

PART-II

Q. 2. Write a précis of the following passage in about 120 words and also suggest a suitable title: Obvious (20)

It is in the temperate countries of northern Europe that the beneficial effects of cold are most manifest. A cold climate seems to ^{restore} stimulate energy by acting as an obstacle. In the face of an ^{unbearable} insuperable obstacle our energies are numbed by despair; the total absence of obstacles, on the other hand leaves no room for the exercise and training of energy; but a struggle against difficulties that we have a fair hope of over-coming, calls into active operation all our powers. In like manner, while intense cold numbs human energies, and a hot climate affords little motive for ^{effort} exertion, moderate cold seems to have a ^{energizing, refreshing} bracing effect on the human race. In a moderately cold climate man is engaged in an ^{hard} arduous, but no hopeless struggles and with the ^{harshness/severity} inclemency of the weather. He has to build strong houses and ^{obtain} procure thick clothes to keep himself warm. To supply fuel for his fires, he must ^{cut} hew down trees and dig coal out of the earth. In the open air, unless he moves quickly, he will suffer pain from the biting wind. Finally, in order to replenish the expenditure of bodily tissue caused by his necessary exertions, he has to procure for himself plenty of nourishing food.

Quite different is the lot of man in the tropics. In the neighbourhood of the equator there is little need of clothes or fire, and it is possible with perfect comfort and no danger to health, to pass the livelong day stretched out on the bare ground beneath the shade of a tree. A very little fruit or vegetable food is required to sustain life under such circumstances, and that little can be obtained without much exertion from the bounteous earth.

We may recognize must the same difference between ourselves at different seasons of the year, as there is between human nature in the tropics and in temperate climes. In hot weather we are generally ^{relaxed} languid and inclined to take life easily; but when the cold season comes, we find that we are more inclined to vigorous exertion of our minds and bodies.

Preci 2018 : Write preci in 120 words.

Effects of Climate on Human Life

Cold weather has beneficial effect on the people residing in the temperate ~~regions~~ countries of the northern Europe.

The effect of weather is different on humans in different regions. In cold weather, people find it hard to carry out their daily life activities. They wear warm clothes and use different sources in order to keep themselves warm.

They eat healthy food to bear the severity of the weather. On the other hand, people who live in the hot region, experience differently. They are more energetic and require little sources to keep themselves warm. This interplay of hot and cold weather produce distinct effects on human life. In hot weather life is easy as compare to cold climate.

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Preci Words = 116

Q.3. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given at the end.

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The majority of people have always lived simply, and most of humanity still struggles on a daily basis to eke out a meager existence under dire circumstances. Only in affluent industrialized countries do people have the luxury of more goods and services than they need to survive. (On the basis of material wealth, North Americans and Europeans should be the happiest people on earth, but according to the 2012 Happy Planet Index (HPI), they are not.) Surprisingly, what had begun as an experimental lifestyle evolved into a quiet revolution that spread the word through books such as Duane Elgin's best-selling *Voluntary Simplicity: Toward a Way of Life that is Outwardly Simple, Inwardly Rich* (1981), as well as numerous magazines, alternative communities of the like-minded, and, later, Internet websites. Combined with a growing awareness of the environmental consequences of consumerism, (the voluntary simplicity movement sought to reduce the consumption of goods and energy and to minimize one's personal impact on the environment. "Voluntary" denotes a free and conscious choice to make appropriate changes that will enrich life in a deeper, spiritual sense. "Simplicity" refers to the lack of clutter, that is, eliminating all those things, patterns, habits, and ideas that take control of our lives and distract us from our inner selves.) However, this is not to be confused with poverty, which is involuntary, degrading, and debilitating. Neither does it mean that people must live on a farm or reject progress or technology, or do without what is necessary for their comfort and welfare. To practice voluntary simplicity, one must differentiate between what one wants (psychological desires) and what one needs (basic requirements of life), and seek a healthy balance that is compatible with both. (In a consumer society where advertising bombards us with the message that without this, that, and the other product, we are unsuccessful, undesirable, and unimportant, being clear on what you really need and resisting what you don't can be an ongoing struggle. The beauty of voluntary simplicity is that it is a philosophy, and not a dogma.) How one goes about it depends on individual character, cultural background, and climate. For this, three Rs (i.e., Reduce, Recycle & Reuse) represent the best way to get a handle on rampant consumerism. (In economies driven by the quest for ever more, living with less is erroneously equated with poverty and social inferiority.) By conserving energy, for instance, you are actually ensuring that more resources are available for future use. By making a frugal budget and sticking to it, you can eliminate unnecessary expenses. Recycling paper, metal, plastic, and glass and reusing building materials and old clothing keep materials in the loop and out of landfills. Pooling skills and resources through barter networks not only saves money, but sharing with others establishes bonds and fosters a sense of community. With the glut of cheap goods that are usually designed for obsolescence, quality products that last are becoming progressively harder to find. In the long run, a more expensive but durable and repairable item or even an older used item that is still in good condition is a better investment than a brand new piece of junk that will only break down and end up in the trash. Thus, (at the heart of voluntary simplicity is the conscious realization that less is really more.) Less consumption means more resources for future generations. Less activity that brings little satisfaction or reward is more time for yourself and your loved ones. Less stuff is more space to move around in. Less stress means more relaxation and better health (Less worry provides more enjoyment and more fulfillment in life.)

