

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

It is no doubt true that we cannot go through, life without sorrow. There can be no sunshine without shade. We must not complain that roses have thorns, but rather to grateful that thorns bear flowers. Our existence here is so complex that we must expect much sorrow and much suffering. Many people distress and torment themselves about the mystery of existence. But although a good man may at times be angry with the world, it is certain that no man was ever discontented with the world who did his duty in it. The world is a looking glass; if you smile, it smiles, if you frown, it frowns back. If you look at it through red glass, all seems red and rose, if through blue, all blue; if through a smoked one, all dull and dingy. Always try' then to look at the bright side of things; almost everything in the world has a bright side. There are some persons whose smile, the sound of whose voice, whose very presence seems like a ray of sunshine and brightness a whole presence seems like a ray of sunshine and brightness a whole room. Greet everybody with a bright smile, kind words and a pleasant welcome. It is not enough to love those who are near and dear to us. We must show that we do so. While however, we should be grateful, and enjoy to the full the innumerable blessings of life, we cannot expect to have sorrows and anxieties. Life has been described as a comedy to those who think, and tragedy to those who feel. It is indeed a tragedy at times and comedy very often, but as a rule, it is what we choose to make it. No evil, said Socrates, can happen to a good man, either in life and Death,

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## Precis

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Life is a mixture of happy and sad moments. Man should be wise enough to see the good behind the bad incidents of life as he cannot completely banish sorrows from his life. The truth is that life is like a looking glass. It would give us delight if we have high hope; and would dismay us if we adopt a pessimist way of life. All we need is an optimistic approach to live a ~~contented~~ life as we know man is the master of his ~~his~~ own fate and can make a hell or heaven by his own actions and deeds.

Use of first person is strictly prohibited in precis.

Summary:

Do not include examples in precis. Just give their gist without specifying details.

Total words in original passage:- 305

Required words:- 97 - 107

Total words in precis:- 102

Title:- Optimism: An easiest way to live life.

Idea ok.