

Q. 2. Write a précis of the following passage and suggest a suitable title: (20)

In the heart of bustling cities, urban green spaces stand as oases of tranquility, providing respite from the hustle and bustle. Parks, adorned with vibrant flora, become havens for relaxation and recreation. The greenery offers a sanctuary for diverse wildlife, creating a delicate balance between urban development and environmental preservation. Beyond their aesthetic appeal, city parks play a crucial role in fostering community bonds. Families gather for picnics, friends engage in sports, and individuals find solace amidst nature's embrace. These communal spaces serve as venues for cultural events, open-air concerts, and art installations, enriching the urban experience. The benefits of urban green spaces extend beyond leisure. They contribute to improved air quality, mitigate the urban heat island effect, and promote overall well-being. Access to nature within city limits becomes a vital aspect of mental health, offering a refuge for introspection and rejuvenation. However, the challenge lies in balancing the increasing urbanization with the preservation of green spaces. Sustainable urban planning becomes imperative to ensure the coexistence of concrete jungles and natural havens. Efforts to create and maintain parks, tree-lined avenues, and green rooftops become integral components of shaping cities that prioritize both human and environmental health. As cities evolve, the preservation and enhancement of urban green spaces become a shared responsibility. The vision is to cultivate urban landscapes that seamlessly integrate nature into the tapestry of city life, fostering a sustainable and harmonious cohabitation between human progress and the environment.

Advantages of Urban Green Spaces

Urban green spaces provide calmness in busy cities. Parks become a source of relaxation. Offering protection to wildlife, this greenery ~~acts~~ balances urban development and environmental preservation. Besides ~~the~~ aesthetic, they also play a role in increasing community bonds by allowing people to gather. They are also venues of cultural events, fostering urban experience. Besides leisure, they also contribute to overall well-being. However, challenges lies with balancing increasing urbanization with greenery. Sustainable urban planning is crucial to maintain both human and environmental health, aiming for harmonious coexistence between urban development and nature.

ENGLISH (PRECIS & COMPOSITION)

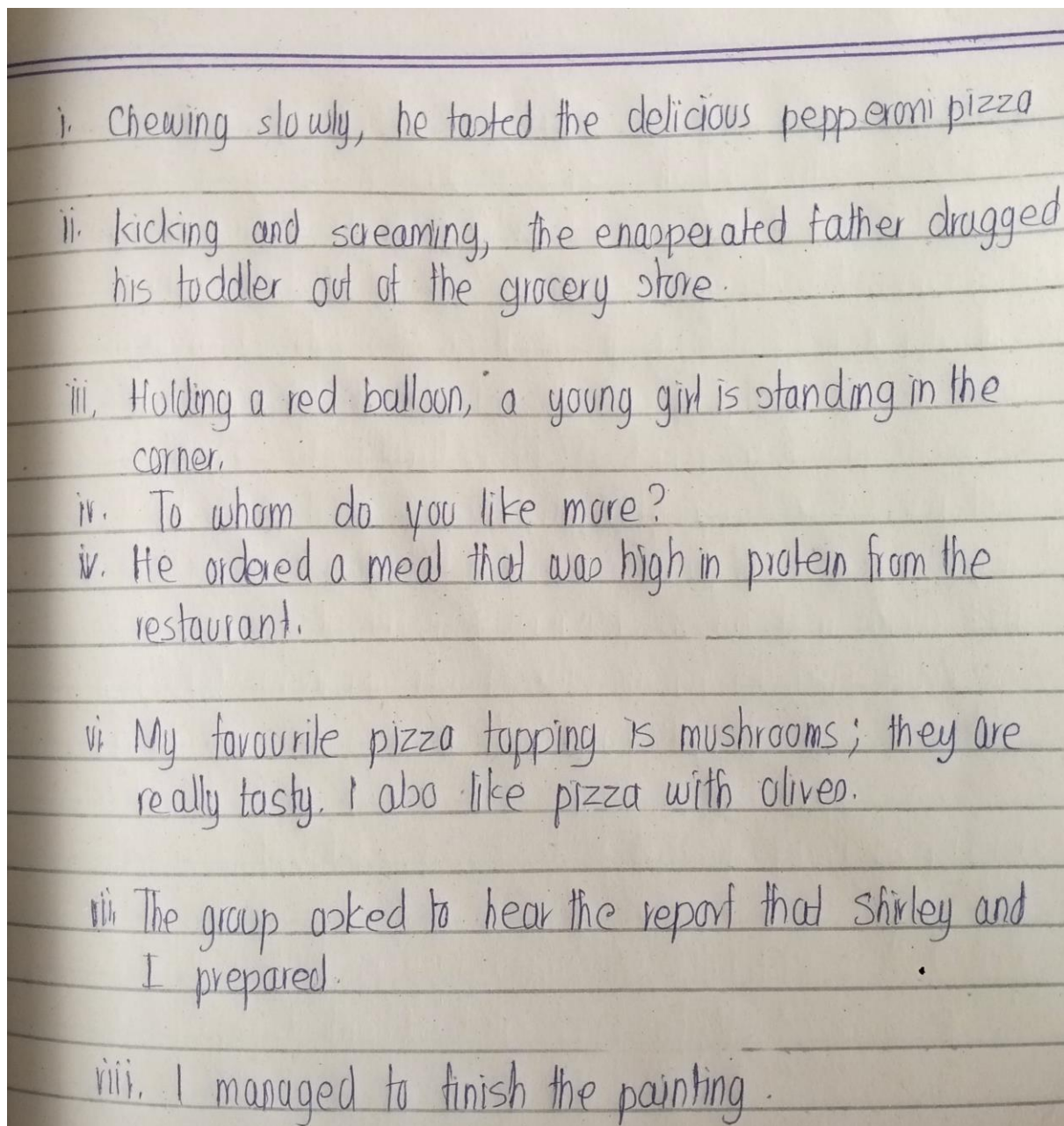
Q. 4. Correct only FIVE of the following: (10)

- (i) Chewing slowly, the pepperoni pizza tasted delicious
- (ii) Kicking and screaming, the exasperated father dragged his toddler out of the grocery store.
- (iii) A young girl in the corner, holding a red balloon.
- (iv) Whom do you like more?
- (v) He ordered a meal from the restaurant that was high in protein.
- (vi) My favorite pizza topping is mushrooms they are really tasty I also like pizza with olives.
- (vii) The group asked to hear the report that Shirley and me prepared.
- (viii) I managed finishing the painting.

Q. 5. Rewrite any FIVE of the following sentences with corrected punctuation, without splitting a sentence or adding/changing any word. (05)

- (i) The cordless vacuum one of the least interesting of the household appliances got its start as a moon drill.
- (ii) Dr. Seuss books are famous for their delightful rhymes and nonsense words If I Ran a Zoo, however, likely gave us the real word nerd.
- (iii) There are many theories about Edgar Allan Poe's mysterious death, including rabies, alcoholism, and a truly strange possibility he may have been a victim of a voter fraud scheme.
- (iv) The film critic said, "One of the most misquoted lines in movie history is Play it again, Sam."
- (v) Poorly named animals include: the flying fox, which is really a bat the electric eel, which is really a knifefish and the honey badger, which is the only member of its genus and species!
- (vi) The Haskell Opera House sits right on the US Canadian border with the stage in Quebec and many of the seats in Vermont.
- (vii) Most carnivorous plants attract and digest insects and other invertebrates but some large pitcher plants have been known to digest frogs, rodents, and other vertebrates.
- (viii) Harvey is a good driver moreover he is a very friendly one.

Correction of sentences



Punctuation errors

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