

PRÉCIS EXERCISE 11

Q: Write a précis of the following passage in about 100 words and suggest the title: (20+5)

The pain of a kick on the shin soon passes away, but the pain of wound to our self-respect or our vanity may poison a whole day. For these are few things more catching than bad manners. Bad manners probably do more to poison the stream of the

general life than all the crimes in the calendar. But all the same discourtesy is not a legal offence and the law cannot become the guardian of our private manners. While it is true that there is no law that compels us to say "please", there is a social practice much older and more sacred than any law which enjoins us to be civil. And the first requirement of civility is that we would acknowledge a service. "Please" and "Thank you" are the small change with which we pay our way as social beings. They are the little courtesies by which we keep the machine of life oiled and running sweetly. They put our intercourse upon the basis of a friendly co-operation, an essay give-and-take, instead of on the basis of superiors dictating to inferiors.

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main idea is picked but the expression is weak
basic grammar has a lot of room for improvement
over all precise content is average
need improvement in sentence structure
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Good vs Bad

incorrect start

use an a the for starting precise
rewrite this sentence

~~Being unethical in life has
has more repercussions than any
other crime. There is no law
for showing respect to others,
rather it is a social practice
that depicts people's civilized
nature. These courtesies makes
a life more easier. Regard-
less of class differences, it
builds relations on the
basis of cooperation and
mutual agreement.~~

WC = 54

Total words = 188