

## Précis 26: CSS 1997

**Q.2: Make a précis of the following passage and suggest a suitable title.**

Exploration in the Arctic Circle still offers countless opportunities for fresh discoveries, but it is an adventure which is not to be undertaken lightly. As an occupation it is more lonely and remote than anything else in the world and at any moment the traveler must be prepared to encounter hazard and difficulty which call for all his skill and enterprise. Nevertheless, such exploration will be carried as long as there are investigated areas to attract the daring and as long as the quest for knowledge inspires mankind.

Investigations have shown that the Arctic zone is rich in mineral deposits, but even if these deposits were themselves of little value, the economic importance of the Arctic would not be appreciably lessened. For it is generally agreed that "weather is made in the North", and as the success or failure of the harvests all over the world is largely determined by the weather, it follows that agriculture and all those industrial and commercial activities dependent upon it must be considerably affected by the accuracy of the daily weather reports. Modern meteorologists regard the conditions

prevailing in the Arctic as of first-rate importance in helping them to arrive at accurate results in their forecasts.)

(Yet quite apart from any economic or other practical considerations, there is a strange fascination about this vast unconquered region of stern northern beauty. Those who have once entered the vast polar regions like to speak of their inexpressive beauty, the charm of the yellow sun and dazzling ice pack, the everlasting snows and unmapped land where one never knows what lies ahead; it may be a gigantic glacier, which reflects a beam of sunlight over its frozen expanse or some wonderful fantastically shaped cliff which makes an unfading impression on the memory. It may even be an iceberg stately and terrifying, moving on its relentless way, for the Arctic is the birthplace of the great icebergs which threaten navigation.)

## Precis 1997

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The Arctic Zone is of prime importance and its exploration demands special attention. Professional explorers must have skills to tackle the unexpected events. The unexplored areas of Arctic will continue to be a point of attraction for humans. Its economic value cannot be undermined, even if it does not have the wealth of minerals. Many believe that the crops harvesting depends on weather conditioning of the North. Meteorologists study its weather patterns to prepare reports for agricultural and industrial use. Unexplored northern beauty of the Arctic is its another speciality. The explorers define the unexplored area as polar region - a land of ice packs having continuous snowfall. This land ~~might~~ have gigantic glaciers with ice cliffs that leave a mark on human memory. It can be even a moving iceberg that hinders the navigation.

during exploration. Still, Astec is famous for its icebergs and few other specialities.

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Precis words: 145

main idea is picked and discussed  
over all content is fine  
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basics are satisfactory  
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لاہور شہر سیاست ہی نہیں ثقافت کا بھی قدیم مرکز ہے۔ مغلوں کی ثقافت نے عروج کا زمانہ اس شہر میں دیکھا۔ سکھ ثقافت کا بھی یہی مرکز تھا۔ علم و ادب کی ثقافت بھی اسی شہر کے حصہ میں آئی۔ اہل تصوف کا بھی یہی مرکز تھا۔ تصوف کی مشہور کتاب کشف المحجوب کے مصنف حضرت علی ہجویری المشہور حضرت داتا گنج بخش بھی اسی شہر میں مدفون ہیں۔ انگریزوں کے دور میں بھی لاہور کا فیشن پورے ہندوستان میں رائج ہوتا تھا۔ قیام پاکستان کے بعد بھی اس شہر کی اہمیت کم نہیں ہوئی۔

## Translation CSS 2018

Lahore is not only the ancient hub of politics but also the culture. The culture of Mughals witnessed its exaltation in this city. It was also the centre of Sikh culture. The culture of knowledge and power <sup>quite</sup> was also a part of this city. It was also a hub of the Sufis ~~s~~ Hazrat Ali Hujwari, famously known as Hazrat Dara Ganj Baksh, the writer of a famous book "Kashaf-ul-Mehboob" is also buried in this city. During British Raj, the fashion of Lahore was prevalent across Hindustan. The importance of this city did not diminish even after the creation of Pakistan.

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