

## PMS 2012

I know that some people say the idea of Law of Nature or decent behavior known to all men is unsound because different civilizations and different ages have had quite different moralities. But they haven't. They have only had slightly different moralities. Just think what a quite different morality would mean. Think of a country where people were admired for running away in a battle, or where a man felt proud for double crossing all the people who had been kindest to him. You might as well try to imagine a country where two and two made five. Men have differed as regards what people you ought to be unselfish to – whether it was your own family, or your fellow countrymen, or everymen. But they have always agreed that you ought not to put yourself first. Selfishness has never been admired. We believe in the Law of Nature. If we do not believe in the Law of Nature, why should we be so anxious to make excuses for not having behaved decently? The truth is, we believe in decency so much – we feel the Rule of Law pressing so us so much – that we can't bear to face the fact that we are breaking it, and consequently we try to shift the responsibility. For you notice that it is only for our bad behavior that we find all these explanations. We put our bad temper down to being tired or worries or hungry; we put our good temper to ourselves.

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PNAS - 2012

Title: Morality : A World-wide Norm

The writer believes that some people <sup>do not</sup> believe in law of nature due to the distinct nature of moralities. But, <sup>in fact</sup>, history has always witnessed similar kind of morality with slight variations. There is not a single country in the world where selfishness and wickedness are applauded. Therefore, logically, everyone believes in law of nature because they inherently don't want to violate the rule of law. And, if they do so, they will find justification of their actions.

Idea is generally ok. Structure also ok. Avoid using informal words such as doesn't, don't etc. Write their full form.

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Passage 2 250

## PMS PRÉCIS PASSAGES AND SOLUTIONS

**PMS 2006**

All human beings are liable to err. To be at peace with oneself, the realization of this fact is essential. Humanity is faced with numerous struggles and difficulties. We should view our own problems as part of a universal struggle and brace ourselves to meet every difficulty with fortitude. To be frantic and desperate on such occasions cannot help the situation. Perhaps the greatest folly is for each of us to keep his troubles to himself. Often the path through our worst worries can be made smoother if we seek the guidance of a trusted friend. But there are limits to human wisdom. The only adequate way to endure large evils is to find large consolations. The key to this search is prayer. The faith in a beneficent "Higher Power" can carry us through our most anxious moments. It has cured many people of their diseases and banished melancholy from their hearts. It was faith in God coupled with hard work, which enabled Alexis Carrel to face ridicule and rejection calmly and finally became the recipient of the Nobel Prize. Finally, how much less we should be if we could see our struggle as part of the struggle of a whole creation intent on growth and renewal. By doing so, we not only make our lives easier, but we also add our bit to the sum of human dignity and faith. (231 words)

### **Solution**

No one is perfect, so one should not take one's mistakes to heart. Similarly, we are not alone in facing the difficulties in life. To avoid desperation, we should share our worries with trustworthy friends. However, the best way to overcome challenges is to have faith in God, pray and work hard. Moreover, one should consider one's

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PMS Passage (2006)

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Title: Seeking Help From God

Mistakes are the natural part of everyone's life. It is always good to accept problems and be in peace with oneself.

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Taking a help from friend can also overcome problems. But, the best of all is to seek guidance through prayer. The faith in God does not only overcomes anxiety but also cures other diseases and sadness. So, in order to make a life easier, people should view their problems as a tip of the iceberg of larger universal problems that will eventually lead to growth and development.

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## **Titles**

1. Inspiration, not desperation, key to success
2. Value of hard work and faith.
3. Consolations in desperations

**PMS 2008**

Our instinctive apparatus consists of two parts — the one tending to further our own life and that of our descendants, the other tending to thwart the lives of supposed rivals. The first includes the joy of life, and love and art, which is psychologically an offshoot of love. The second includes the competition, patriotism and war. Conventional morality does everything to suppress the first and encourage the second. True morality would be the exact opposite. Our dealings with those whom we love may be safely left to instinct; it is our dealings with those whom we hate that ought to be brought under the dominion of reason. In the modern world those whom we effectively hate are distant groups, especially foreign nations. We conceive them abstractly, and deceive ourselves into the belief that acts which are really embodiments of hatred are done from love of justice or some such lofty motive. Only a large measure of skepticism can tear away the veils which hide the truth from us. Having achieved that, we could begin to build a new vocabulary, not based on envy and restriction, but on a wish for a full life and the realization that other human beings are a help and not a hindrance when one's madness of envy has been cured. This is not an impossibly austere morality, yet its adoption would turn our earth into a paradise.

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## **Solution**

Two instincts dominate human behaviour; self protection and opposing the rivals. The first promotes happiness and...

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PMS - 2008:-

Title: Role of Morality in Human's Life  
instinct

Humans are designed in a way that values love and also values war. True morality is opposite of conventional morality because it encourages love and discourages war. In dealing with enemies, people usually follow the reasoning than instinct. They believe that hating them is the true justice, whereas, people should believe/realize the fact that enemies or other people are not obstacles but a source of help. Therefore, people must treat their enemy and believe that other humans are a source of help. By <sup>doing</sup> believing this, a world can be made a better place to live.

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