

Dialogue Writing

Objectives :



At the end of this lesson you will be able to :

- ⑤ realize the necessity of Dialogue.
- ⑤ identify some rules of Dialogue writing.
- ⑤ increase the ability of making new sentences.
- ⑤ develop conversation skill.
- ⑤ communicate with international institutions.

Dialogue শব্দের অর্থ সংলাপ। সাধারণভাবে দুজনের মধ্যে কথাবার্তাই হল সংলাপ। এটি ইংরেজিতে কথা বলার দক্ষতা অর্জনের ক্ষেত্রে একটি গুরুত্বপূর্ণ বিষয়। বিদেশী কোন ব্যক্তির সাথে কথা বলার সময় এটির স্বাভাবিক ব্যবহার দেখা যায়। আমাদের শিক্ষার্থীরা ইংরেজি বলতে ও লিখতে তেমন দক্ষ নয়। শিক্ষার্থীদের লিখন-পঠনে দক্ষতা বৃদ্ধির জন্য এটি খুবই প্রয়োজনীয় সংযোজন। এর মাধ্যমে শিক্ষার্থীদের art of conversation - এর উন্নতি ঘটবে।

Dialogue লেখার বা বলার জন্য কিছু সাধারণ দিক খেয়াল রাখতে হয় :

১. এর ভাষা হবে Direct Narration এর ভাষা।
২. Dialogue-এর যথার্থ ব্যবহারের জন্য Interrogative Sentence এর উপর দখল থাকা আবশ্যিক। Dialogue-এ WH question বা Yes-no question এর ব্যবহার অত্যন্ত গুরুত্বপূর্ণ।
৩. Dialogue- এর বক্তব্য অত্যন্ত সংক্ষিপ্ত হতে হয়। এর জন্য Contraction অর্থাৎ শব্দের তথা ক্রিয়ার সংক্ষিপ্তরূপ ব্যবহার করা উচিত।
৪. সাধারণত চটুল বা হাস্যরসাত্মক বাক্যের ব্যবহারে Dialogue- এ প্রাণ সঞ্চার করে। নিচে কিছু Dialogue-এর উদাহরণ দেয়া হল। এগুলো অনুশীলনের মাধ্যমে শিক্ষার্থীরা তাদের লিখন-পঠন বলনে দক্ষতা লাভ করবে।

1. Write a dialogue between you and your friend about physical exercise:

Myself : Hello, friend, what are you doing here?

Monir : I am taking physical exercise here.

Myself : Do you take it regularly?

Monir : Of course.

- Myself : Why do you take it regularly?
- Monir : Actually it makes my body fit and free from diseases. It offers me a spirit of self-confidence and courage to face the struggle of life. That's why, I take it regularly.
- Myself : I am getting interested to take regular physical exercise.
- Monir : I think, you should take it regularly for your betterment.
- Myself : Yea, I will take it regularly.
- Monir : You have taken a good decision. Thank you very much.
- Myself : Same to you.

2. Write a dialogue asking directions.

- Passerby : Excuse me. How can I go to Shahbag?
- Shahin : You can take a rickshaw or go by bus.
- Passerby : How far is it?
- Shahin : It is not very far.
- Passerby : Is there any bus stand near here?
- Shahin : Yes, go straight along this road. Take the first turning on the right. Keep going about 300 meters. Then take the second turning on the right. You will see many buses coming and going.
- Passerby : Thank you very much.
- Shahin : You are welcome.

3. Write a dialogue between a client and the manager of a bank about opening a bank account.

- Client : May I come in, please?
- Manager : Yes, come in.
- Client : I would like to open an account with your bank. Could you tell me what to do?
- Manager : Yes, you can open a savings account. Here is an application form. You have to fill it in and be introduced by someone who has an account with us. He must put his signature on this card and write his address and account number in the relevant part of the application.
- Client : Is that all?
- Manager : No, here is a signature card. You have to put your specimen signature on this card and attach two passport-size

photographs. They must be attested by your introducer. You have to bring some cash in order to open an account.

Client : Thank you very much for your help.

Manager : You are welcome.

4. Write a dialogue between Myself and Putin about his visit to Bangladesh.

Myself : Hello, I am Kamal. I think you are a visitor. What is your country?

Putin : Nice to meet you. I am Putin from Russia. Your country is very nice.

Myself : Is this your first visit?

