

**FEDERAL PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
COMPETITIVE EXAMINATION-2021  
FOR RECRUITMENT TO POSTS IN BS-17  
UNDER THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT  
ENGLISH (PRÉCIS & COMPOSITION)**

TIME ALLOWED: THREE HOURS

PART-I (MCQS): MAXIMUM 30 MINUTES

PART-I (MCQS)

MAXIMUM MARKS: 20

PART-II

MAXIMUM MARKS: 80

- Note: (i) Part-II is to be attempted on the separate Answer Book.  
 (ii) Attempt ALL questions from PART-II.  
 (iii) All the parts (if any) of each Question must be attempted at one place instead of at different places.  
 (iv) Write Q. No. in the Answer Book in accordance with Q. No. in the Q. Paper.  
 (v) No Page/Space be left blank between the answers. All the blank pages of Answer Book must be crossed.  
 (vi) Extra attempt of any question or any part of the attempted question will not be considered.

### PART-II

Q.2. Write a précis of the following passage and also suggest a suitable title: (20)

Nizar Hassan was born in 1960 and raised in the village of Mashhad, near Nazareth, where he has lived with his family. He studied anthropology at Haifa University and after graduating worked in TV. Starting in 1990, he turned to cinema. In 1994, he produced Independence, in which he pokes his Palestinian interlocutors about what they think of the bizarre Israeli notion of their "independence". They have stolen another people's homeland and call the act "independence"! Hassan dwells on that absurdity. 81

As the world's attention was captured by the news of Israel planning to "annex" yet a bit more of Palestine and add it to what they have already stolen, I received an email from Nizar Hassan, the pre-eminent Palestinian documentary filmmaker. He wrote to me about his latest film, My Grandfather's Path, and included a link to the director's cut. It was a blessing. They say choose your enemies carefully for you would end up like them. The same goes for those opposing Zionist settler colonialists. If you are too incensed and angered by their daily dose of claptrap, the vulgarity of their armed robbery of Palestine, you would soon become like them and forget yourself and what beautiful ideas, ideals, and aspirations once animated your highest dreams. Never fall into that trap. For decades, aspects of Palestinian and world cinema, art, poetry, fiction, and drama have done for me precisely that: saved me from that trap. They have constantly reminded me what all our politics are about — a moment of poetic salvation from it all. 175

Nizar Hassan's new documentary is one such work — in a moment of dejection over Israel's encroachment on Palestinian rights and the world's complicity, it has put Palestine in perspective. The film is mercifully long, beautifully paced and patient, a masterfully crafted work of art — a Palestinian's epic ode to his homeland. A shorter version of My Grandfather's Path has been broadcast on Al Jazeera Arabic in three parts, but it must be seen in its entirety, in one go. It is a pilgrimage that must not be interrupted.

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Nizar is a filmmaker. We know nothing about the author who received the film from Nizar.

Title: A documentary on Palestine

Nizar Hassan

The author is a filmmaker. He produced two films on Palestine. In his first documentary "The Independence", he portrayed the struggle of Palestinian people to get independence. Similarly, in his second documentary "My Grandfather's Path" he portrayed the atrocities of Israeli forces on the people of Palestine. The author says that art and movies save people from depression trap. Moreover, he says that people should choose their enemies wisely. Their vulgarity and robbery vanish your dreams and ideas. However, the Palestine and world cinema saved him from this trap. In addition, the author's documentaries have been broadcast in many channels. Thus, the author plays important role in independence of Palestine through documentaries.

Original word Count: 345  
Precis word Count: 113

Do not comments of your own. Use your own vocabulary as much as possible. Capitalization mistakes found. Needs improvement.