult to comprehend.

- A. universality
- B. persistence
- C. appeal
- D. ephemerality
- E. survival

25. The professor's warm introduction may seem to be a minor gesture of goodwill, but it is not without _____ in the previously strained environment of academic conferences.

- A. significance
- B. impertinence
- C. nostalgia
- D. precedent
- E. triviality

26. The purpose of depictions of witches in medieval texts was _____, aimed at warning communities about the dangers of those who deviated from societal norms and practices.

- A. deceptive
- B. didactic
- C. pre-cautious
- D. vengeful
- E. reflective

27. Researchers have observed over 100 unique vocalizations in certain species of birds, a number that seems to _____ the capabilities of many primates: even the highly intelligent chimpanzee can only produce a fraction of such sounds.

- A. approximate
- B. eclipse
- C. reflect
- D. compound
- E. none of these

Instructions: For Questions 28 to 29, identify the errors in the sentences. If no error is found, choose the "No error" option.

28. The success as well as the challenges of the Padma Bridge project (A) has been (B) a matter of discussion for years (C) as various groups (D) debate its impact on the national economy. (E) No error.
29. (A) Having been stuck in a Dhaka traffic jam for five hours (B) during a storm, Arnab is (C) always careful to check the weather and traffic updates (D) before setting out for an important meeting. (E) No error.
30. Many students (A) who successfully use apps like 10 Minute School (B) to improve vocabulary for the Dhaka University admission test (C) find that online platforms (D) provide limited assistance in developing essay-writing skills. (E) No error.

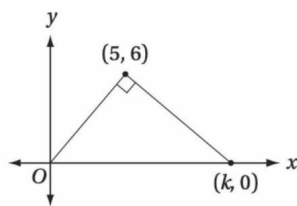
Section 2 – Mathematics (25*1=25 Marks)

31. A cricket fan tosses a coin with the team logos of Bangladesh and India, where there is an equal probability of landing Bangladesh (heads) or India (tails) each time it is flipped. What is the probability that the coin will show Bangladesh's logo exactly twice in 3 consecutive flips?

- A. 0.125
B. 0.25
C. 0.375
D. 0.5
E. 0.666

32. In the figure, a right triangle has vertices at the origin (0,0), at (5,6), and at (k,0). What is the value of k?

- A. $19/3$
B. $58/5$
C. $26/3$
D. $61/5$
E. $37/3$



33. If $f(x+y) = f(x)f(y)$, which of the following can be the value of $f(0)$?

- I. 0
II. 1
III. 2
- A. I only
B. II only
C. III only
D. I and II only
E. I, II, and III

34. The 200 students of class 7 at Dhaka International School raised 80% of the funds needed for a picnic trip to Cox's Bazar. The school donated the remaining 20%. When booking the resort and transport, they received a 10% bulk discount after a 200 BDT processing fee. With the unexpected surplus, the students bought each member of the class one jilapi for 30 BDT and still had 1,800 BDT, which they gave to the bus driver. What was the total cost of the trip?

- A. 4,000 BDT
B. 8,000 BDT
C. 12,000 BDT
D. 16,000 BDT
E. 20,000 BDT

35. Dhaka and Chattogram are 140 kilometers apart. The Mohanagar Provati train departs Dhaka, heading towards Chattogram, at 4:00 PM and travels at 40 kilometers per hour. The Chattola Express train departs Chattogram, heading towards Dhaka, at 4:30 PM and travels at 20 kilometers per hour. The trains travel on parallel tracks. At what time do the two trains meet?

- A. 5:00 PM
- B. 5:30 PM
- C. 6:00 PM
- D. 6:30 PM
- E. 7:00 PM

36. Pran Confectionary Ltd. reported that its gross profit from sales in the Sylhet region is 20% of its total revenue. What percent of the cost is the gross profit?

- A. 20%
- B. 25%
- C. 30%
- D. 35%
- E. None of these

37. Pran RFL manufactures a thin protective layer for their food packaging. If 25 cubic centimeters of material is applied evenly over each square meter of the packaging surface, what is the thickness of the layer in centimeters? (1 meter = 100 centimeters)

- A) 25
- B) 2.5
- C) 0.25
- D) 0.025
- E) 0.0025

38. Rasheda, Nusrat, and Hasan have taught history at a Dhaka school for a combined total of 96 years. If Rasheda has taught for 9 more years than Nusrat and for 9 fewer years than Hasan, for how many years has Hasan taught?

- A) 23
- B) 32
- C) 35
- D) 41
- E) 44

39. In a construction project in Dhaka, 28 male workers can complete a task in 15 days, while 15 female workers can complete the same task in 24 days. What is the ratio of the amount of work done by 30 male workers in 1 day to the amount of work done by 18 female workers in 1 day?