Putin : Yes, I have come first and just a few hours ago. I need a guide. Would you be my guide, please?

Myself : Sorry, I am busy now. But I make an arrangement for you. Where do you want to visit first?

Putin : I've heard about Cox's Bazar. It is the longest sea-beach in the world.

Myself : Yes, It is 150 kilometers long. You may also visit Teknaf. Saint Martin Island and Moheskhalia.

Putin : I also want to visit other important places in your country. First, I would like to go to Cox's Bazar by bus.

Myself : We have some luxurious bus service to Cox's Bazar. One of my friends has experience about tourism. Within an hour I hope he will meet you as a guide.

Putin : Thank you.

Myself : Welcome, it's my pleasure.

5. Write a dialogue between a customer and a salesman.

Customer : Do you have Olympic ball pen?

Salesman : Yes, we have. Which colour do you want?

Customer : Black.

Salesman : Here it is.

Customer : What will it cost?

Salesman : Not much, Only taka ten.

Customer : Won't you take less?

Salesman : Fixed price.

Customer : Then, give me one

Salesman : Will you have anything else?
Customer : No, thanks, Here is the price.
Salesman : It's a fifty taka note. Don't you have change?
Customer : I am sorry. I don't have.
Salesman : Wait a bit, please I am giving you the rest of the money.
Customer : Thank you very much.
Salesman : You are welcome.

6. Write a dialogue between you and your friend about mobile phone.

Myself : Hello friend, I see, you have bought a mobile phone. But do you know what a mobile phone is?
Matin : Definitely. It is a telephone system that works without any wire.
Myself : O, fine. What is its utility?
Matin : It is of great use. Through mobile phone, one can send messages, play games and sports, know about time, date, week, month and year, solve the work of calculation, be aware of current news and views, watch various programmes of television and get amazed and amused.
Myself : Interesting. I am eager to buy a mobile phone.
Matin : Yea, you should buy a mobile phone.
Myself : So far as I know, the whole world seems to be a global village with the golden touch of mobile phone.
Matin : Of course, within a very short time we can communicate with the people living in distant places.
Myself : It also saves our valuable time and money, Isn't it?
Matin : Of course. Thank you very much.
Myself : Same to you.

7. Write a dialogue between a doctor and his patient.

Doctor : What is your complaint?
Patient : I have been suffering from insomnia for the last few days. Would you please cure of this trouble?
Doctor : Oh, sure. But before that tell me if you do any physical labour at home.
Patient : To tell you frankly, I spend my time in reading, gossiping and sleeping.
Doctor : Do you suffer from any tension?
Patient : Yes, I suffer from this or that tension.
Doctor : That's the reason. I shall test your blood pressure. Your blood pressure is high It is $\frac{150}{100}$
Patient : What? How could it be? What shall I do now? Oh God!

- Doctor : Have patience. You are averse to physical labour. This led to your high blood pressure.
- Patient : Won't you give me any medicine?
- Doctor : Yes, of course. You will take this medicine regularly and you'll soon be quite O. K.
- Patient : Thank you, I shall try to obey your advice.
- Doctor : I wish a sound health.

8. Write a dialogue between two friends about a new teacher.

- Rahim : Well, how do you like the new teacher?
- Karim : I think, he is a nice teacher.
- Rahim : How can you say that? Do you know about his academic career?
- Karim : Yes, I know that his career is brilliant.
- Rahim : Do you think mere good qualification is the only criterion to be a good teacher.
- Karim : I don't think that but his mode of expression, pleasing voice and subjective knowledge are also praiseworthy. For this reason, I am telling this.

9. Write a dialogue between two friends about a picnic.

- Milon : At last the boring examination is over and we are free. How do you think of enjoying a picnic now?
- Rubel : Oh, its a fine idea. We missed it last year. Let us fix up a date and location.
- Milon : What about going to the Maynamoti next Friday?
- Rubel : O fine! That's a beautiful place to go to. Be quick.
- Milon : Let the day be the next Friday and we will start right at 9 am. from the Saidabad Bus Terminal.
- Rubel : That's all right.
- Milon : What will we have there?
- Rubel : Why, 'Biriani'. Don't you like it?
- Milon : Hundred times.
- Rubel : That's fine. But we will cook our food ourselves. We won't have packet lunch.
- Milon : Thank you very much.
- Rubel : you are welcome.

