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## Comprehension - 2023

### Question # 01

Happiness is very much important to most people because it is the ultimate need of human beings. Happiness is not necessarily results from material wealth according to survey held in North America and Europe. It can be achieved through simple lifestyle instead of luxurious one. However, material wealth is also important as far as it does not exceed our needs and happiness is important equally.

### Question 2:

The author characterizes the concept of 'Voluntary Simplicity' as a movement and as a philosophy logically. As a movement Voluntary simplicity movement aims to lessen the consumption of energy and to abate one's impact on the environment.



The author opines that one should know about his needs and resist what is unimportant. Voluntary simplicity is a philosophy as it involves the conscious realization that less is actually more.

Ques 3:

The adverse impact on environment is feared by the growing consumerism of modern society. Additionally, the increasing consumerism of today's society is not only degrading environment but also badly affecting human choices. Therefore, the consumer society's overconsumption of goods and energy has dire consequences.

Ques 4:

In modern society, the unlimited bombardment of manipulating messages of advertisements influences people much. This



advertising attitude make it difficult for people to abate their consumption patterns and habits. Further, the quest for ever more and to avoid inferiority complex people tend to be reluctant to decline the consumption habits.

### Question 5 :

The challenges and rewards of voluntary simplicity are as follows; the quest for ever more, equating the less money with poverty and social inferiority are the challenges of voluntary simplicity. On the other hand, there are rewards of this philosophy as well. By practicing voluntary simplicity, one can save the environment, resources, enjoyment and relaxation for future generation. Also, voluntary simplicity develops human bonding and a sense of humanity.