- A) 21 : 50
- B) 3 : 7
- C) 10 : 7
- D) 8 : 3
- E) 3 : 1

40. The equation representing the shape of a plotted region is $4x^2 + 9y^2 = 100$, and the equation representing another condition is $(2x + 3y)^2 = 150$. What is the value of $6xy$?

- A) $5(2 + \sqrt{6})$
- B) $10\sqrt{6}$
- C) 25
- D) 50
- E) 100

41. Nusrat paid a VAT of x percent on her purchase from Swapno. If the VAT rate had been only 2 percent, she would have paid 2,700 BDT less in VAT on her purchase. What was the value of x if the total amount Nusrat paid, including VAT, was 48,600 BDT?

A) 8 B) 7 C) 6 D) 5 E) None of these

42. Rafiq's weight is 140 percent of Mahin's weight. Kabir's weight is 90 percent of Tariq's weight. Tariq weighs twice as much as Mahin. What percentage of Rafiq's weight is Kabir's weight?

A) $64\frac{2}{7}$ B) 77 C) $90\frac{7}{9}$ D) $128\frac{4}{7}$ E) $155\frac{5}{9}$

43. The ratio of Rafiq's coins to Sakib's coins is 3 : 4. If Rafiq's coins exceed $\frac{2}{7}$ of the total coins by 25, how many coins does Sakib have?

A) 50 B) 100 C) 120 D) 150 E) None of these

44. A farmer in Sylhet sells two cows for 165,600 BDT each. He sells one cow at a gain of 20% and the other at a loss of 20%. Does the farmer incur a loss or gain overall, and by what percentage?

A) No loss, no gain
B) 20% profit
C) 4% loss
D) 2% profit
E) 2% loss

45. Two cultural organizations in Dhaka, Club Padma and Club Meghna, have the same number of members. However, the ratio of men to women and the ratio of single women to married women in Club Meghna is twice that of Club Padma. If Club Meghna has 840 members with a ratio of 2:1 men to women, and the ratio of single women to married women is 3:2, how many married women are there in both clubs combined?

A) 700
B) 352
C) 348
D) 317
E) 240

46. Hasan drives to and from his workplace in Rajshahi every day along the same route. On the way to work, he drives at a speed of 80 kilometers per hour, and on the way back, he drives at a speed of 100 kilometers per hour. What is Hasan's average speed in kilometers per hour for the round trip?

A) 80.0
B) 88.9
C) 90.0
D) 91.1
E) None of these

47. If x and y are integers and $x * y^2$ is a positive odd number, which of the following statements must be true?

I. $x * y$ is positive.
II. $x * y$ is odd.
III. $x + y$ is even.

A) I only
B) II only
C) III only
D) I and II
E) II and III

48. Three workers, Rafiq, Salma, and Hasan, are tasked with painting a wall. Rafiq can paint the wall in 3 hours, Salma in 5 hours, and Hasan in 6 hours. However, there is a breeze that continuously removes paint and undoes the work at a rate that would take 8 hours to erase all the paint. If all three workers paint together while the breeze is active, how long will it take to paint the entire wall?

A) 2 hours B) 2.5 hours C) 1.75 hours D) 3.5 hours E) 4 hours

49. A shopkeeper in Dhaka has a collection of 375 currency notes consisting of 5-Taka, 10-Taka, and 50-Taka denominations in the ratio 4:8:3, respectively. After spending 50 Taka, the remaining money is exchanged for 100-Taka notes. How many 100-Taka notes does the shopkeeper receive?

A) 52 B) 62 C) 72 D) 150 E) None of these

50. A farmer in Rajshahi builds a rectangular enclosure for crops and a triangular plot for irrigation. The perimeter of the rectangular enclosure and the triangular plot are the same. Additionally, one side of the rectangle is equal to the side of the triangle. What is the ratio of the area of the rectangular enclosure to the triangular plot?

A) $\sqrt{3} : 1$ B) $1 : \sqrt{3}$ C) $2 : \sqrt{3}$ D) $4 : \sqrt{3}$ E) None of these

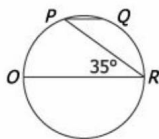
51. Rina Begum goes to a shop in Dhaka and buys a saree costing 5,225 BDT, including a 12% VAT. The shopkeeper offers her a discount equivalent to the VAT amount. By how much is the price decreased (nearest value)?

A) 615 BDT B) 650 BDT C) 560 BDT D) 580 BDT E) None of these

52. In Dhaka City, 90 percent of the population owns a smartphone, 15 percent own a tablet, and everyone owns at least one of the two or both. What is the percentage of tablet owners who also own smartphones?