10. Write a dialogue between Myself and Limon about the effects of flood.

- Myself : Hello, Limon. How are you?
- Limon : Fine. You?

- Myself : I am okay. But I think about flood. I know you got a better experience about flood last year. Would you tell me something about flood.
- Limon : Flood is very devastating. It affects us a great deal.
- Myself : Would you briefly narrate the effects of flood.
- Limon : During the flood roads and lands go under the water. For this the sufferings of the people know no bounds.
- Myself : Pardon me, I will be glad if you describe the people's sufferings.
- Limon : People are rendered homeless. They have to take shelter at the flood counter center. The sufferings of the People cannot be described in a single sentence.
- Myself : Would you tell anything about the after effects of flood?
- Limon : After-effects of flood are very serious. There arises an acute scarcity of pure drinking water. As a result different kinds of diseases break out.
- Myself : This is the bad side of the flood. Is there any good side to the flood?
- Limon : Yes, there is a good side too. During floods silts are scattered over the lands making them fertile. As a result, people can get a lot of crops.
- Myself : Thank you very much for your wise discussion, good-bye.

11. Write a dialogue between two friends before starting a business.

- Rahim : You have got a good division. Now what would you do? Would you like to go in for higher studies.
- Karim : Your result is not bad either. Luck favours you. Isn't it?
- Rahim : Thanks to heaven for this. I didn't expect so much.
- Karim : You see, my father has become old. He cannot work hard. He is the only earning member of our family. As his only son, have I not some duties to perform?
- Rahim : What do you propose to do, then?
- Karim : I will apply for a job.
- Rahim : Do you think you will get it?
- Karim : Why not? Have I not the qualification?
- Rahim : No that. The thing is that there are thousands like you. There would be hard contest. Fortune may not smile on you.
- Karim : What shall I do then? I can't starve.
- Rahim : Better start a small business first. Soon you will get on and earn a lot.
- Karim : I have neither money nor experience in the line. How can I do that?
- Rahim : You see, unemployment problem is very acute in our country. You may get help from the self-employment projects of the government. They will give financial assistance and guidelines.
- Karim : Shall I be able to pay back the loan?

Rahim : Oh, sure. Don't be worried, my boy. You may take it on easy terms.
 Karim : Thank you for your suggestion.

12. Write a dialogue between you and your friend about Compulsory Primary Education.

Myself : Suman, you are looking anxious, what's happened?
 Suman : You are right. I am thinking about the children of our country.
 Myself : In which aspects do you think about children?
 Suman : I am thinking about their education. You know, most of the children of our country do not know how to read and write.
 Myself : You need not worry. Our government has made primary education compulsory.
 Suman : But it is not sufficient.
 Myself : Our government forms a new law that every child between ages five to ten must complete the primary education as compulsory. This rules must be obeyed by children's parents.
 Suman : Then it's a happy news for us. But will this programme be successful?
 Myself : Oh! Suman, you always think about the negative side of everything. The government has launched Food for Education Programme to make it successful.
 Suman : I have known much from you. Thanks.
 Myself : It's my pleasure.

13. Write a dialogue between you and a passer-by looking for a post office.

Passer-by : Excuse me, please.
 Myself : Yes.
 Passer-by : I am a new-comer. Would you please tell me the way to the local post office here?
 Myself : Of course. At first, you will go straight to the west and then you will take a turn to left. After walking for a while, you will see a two-storied building.
 Passer-by : Is that the local post office?
 Myself : You are quite right. I think you will easily find out the local post office.
 Passer-by : How far is it from here?
 Myself : It is not so far from here. You will be able to reach there within ten minutes.
 Passer-by : Thanks a lot for your help.
 Myself : You are welcome.

14. Write a dialogue between two friends about early rising.

Arif : What time do you get up in the morning?
 Masud : I get up at 7 am.

- Arif : You are a late riser. It's bad. How can you expect to complete your day's work in time if you get up late?
- Masud : I try to get up but I can't.
- Arif : That can't be an excuse. Make it rule to get up early and enjoy a sound health with a sound mind.
- Masud : Besides, I am averse to work.
- Arif : That's the reason of your ill health. You know work keeps our body fit. Stop working and your life will be on the ebb.
- Masud : Now I have understood that early rising is necessary for good health. But I can't practise it myself.
- Arif : You will have to make it into a habit. You will see that it has unending benefit for you.
- Masud : O. K. From now on I shall try to rise early so that I can make it into a habit.
- Arif : Fine, I shall see that.

