

CSS 1987

Q.1 Make a Précis of the following passage and suggest a suitable title: (20+5=25)

The incomparable gift of brain, with its truly amazing powers of abstraction, has rendered obsolete the slow and sometimes clumsy mechanism utilized by evolution so far. Thanks to the brain alone, man, in the course of thousand of years for animals to achieve the same result through the processes of evolution. Thanks to the brain alone, the range of our sensory organs has been increased a million fold; for beyond the wildest dreams; we have brought the moon within thirty miles of us, we see the infinitely small and see the infinitely remote; we hear the inaudible; we have dwarfed distance and killed physical time. We have succeeded in understanding them thoroughly. We have put to shame the radius and lime consuming methods of trial and error used by Nature, because Nature has finally succeeded in producing its masterpieces in the shape of the human brain. But the great laws of evolution are still active, even though adaptation has lost its importance as far as ourselves if we misunderstand the meaning and the purpose of our victories. And we are free to forge ahead, to prolong evolution, to cooperate with God if we perceive the meaning of it all, if we realize that it can only be achieved through a whole hearted effort toward moral and spiritual developments. Our freedom of which we may be justly proud, affords us the proof that we represent the spearhead of revolutions; but it is up to us to demonstrate, by the way in which we use it, whether we are ready yet to assume the tremendous responsibility which has befallen us almost suddenly.

## \*Precis\* 1987:

↳ Title: Human intelligence and advancement of Science.

↳ The incredible human brain has revolutionized the mankind. It has made everything decipherable. Human intelligence, exorbitantly, solving the scientific realms of the world. The world has become so progressive ~~that~~ <sup>as</sup> human brain has triumphed space and time. Atoms and event quarks have become able to be seen. One can even hear inaudible. Man's brain is still in evolutionary phase and it is necessary to make right/good use of science. Because, misapplication of science may lead to the destruction of humanity. So it is obligatory to fulfill this tremendous responsibility of using science in a useful way.

Total words: 203

Precis words: 85

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The touring companies had set up their stages, when playing of town folks and not for the nobility in the large inn yards where the crowd could sit or stand around the platform and the superior patrons could seat themselves in the galleries outside the bedrooms of the inn. The London theatres more or less reproduced this setting; though they were usually

round or oval in shape and stage was more than a mere platform having entrances at each side, a curtained inner stage and an upper stage or balcony. For imaginative Poetic drama, this type of stage had many advantages. There was no scenery to be changed; the dramatist could move freely and a swiftly from place. Having only words as his command, he had to use his imagination and compel his audience to use theirs. The play could move at great speed. Even with such limited evidence as we possess, it is not hard to believe that Elizabethan audience, attending a poetic comedy, found in the theatre an imaginative experience of richness and intensity that we cannot discover in our own drama.

## CSS 1988: Precis:-

The stages set by touring companies are not like those of the stages set by London theatres. London theatres were usually oval or round shaped having entrances on both sides. This kind of stage was very advantageous, as no scenery was to be changed. The dramatist had a large space to move freely with command over the words. Elizabeth audience could enjoy it best with their imagination, a thing seldom found in our dramas.

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Precis words:- 66.

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Q.1 Write a Précis of the following and suggest a suitable title:

"THE GREATEST civilization before ours was the Greek. They, too, lived in a dangerous world. They were a little civilized people, surrounded by barbarous and always threatened by the greatest Asian power Persia. In the end they succumbed, but the reason they did was not the enemies outside were too strong, but that their spiritual strength had given way. While they had it, they kept Greece unconquered. Basic to all Greek achievements was freedom. The Athenians were the only free people in the world. In the great empires of antiquity. Egypt, Babylon, Abyssinia and Persia splendid though they were with riches and immense power, freedom was unknown. The idea it was born in Greece and with it Greece was able to prevail against all the manpower and wealth arrayed against her. At Marathon and at Salamis overwhelming numbers of Persians were defeated by small Greek forces. It was proved there that one free man was superior to many submissively obedient subjects of a tyrant. And Athens, where freedom was the dearest possession, was the leader in those amazing victories.

Greece rose to the very height, not because she was big, she was very small; not because she was rich, she was very poor, not even because she was wonderfully gifted. So doubtless were others in the great empires of the ancient world who have gone their leaving little for us. She rose because there was in the Greeks the greatest spirit that moves in humanity, the spirit that sets men free."

↳ Precis 1989:

Title: The spirit of freedom, sets man free.

↳ Precis:- The antiquated "Greek civilization" was threatened by neighbouring atrocious powers, though Greeks were the only independent and free nation at that time. All the great and brutal powers lost to Greeks just because of "Athenian's spirit of freedom. While they had this spirit, they never let any barbarous power to efface their civilization. They collapsed when they lost their spiritual strength. Later, they defeated their far more brutal enemies. It was all due to the spirit they had; a spirit that sets the man free from all the chains of subjugation/submissiveness.

Total words: 220

Precis words: 82.