A) 5% B) 15% C) $33\frac{1}{3}\%$ D) 50% E) 90%

53. In the figure below PO is parallel to the diameter OR, and the length of OR is 18. The angle $\angle PRO$ is 35 degrees. What is the length of the minor arc PQ?



A) 2π
B) $9\pi/4$
C) $7\pi/2$
D) $9\pi/2$
E) 3π

54. Five tea blends—J, K, L, M, and N—produced in Sylhet are all priced differently. The blends are such that the greater the proportion of premium tea leaves, the more expensive the blend—and the greater the proportion of basic tea leaves, the stronger the flavor of the blend. If the five blends were ranked in order of cost per kilogram, which would fall in the middle?

(1) Blend L has a higher proportion of premium tea leaves than the other blends except for Blend M.

(2) Blend K and Blend N both have a stronger flavor than Blend J.

A) Statement (1) alone is sufficient, but statement (2) alone is not sufficient.
B) Statement (2) alone is sufficient, but statement (1) alone is not sufficient.
C) Both statements together are sufficient, but neither alone is sufficient.
D) Each statement alone is sufficient.
E) Statements (1) and (2) together are not sufficient.

55. What is the average score of students in a national math competition in Bangladesh?

(1) Seventy percent of the students scored an average of 120 marks, while the remaining 30 percent scored an average of 140 marks.

(2) The 300 students in the competition each took 3 tests.

A) Statement (1) alone is sufficient, but statement (2) alone is not sufficient.
B) Statement (2) alone is sufficient, but statement (1) alone is not sufficient.
C) Both statements together are sufficient, but neither alone is sufficient.
D) Each statement alone is sufficient.
E) Statements (1) and (2) together are not sufficient.

Section 3 – Analytical Ability (15*1=15 Marks)

Questions 56 to 60 are based on the following information -

Professors at the University of Dhaka are preparing research publications for three upcoming issues of the "Dhaka Academic Journal." The issues will be published in sequence: first, second, and third. The professors involved are: A, B, C, D, E, F, and G. Each professor will have at least one paper published, but some may have more than one. The following rules govern the publication process:

1. If a paper by Professor A is included in an issue, a paper by Professor B must also appear in the same issue.
2. If a paper by Professor D is published in an issue, a paper by Professor F must appear in the previous issue.
3. A paper by Professor F cannot appear in the same issue as a paper by Professor G.
4. No professor may contribute to two consecutive issues or submit more than one paper in the same issue.
5. Each issue must contain at least two papers.

56. The first issue of the journal can consist exclusively of papers by which of the following groups of professors?

- A) A and C
- B) D and F
- C) A, F, and G
- D) C, E, and F
- E) A, B, E, F, and G

57. If the first issue consists exclusively of papers by A and B, then the second issue can consist exclusively of papers by which of the following groups of professors?

- A) C and E
- B) C and F
- C) D and G
- D) A, B, and G
- E) C, F, and G

58. Which of the following professors CANNOT contribute to the first issue of the journal?

- A) C
- B) D
- C) E
- D) F
- E) G

59. If the first issue consists exclusively of papers by B, C, and G, then the third issue must contain a paper by which of the following professors?

- A) B
- B) C
- C) E
- D) F
- E) G

60. If the third issue consists exclusively of papers by B, C, and D, then the second issue must have consisted of papers by which of the following groups of professors?

- A) A and E
- B) A and G
- C) B and F
- D) E and F
- E) E and G

Questions 61 to 65 are based on the following information -

Gen Z influencers A, B, C, D, E, and F are participating in a social media challenge to determine their popularity ranking, from first (highest) to sixth (lowest). The following rules govern their initial rankings:

1. Influencer A is ranked higher than Influencer B.
2. Influencer E is ranked higher than Influencers C and D.
3. Influencer F is ranked two places higher than Influencer C.
4. Influencer A is ranked either third or fourth.

61. Which of the following is a possible initial ranking from highest to lowest?

- A) E, C, F, A, D, B
- B) F, D, C, E, A, B
- C) F, B, C, A, E, E
- D) E, F, A, C, D, B
- E) E, F, C, A, D, B

62. If Influencer F is initially ranked first, which of the following must also be true of the initial ranking?

- A) Influencer E is ranked second.
- B) Influencer C is ranked second.
- C) Influencer A is ranked third.
- D) Influencer B is ranked fifth.
- E) Influencer D is ranked sixth.

63. If Influencer A is initially ranked third, which of the following must also be true of the initial ranking?

- A) Influencer E is ranked first.
- B) Influencer F is ranked second.
- C) Influencer B is ranked fourth.
- D) Influencer D is ranked fourth.
- E) Influencer D is ranked sixth.

