

**Q. 2. Write a précis of the following passage in about 120 words and also suggest a suitable title: (20)**

It is in the temperate countries of northern Europe that the beneficial effects of cold are most manifest. A cold climate seems to stimulate energy by acting as an obstacle. In the face of an insuperable obstacle our energies are numbed by despair; the total absence of obstacles, on the other hand leaves no room for the exercise and training of energy; but a struggle against difficulties that we have a fair hope of over-coming, calls into active operation all our powers. In like manner, while intense cold numbs human energies, and a hot climate affords little motive for exertion, moderate cold seems to have a bracing effect on the human race. In a moderately cold climate man is engaged in an arduous, but no hopeless struggles and with the inclemency of the weather. He has to build strong houses and procure thick clothes to keep himself warm. To supply fuel for his fires, he must hew down trees and dig coal out of the earth. In the open air, unless he moves quickly, he will suffer pain from the biting wind. Finally, in order to replenish the expenditure of bodily tissue caused by his necessary exertions, he has to procure for himself plenty of nourishing food.

Quite different is the lot of man in the tropics. In the neighbourhood of the equator there is little need of clothes or fire, and it is possible with perfect comfort and no danger to health, to pass the livelong day stretched out on the bare ground beneath the shade of a tree. A very little fruit or vegetable food is required to sustain life under such circumstances, and that little can be obtained without much exertion from the bounteous earth.

We may recognize must the same difference between ourselves at different seasons of the year, as there is between human nature in the tropics and in temperate climes. In hot weather we are generally languid and inclined to take life easily; but when the cold season comes, we find that we are more inclined to vigorous exertion of our minds and bodies.

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Precis

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In temperate countries of northern Europe, the significant impacts of cold are apparent. Cold climate, as an obstacle, increase the energy of people. Impossible to fulfill obstacle numb — their tenergies with desperation while their total absence does not encourage for exertion. As Intense cold numbs human's energies, and hot climate does not encourage for exertion so moderately cold climate have bracing effect on people.

In ~~teme~~ reasonably cold climate, man has to build houses, wear thick clothes, require fire fuel, cut down the trees. Moreover, one has to move quickly to prevent himself from extremely cold wind and has to regain his strength with nourishing food.

On the other hand, men in tropic face different climate. There is little need of fire, clothes and it is possible to spend the whole day comfortably under the shadow of trees. So, eventually little amount of fruits or vegetable are required for sustaining life.

People can easily differentiate that at different seasons of the year. In hot weather, they generally spend

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life easily however in cold season they are inclined to the vigorous exercise of their minds and bodies.

### Draft 2

In temperate countries of northern Europe, significant impact of cold are apparent. Impossible to fulfill obstacles in intense cold numb energies of people. While total absence of obstacles in hot climate does not encourage for exercise and training. So moderately cold climate has refreshing impact on people. Furthermore, men in tropic do not require thick clothes, fire fuel and woods and nourishing food for sustaining life as in temperate region. People can easily differentiate it between different seasons. As they can spend life easily in hot weather, however they are more inclined to do the vigorous exercise of brains and bodies.

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## Impacts of Climate on Human Activities

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In temperate countries of Northern Europe, significant impacts of cold are apparent, as it stimulates energies of people. In intense cold, impossible obstacles numb energies of people. While in hot climate, complete absence of obstacles ~~do~~ <sup>does</sup> not encourage exertion. So moderately cold climate has a refreshing impact on them. Furthermore, men in tropic region do not require thick clothes, fire fuel or woods and nourishing food for sustaining life as in temperate region. People themselves can experience it as they spend life generally reasily in hot weather while in cold season they are inclined to do the mental and physical exercise vigorously (Precis---105 words)

Try to use your own vocabulary as much as possible. Mistake identified. Idea is generally ok.

