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# English Precise and Composition (2021)

Q: (a) Punctuate the following text,  
where necessary. (5)

## Punctuation:

That familiarity produce neglect  
has been long observed. The effect  
of all external objects, however great  
or splendid, ceases with their novelty.  
The courtier stands without emotion in  
their royal presence. The music  
temples under his foot, the beauties  
of spring with little attention to  
their fragrance. And the inhabitant  
of the coast casts his eyes upon  
the immense diffusion of waters,  
without awe, wonder, or terror.



# English Precis and Composition (2016)

Q: (b) Rewrite the following dialogue, written in indirect speech, in a paragraph form. (5)

## Dialogue:

Helen asked Mr. West what had happened to John, and Mr. West replied that he had left the company. Helen wondered why John had done that, and Mr. West explained that John had requested a raise, but he hadn't granted it. When Helen asked why, Mr. West said it was because John was lazy. Helen then asked if John had found another job, and Mr. West confirmed that he was now working at a film company. Helen inquired about John's salary, and Mr. West thought he earned a significant amount. Finally, Helen asked if John liked his new job, but Mr. West <sup>did not</sup> didn't know.

Avoid informal words such as doesn't, didn't etc.