64. If Influencer F is initially ranked third, and makes the first challenge, which of the following influencers could F challenge in the first round?

- I. A
 - II. C
 - III. D
 - IV. E
- A) I and II only
 - B) I and III only
 - C) II and IV only
 - D) III and IV only
 - E) I, II, and IV

65. If the first challenge is made by Influencer A against Influencer C, all of the following must be true of the initial ranking EXCEPT:

- A) Influencer F is ranked first.
- B) Influencer E is ranked second.
- C) Influencer C is ranked third.
- D) Influencer A is ranked fourth.
- E) Influencer D is ranked fifth.

For questions like Question 66 and 67, carefully analyze the statements provided and determine which conclusions logically follow. Choose the correct option based on the relationship between the statements and conclusions.

66. Statements: Some hilsha fish are padlocks. Some padlocks are bicycle locks. All padlocks are wedding rings.

Conclusions:

- I. Some hilsha fish are bicycle locks.
- II. Some hilsha fish are not bicycle locks.
- III. Some hilsha fish are wedding rings.
- IV. Some hilsha fish are not wedding rings.

- A) Only either III or IV follows.
- B) Only either I or II follows.
- C) Only either I or II & III follow.
- D) None follow.
- E) None of these.

67. Statements: Some cricket players are footballers. All the footballers are dancers.

Conclusions:

- I. Some cricket players are dancers.
- II. No footballer is a cricket player.

- A) Only (I) conclusion follows.
- B) Only (II) conclusion follows.
- C) Either (I) or (II) follows.
- D) Neither (I) nor (II) follows.
- E) Both (I) and (II) follow.

68. An investigation must be launched into the operations of the private organization training individuals to fight against the People's Republic of Rangapur. The Bangladeshi Neutrality Act explicitly forbids Bangladeshi citizens from engaging in military campaigns against any nation with which Bangladesh is not officially at war. Since no war has been declared between Bangladesh and the People's Republic of Rangapur, charges should be brought against these individuals, who are openly violating the law.

Which of the following, if true, would most weaken the argument above?

- A) The People's Republic of Rangapur is currently engaged in a bloody, escalating civil war.
- B) Diplomatic relations between Bangladesh and the People's Republic of Rangapur were severed last year.
- C) The recruits are being trained to fight only in the event Bangladesh goes to war against the People's Republic of Rangapur.
- D) The training of recruits is funded not by Bangladeshi citizens but by a consortium of individuals from abroad.
- E) Charges cannot be brought against the private group that is training the recruits unless an investigation is launched.

69. Over the past six years, most students from surrounding districts have regularly attended universities in Chattogram to pursue their undergraduate degrees. However, according to a recent change in education policies in Chattogram, universities there are expected to increase their tuition fees to almost the same level as those charged by the University of Dhaka. Therefore, it can be safely concluded that the University of Dhaka will see a surge in the number of students enrolling to pursue their undergraduate degrees.

Which of the following is an assumption on which the argument depends?

- A) The faculty at universities in Chattogram are generally considered better than those at the University of Dhaka.
- B) The University of Dhaka does not offer programs of better quality than universities in Chattogram.
- C) The low tuition fees charged by universities in Chattogram are the primary reason why students from surrounding districts prefer them.
- D) Students who study at the University of Dhaka do not perform better than those who study at universities in Chattogram.
- E) Chattogram does not have more universities than Dhaka.

70. A traveler on the Sylhet-Tamabil hiking trail saw a signpost reading "21" on the side facing her and "23" on the back. She assumed the next post would indicate she was halfway between Sylhet and Tamabil. However, one mile ahead, the post read "20" on the front and "24" on the back.

Which of the following, if true, would explain the confusion?

- A) The numbers on the next post were reversed.
- B) The numbers on the posts indicate kilometers, not miles.
- C) The numbers on the posts show kilometers to Tamabil, not from Sylhet.
- D) A post was missing between the two she saw.
- E) The posts were designed for cyclists, not hikers.

Part 2 – Writing Ability (30 Marks)

1. **“Nobody can go back and start a new beginning, but anyone can start today and make a new ending.”** (15 Marks)

To what extent do you agree with this statement? Develop a clear stance and support your argument with logical reasoning and evidence. You may draw examples from literature, historical events, or personal experiences to substantiate your position.





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2. Prepare a thematic write-up using the following words/phrases. You may use one word/phrase more than once. You may also change the form of the given words/phrases as needed. Give an appropriate title to your write-up. To maintain coherence, you may write some sentences without using the words/phrases given in the list. (15 Marks)

Youth Empowerment || Generation Z || Sustainability || Tech-orientation || Unethical || Leadership || Inclusivity || Self-expression





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