Reading Comprehension (CSS 2023)

Q:1 How important is happiness to most people, and what is the relationship between material wealth and happiness?

Ans: Most of the people consider material pursuits as their ultimate source of happiness in the realm of this consumeristic society. Furthermore, the relationship between material wealth and happiness is that material aspects does not guarantee happiness. In order to elucidate, many western countries should be the happiest countries in terms of material wealth but it is not true.

Q:2 How does the author characterize the concept of 'Voluntary Simplicity' as a movement and as a philosophy?

Ans: The concept of 'Voluntary Simplicity' as a movement and as a philosophy is that it is about drawing a line between desires and needs of a person. It is about eliminating all those unnecessary desires that take away our peace in thirst of getting more and more.

Q:3 What impact is feared by the

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growing consumerism of modern society?

Ans: The growing consumerism of modern society impacts our life in a way that we assume that our life is ~~im~~ incomplete and we do not become a civilized and successful member of a society without material luxuries. This leads toward more competition, more stress and more despair among people in the society.

Q:4 What influences make it difficult for people to reduce their consumption patterns?

Ans: The influences that make it difficult for people to reduce their consumption patterns are the sense of poverty if they start living a simple life. Furthermore, the fear that people will consider them inferior in terms of financial status if they follow the pattern of voluntary simplicity.

Q:5 What are the challenges and rewards of voluntary simplicity?

Ans: The challenges of voluntary simplicity include the lack of ability to differentiate between desires and wants. The quest of getting more and

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more in order to get fitted in a consumeristic society. Furthermore, the rewards include the satisfaction of inner self, less stress and less anxiety and the sense of happiness on what one acquires.

By following the patterns of voluntary simplicity, one can acquire mental and spiritual peace.

Q: Punctuate the following.

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While taking a nap on the porch, one hot summer day, Hodga dreamed that a stranger promised to give him ten pieces of gold. The stranger placed them in hodgas hand one by one until he reached the tenth piece which he hesitated to give him. "Come on! What are you waiting for," said hodga. "You promised me ten." Just then, he woke up, he immediately looked at his hand and saw that it was empty. He quickly shut his eyes, again stretched out his hand, and said, "All right! I'll settle for nine."

Q: Fill in the blanks with appropriate (b) prepositions.

1. The neighbours came into my house to see what's going on in the house.
2. She sat under the shade of the tree.
3. The moon does not shine with its own light.
4. The burglar jumped off the compound wall.
5. She entered into an agreement

Correction of Errors.

