

Q. 2 Make a précis of the following passage and suggest a suitable title.

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I have a dream that one day this nation will rise up and live out the true meaning of its creed. We hold these truths to be self-evident that all men are created equal. I have a dream that one day out in the red hills of Georgia the sons of former slaves and the sons of former slave owners will be able to sit down together at the table of brotherhood.

I have a dream that one day even the state of Mississippi, a state sweltering with the heat of oppression, will be transformed into an oasis of freedom and justice. I have a dream that my four little children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin but by their character. I have a dream today.

I have a dream that one day down in Alabama, with its vicious racists, with its governor having his lips dripping with the words of interposition and nullification; that one day right down in Alabama little black boys and black girls will be able to join hands with little white boys and white girls as sisters and brothers. I have a dream today.

I have a dream that one day every valley shall be engulfed, every hill shall be exalted and every mountain shall be made low, the rough places will be made plains and the crooked places will be made straight and the glory of the Lord shall be revealed and all flesh shall see it together.

This is our hope. This is the faith that I will go back to the South with. With this faith we will be able to hew out of the mountain of despair a stone of hope.

With this faith we will be able to transform the jangling discords of our nation into a beautiful symphony of brotherhood. With this faith we will be able to work together, to pray together, to struggle together, to go to jail together, to climb up for freedom together, knowing that we will be free one day. (Martin Luther King, 1963)

Part - II

Q2

Title :- I have a dream

The speaker expresses a few dreams of his in this short speech. Firstly, he wishes to witness the eradication of social boundaries between the erstwhile slaves and their owners. He points out the exact geographical location, Georgia, where these demarcations continue to haunt people. Secondly, he wants to see the injustices prevalent in Mississippi to fade away and be replaced by a just and prejudice-free system. Thirdly, another aspiration is the establishment of brotherhood ~~in~~ between dark and light-skinned people in Alabama. The prevailing racist racism in that state is also lamented upon. Fourthly, the speaker dreams of the creation of an equality-based system across his nation. Lastly, the importance of these dreams and hopes is discussed. These are the dreams that shall transform and glorify the speaker's nation.

(~150 words)