

## COMPREHENSION EXERCISE 5

**Q.2. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow: (20)**

Honesty is the surest way to success. The day at last comes when the dishonest man repents in sorrow and suffering. But no man ever needs to repent of having been honest. Even when the honest man fails through lacking other qualities such as energy, economy, or system, his failure is not the grievous thing it is to the dishonest man. He can always rejoice in the fact that he has never defrauded a fellow being. Even in his darkest hour, he finds repose in a clear conscience. Ignorant men imagine that dishonesty is a short-cut to prosperity. This is why they practice it. The dishonest man is morally short-sighted. He is like the drunkard who sees the immediate pleasure of his habit, but not the ultimate degradation. He sees the immediate effect of a dishonest act – a larger profit – but not its ultimate outcome. He does not see that an accumulated number of such acts must inevitably undermine his character, and ruin his business.

### Questions:

1. Why do honest men even fail some times?
2. How does failure affect honest men?
3. Why is the dishonest man morally short sighted?
4. Why do some people practice dishonesty in their dealings?
5. What is the ultimate effect of following a dishonest policy?

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(1)

Honest man fails sometimes because of some shortcomings. He may lack in health, wealth and power. Some dishonest people have all these things and they succeed in their doings through wrong means. But a honest man fails because he is fair in his dealings.

(2)

Though honest man fails in his dealings but he remains peaceful. He does not repent on his honesty and fair-dealings. He performs <sup>his</sup> actions and duties in proper and fair manner. So, his failure never makes him sad and anxious. He feels contented because of his honest behavior.

(3)

The Dishonest man is short-sighted because he only focuses on immediate benefits, achieved from his dishonesty. He does not think about the long-term disadvantages of his bad dealings. He only wants to fulfill his desires by any hook or crook.

(4)

Some people practice dishonesty in their dealings because they want immediate success without any hardwork. They fulfill their desires and longings through wrongful acts. They take short-cuts to reach their destination. In this way, they practice dishonesty in their chores and dealings.

(5)

When a person practice dishonest policy in his dealings, he ultimately loses trust among people. Nobody considers him a good man. People start avoiding him. by cutting their connection with him. He suffers a lot through dishonesty.