

PART-II

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Q.No.2 Write a précis of the following and suggest a suitable title: (20)

The illustrious ancients, when they wished to make clear and to propagate the highest virtues in the world, put their states in Proper order. Before putting their states in proper order, they regulated their families. Before regulating their families, they cultivated their own selves. Before cultivating their own selves, they perfected their souls. Before perfecting their souls, they tried to be sincere in their thoughts. Before trying to be sincere in their thoughts, they extended to the utmost their knowledge. Such investigation of knowledge lay in the investigation of things, and in seeing them as out they really were. When things were thus investigated, knowledge became complete. When knowledge was complete, their thoughts became sincere. When their thoughts were sincere, their souls became perfect. When their souls were perfect, their own selves became cultivated. When their selves were cultivated, their families became regulated. When their families were regulated, their states came to be put into proper order. When their states were in proper order, then the whole world became peaceful and happy.

[ Will Durant]

Q.No.3 Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given at the end. (20)

Amidst the tranquil woods of Whispering Pines, an old and mysterious mansion stood, shrouded in legends and enigma. The locals spoke of its haunted past, recounting eerie tales of ghostly apparitions that roamed the hallways at night. Curiosity and fear clashed in the hearts of those who dared to approach its formidable gates, the wrought-iron fence entwined with ivy that seemed to breathe with a life of its own. One summer's day, four intrepid friends, Ellie, Max, Sarah, and Alex, decided to unravel the secrets of the mansion that had intrigued them for years. Armed with flashlights and brave determination, they ventured forth to explore the abandoned residence. The creaking floors echoed with each cautious step as they made their way through dimly lit corridors, half-expecting spirits to materialize before them. As they reached the dilapidated library, a hidden gem amidst the decaying architecture, they stumbled upon an ancient book, its pages filled with cryptic symbols and arcane texts. Intrigued, they began deciphering the forgotten language, their hearts pounding in excitement and trepidation. Little did they know that the very act of unlocking the book's secrets would set in motion a series of events that would forever alter the course of their lives. With each page they unraveled, a potent energy seemed to surge through the mansion, causing the air to crackle with an otherworldly electricity. As the night wore on, the mansion's walls seemed to whisper long-forgotten tales, and shadows danced to an unseen symphony. The four friends were now entangled in a tapestry of ancient lore, their curiosity turning into a thirst for understanding the mansion's enigmatic history.

Questions: (4 marks each)

- (i) Where is the mansion located, and how is it described?
- (ii) What legends surround the mansion, and how do the locals feel about it?
- (iii) Who are the four friends, and what is their motivation to explore the mansion?
- (iv) What significant discovery do they make in the library, and what could it reveal about the mansion's past?
- (v) How do the events of the night impact the four friends, and what mysterious energy seems to be unleashed as they delve into the mansion's secrets?

## ( Question #2 )

Precis:

" Pathway from Knowledge to World Peace "

According to <sup>the</sup> author, <sup>the</sup> illustrious ancients organized themselves in proper order ~~who wished to be reputed ones~~. However, prior they passed series of self improvement & knowledge. Utmost knowledge <sup>was</sup> gained by investigation of things that ultimately completed their knowledge. Resultantly, this completion of knowledge ~~of themselves~~ flourished ~~families~~ and regulated families, they were put into proper order. ~~Meaningfully~~ <sup>Conclusively</sup> whole world was peaceful and happy.

Avoid cutting. A little disjointed effort. Re-attempt.

Word count of precis = 63

Total words = 172

What are the sequential steps that have been discussed in the passage?

- (Q.3) -

Comprehension and questions:

i) Answer:

You are allowed to submit only one question in one pdf. The remaining questions may be submitted in separate pdfs.

The mysterious mansion <sup>was</sup> located in the forest of Whispering Pines. It is described as mysterious, haunted mansion with stories of fearful ghost appearances that roamed the hallways <sup>of mansion</sup> at night. The wrought-iron fence ~~to~~ that was intertwining in itself. ~~At these~~

> Answer:

Mansion is shrouded in legends of ghostly appearances, haunted past, wrought iron fence that itself is perceived as first sign to stop themselves from entering. Locals are very curious and fearful as well and avoid the curiosity overpowering to be safe from fears of haunted and deserted mansion in Whispering Pines forest.

iii) Answer:

Four intrepid friends named Ellie, Max, Sarah and Alex ~~were~~ who explored the mansion. Their years of curiosity overpowered them in a motivation to unconceal the secrets of isolated mansion.

iv) Answer:

In dilapidated library they made important discovery of ancient book. This book could reveal about the mystery of the mansion through its pages that were filled with cryptic symbols and arcane texts of forgotten language.

v) Answer:

The events of potent energy surging with every page revealing caused otherworldly electricity impacted four friends that altered forever course of their lives.

This mysterious energy of otherworldly  
electricity seems to be unleashing secrets  
of mansion causing air to crackle.

## - (Question #7) -

### Translation:-

A person with ability to make people understand his emotions in any way can get rid of ~~heart~~ heavy heart. A person who is unable to make people understand is actually himself not understanding it, this makes him relatable to a person who is trying to puke ~~anything~~ stuck in his throat however it is further escalating downward. This psychological ~~disaster~~ can not explained in words -

**Q.No.7** Translate the following into English by keeping in view figurative/idiomatic expressions.

خاص جو اپنے احساسات کو کسی بھی شکل میں پیش کر کے دوسرے کے ذہن میں منتقل کر سکتا ہے وہ دراصل اپنے دل کا بوجھ ہلکا کرنے کی کا مالک ہے۔ اور وہ شخص جو محسوس کرتا ہے مگر اپنے احساس کو خود آپ اچھی طرح نہیں سمجھتا اور پھر اس اضطراب کو بیان کرنے میں رکھتا ہو تو وہ ایسے شخص کے مترادف ہے جو اپنے حلق میں ٹھنسی ہوئی چیز کو باہر نکالنے کی کوشش کر رہا ہے مگر وہ گلے بجے اترتی جارہی ہو۔ یہ ایک ذہنی عذاب ہے جس کی تفصیل لفظوں میں نہیں بیان کی جاسکتی۔