15. Write a dialogue between Myself and my friend Nuru about child labour.

- Myself : Hello, Nuru, how are you?
- Nuru : Fine, by the grace of almighty Allah. What about you?
- Myself : Well by His kindness. Who is with you?
- Nuru : He is our servant.
- Myself : But he is a child. Why do you treat him as a servant?
- Nuru : It is a common sight in Bangladesh.
- Myself : What is your conception about child labour?
- Nuru : I have a good conception about child labour. Child labour becomes a common problem in Bangladesh. Many young children are working for a living around us. These young working children are being deprived of their fundamental rights. They have to grind bricks and stones. They also work as bus conductors or in small factories.
- Myself : What is the behaviour of their masters towards them?
- Nuru : The masters and housewives are very harsh to them. They do not regard them as human being.
- Myself : What is their physical condition?
- Nuru : They suffer from malnutrition as they lack in proper food. They have a short life. It is the failure of the government and the society.
- Myself : What role should the government and civil society play to develop their condition?
- Nuru : The government and the people concerned should act to protect their rights and stop their labour. The government should rehabilitate the slum-dwellers and should create working opportunities for them. They can help those poor people in various ways. The government should sanction more money for Food for Education Programme. The concerned people can come forward to help the working children. More

children homes should be established for deserted children.
After doing all these, we can expect good children

Myself : Thank you for your opinions.
Nuru : Welcome.

16. Write a dialogue between two friends about the present system of examination.

Nuru : What do you think of the present system of examination?
Arif : I think it is not good one. In it students only vomit their crammed answers. (না বুঝে মুখস্থ করা উত্তর). It does not pave the way to their creativity.
Nuru : I also think so. All the questions should be unseen and the students should answer them from the wide spread reading.
Arif : I appreciate your idea and suggest my friends not to read suggestive questions but to read the whole syllabus to earn knowledge.

17. Write a dialogue Between a passenger and a booking clerk.

Passenger : Will you give me a ticket for Mymensingh, please?
Booking clerk : Oh, sure. What class?
Passenger : Second class. Here is the fare.
Booking clerk : Thank you. Here is your ticket.
Passenger : Will the train start on time?
Booking clerk : Yes, of course.
Passenger : When will it reach Mymensingh?
Booking clerk : At 9 pm.
Passenger : Is it a local train?
Booking clerk : No.
Passenger : Does it stop at Joydevpur?
Booking clerk : No, it's a non-stop Inter-city Train.
Passenger : Thank you very much.
Booking clerk : You are welcome.

18. Write a dialogue between you and your friend about advertisement on TV.

Myself : Hello, Saju! How are you?
Saju : I am fine. Thank you.
Myself : How did you enjoy your Eid?
Saju : I spent my time nicely except on TV programme.
Myself : Have you noticed one thing in TV programme recently?
Saju : I don't find anything new. There are too much advertisements of goods in TV programme. Advertisements have become a nuisance. Aren't they?

- Myself : I see, what you mean. But don't you think some of the advertisements are very amusing?
- Saju : Who wants such amusements when you are watching something interesting or exciting? Besides, most advertisements are irritating and boring.
- Myself : There is a lot in what you say, but you must not overlook the interest of the advertisements. They have to sell their products.
- Saju : I don't say that advertisements should be banned. You can have them before or after a programme but not in the middle of a programme.
- Myself : I couldn't agree more.

19. Write a dialogue between book seller and student.

- Student : Excuse me, could you help me please?
- Book Seller : Certainly. What can I do for you?
- Student : I want to buy a dictionary. Have you any?
- Book Seller : I have a lot of dictionaries. Do you want an English to Bengali dictionary, or any other kind.
- Student : I want an English to English dictionary.
- Book Seller : All right. I am giving you. Here are they?
- Student : Do you have Oxford Dictionary?
- Book Seller : I have two kinds of it. Indian Print and London Print.
- Student : I would like a London Print. By the by, how much does it cost?
- Book Seller : It is 450.00 Taka.
- Student : Can't you reduce a little?
- Book Seller : If you take Indian print, I can reduce something.
- Student : Ok, give me a London print.
- Book Seller : This is your copy. I hope you will come again. Thank you.