1- His knowledge of languages and international relations aid him in his work.
His knowledge of languages and international relations aids him in his work.

2- The ambassador, with his family and staff, invite you to a reception at the embassy on Tuesday afternoon.

The ambassador, with his family and staff, invites you to a reception at the embassy on Tuesday afternoon.

3- This year, he will sit in the CSS examination.
This year, he will appear for the CSS examination.

4- The Chief Executive will let us know whether or not he can attend the meeting.

The Chief Executive will let us know whether or not he can attend the meeting.

5- When he came back from vacation, Aslam and me plan to look for another apartment.

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6- If some of you make a noise, they shall be punished.

If some of you make a noise, they shall be punished.

7- He came to me to enquire what is the salary attached to the appointment.

He came to me to enquire about the

salary attached to the appointment

viii- I am too tired that I do not hunt words and idioms in my English book.
I am too tired that I cannot hunt words and idioms in my English book.

Q: Use pair of words in sentences.

1- Antic : Silly Act.

You should be matured now because your friends do not like your ~~silly~~ antic behaviour anymore.

Antique: Old and valuable things
She does not like modern jewellery because of her affection towards antique

2- Draught : A current of cool air in a room or other confined place.

The severity of weather decreases in the desert after gentle draught starts blowing.

Drought : Low rainfall leading to shortage of water
People are dying especially children because of the prolonged drought.

3- Quaint : Unusual or old fashioned.
~~People~~ Sara's friends do not

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her

admire ^ dressing style because of her quaint collection and choice.

Queer: Strange or odd.

She looks alike a queer after wearing top and skirt in traditional village.

4- Momentary: Lasting for a very short period of time.

The arrival of the guest speaker was momentary for the audiences who were waiting for a long time.

Momentous: of great importance or significance.

China - Pakistan Economic Corridor holds momentous position not only for Pakistan but also for the entire South-Asian region.

5- Compliment: Praise or admiration.

The manager complimented her employee for exceptional performance in the project.

Complement: Something that goes well with something else.

His thick pitch of voice complemented well with his provoking speech.

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Eminent : Famous and respected.

Mary Wollstonecraft was an eminent feminist who worked for the empowerment of women and their emancipation.

Imminent : About to happen.

Revolutions might be imminent in those countries which are experiencing the political instability.

vii- **Faint** : Lacking strength or clarity.

He got fainted after hearing the news of her brother's demise.

Feint : A deceptive or pretended blow.

His last feinted move was a ~~the~~ turning point for him and after that he won the title.

viii- **Immigrant** : Someone entering a country.

She got enthusiastic after she found her brother in the list of immigrants.

Emigrant : A person who is leaving their home country.

An increase in the number of emigrants is a proof about the bad economic condition of the country.

7. Translate the following into English by keeping in view figurative/idiomatic expressions. (10)

بزرگ نے بتایا کہ جنگل کے پار ایک پہاڑ ہے جہاں وہ پھول اگتا ہے جس کی خوشبو سے
آنکھوں کی کھوئی ہوئی روشنی لوٹ آتی ہے، مگر پہاڑ بہت بلند ہے اور اس پر بے شمار
چٹانیں ہیں، کانٹے دار جھاڑیاں ہیں اور بڑے بڑے پتھر ہیں جو راستہ روک لیتے ہیں۔ اس پہاڑ
پر جانے کے لیے کئی لوگ آئے اور چلے گئے مگر ایسا کوئی شخص نہیں آیا جو پھول تک
پہنچا ہو۔ شاید اسی لیے دنیا میں دکھ اور تکلیف ہے اور انسان روشنی کی تلاش میں ہے۔

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Q: 7 Translate the passage.

The old man inform that there is a mountain across jungle. where that flower grows which smell restore the ~~the~~ vision of eyes. However, that mountain is so tall. and it consists of various rocks, shrubs and huge stones that block the pathway. Many people have tried to scale that mountain but no one gain access to that flower. Probably, this is the reason of sorrows and miseries in the world and man is in search of light.