20. Write a dialogue between a teacher and a student for being late in the class.

- Student : May I come in, Sir?
- Teacher : Yes, you may. Why are you late?
- Student : There were few buses on the road. Sir, with great difficulty I got into one. For this reason I could not keep time.
- Teacher : Is your house far away from the college?
- Student : Yes, sir. It's about 10 kilometers.
- Teacher : I am sorry for you. What ever it is, you must come in time. Otherwise, you can't follow the lectures.
- Student : What can I do, Sir? We have to depend on the bus service. If they are late, we are late. If they are early, we are early.
- Teacher : Why don't you stay in the college hostel?

- Student : My father is a poor farmer. Sir, he can not afford to keep me in the hostel.
- Teacher : I am unhappy to know it. I shall talk about you with the principal. Sit down.
- Student : Thank you, Sir.
- Teacher : It's all right.

21. Write a dialogue between Joni and Roni about the bad effects of Smoking

- Joni : Hi Roni, how are you?
- Roni : Fine, by the grace of God and you?
- Joni : Not bad at all. However, have you ever thought about the bad effect of smoking?
- Roni : I sometimes think about it. It causes serious health hazard. Is it not?
- Joni : Definitely. It causes various kinds of incurable diseases like cancer.
- Roni : Does it pollute the air?
- Joni : Obviously. It also pollutes the air.
- Roni : In this regard those who are nonsmoker are also affected.
- Joni : You've guessed rightly. Both smoker and nonsmoker are equally harmed by it.
- Roni : I see. It's really a matter of concern.
- Joni : Not only this. Smoking is also waste of money.
- Roni : Is it possible to discourage the people to smoke?
- Joni : Sure. If people became aware of the bad effect of smoking, they will keep away from smoking.
- Roni : I think government also has a responsibility to make the people aware about smoking.
- Joni : You will be happy to hear that government of Bangladesh has recently banned smoking in open places.
- Roni : Really? It is a remarkable step. I think if everybody abides by this law, the habit of smoking will be discouraged.
- Joni : Well Roni. No more today. See you again, bye.
- Roni : See you again.

22. Write a dialogue between two friends about the plans for holiday.

- Anik : I feel that we should go to an interesting place in the next holiday.
- Taj : I also feel like that. But I am pondering over the places of my choice. There are so many favourite places that I am confused.
- Anik : I like the only one place and that is Cox's Bazaar. What do you think about it?

Taj : It will be the fantastic one. It went out of my memory. But it is the best in my choice. I appreciate you from the core of my heart and want to accompany you.

23. Write a dialogue between Myself and my friend Liana about hobbies.

Liana : Hello, friend, how are you?
Myself : Fine, when have you come?
Liana : Just now, Is this your garden?
Myself : Yes, it is. Do you like this?
Liana : Sure.
Myself : What is your feeling about my garden?
Liana : Really, this is a wonderful garden. Do you regularly take care of it yourself?
Myself : Yes, my dear friend. You know gardening is my favourite hobby. Whenever I can find out any leisure period, I remain busy with my garden.
Liana : That's fine. How long do you spend in taking care of your garden.
Myself : It's about three hours. What is your favourite hobby?
Liana : My favourite hobby is stamp collection. I collect different foreign stamps from different sources. I feel always fresh when my album becomes full of various stamps.
Myself : Your hobby is not bad at all. But my hobby keeps me always physically and mentally fresh and cheerful.
Liana : But my hobby enhances my knowledge to a great extent. Through stamps collection I have gathered much knowledge about geography, history, politics of different countries. I am very happy with my hobby.
Myself : Thanks for your comment. Let's go home.
Liana : OK.

24. Write a dialogue between myself and my friend about unemployment problem.

Myself : How do you do, Arif?
Arif : Oh! Sohel, I am so-so, You?
Myself : I am well. What are you doing now?
Arif : Nothing. I am unemployed.
Myself : Why? You are a master degree holder.
Arif : Yes, I am a master degree holder. But my academic degrees and my subject are not so much valuable in the market of career.
Myself : You have made me puzzled. What is valuable in the field of job.
Arif : Only skill and experience.

Myself : Then you can gather skill and experience in various technical sides.

Arif : Yes, I have decided to learn the operation of computer and internet. I have also decided to complete spoken course in English.

Myself : Thank you, for your pragmatic thought.

Arif : Welcome.