

# English (Precis & Comprehension)

## Question. 4

1a)

Correct any five of the following

(i) We were staying at my sister's cap's code vacation home

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(ii) She recommended me that I take a few days off from work.

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(iii) I tried to explain him the problem but he had difficulty understanding me. had

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(iv) "I'll do the grocery shopping for you grandma," Lucy said.

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(viii) Don't run! Mr. Salim shouted.  
 Mr. Salim shouted, "Don't run!"

(b) (i) "It is not fair!", shouted Martin.  
 "Coach Lewis never lets me start the game."

(ii) Maureen's three sisters: Molly, Shannon, and Patricia are all spending the summer at their grandmother's beach house.

(iii) For the centerpiece, the florist recommended the following flowers: daisies, tulips, daffodils, and hyacinths.

(iv) Lily is an accomplished gymnast. She won three medals in her last competition.

(v) Everyone was shocked when Max Smithfield, a studious, extremely bright high school senior, decided that college was not for him.

1.5(a) Choose the analogy of the words written in capital letters

(i) SLAPSTICK : LAUGHTER

(c) Stair: Anger

(iii) PROFESSOR: ERUDITE

(b) Inventor: Imaginative

(v) SPY: CLANDESTINE

(a) Shepherd: Garrulous

(vi) VERVE: ENTHUSIASM

(d) Eminence: Anonymity

(vii) DELTOID: MUSCLE

Brain: Nerve

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

Helen asked Mr West about John. Mr West told her that he had left the job. Helen was surprised and asked him a reason. He told her that John was demanding rise in pay but he didn't give him a rise. When Helen asked him a reason he told that John was lazy. On question about his new job Mr. West told her that he was working in a film company and earn quite alot. When Helen asked about

John's interest in his new job he told her that he didn't know any thing about this.

Q.6 1a) Explain the difference between the following word pairs by using each word in your own sentences.

(i) Adverse, Averse

**Adverse:**

The company's financial situation took an adverse turn due to the economic downturn.

**Averse:**

She is averse to taking risks, so she always chooses the safest option.

(ii) Altogether, All-together

**Altogether:**

The concert was altogether too loud, and my ears are still ringing.

**All-together**

The family gathered all together for the holiday dinner.

(i) Braise, Braze

**Braise:**

To cook the pot roast, braise it in liquid on low heat for several hours.

**Braze:**

The welder used a torch to braze the metal pieces together.

(ii) Curb, kerb

**Curb:**

The city installed a new curb along the sidewalk to improve accessibility.

**Kerb:**

The kerb outside the shop was damaged and needed repair.

(iii) Faze, Phase

**Faze:**

The news didn't faze her, and she continued with her plans.

**Phase:**

The company is in the development phase of their new product.

(b) Use the five of the following in sentences which illustrate their meaning.

(i) Smash hit

The new musical was a smash hit, selling out every night for months.

(ii) Murphy's law

As soon as I left the house, it started raining - Murphy's law was in full effect.

(iii) Place in the sun

After years of hard work, she finally found her place in the sun as a leading expert in her field.

(iv) Wooden spoon:-

The team that came last in the tournament was awarded the wooden spoon, a humorous consolation prize.

(v) Go Bananas

When she found out she won the lottery, she went bananas, screaming with excitement and jumping up and down.

Q.7 Translate the following Urdu paragraph into English by keeping in view figurative/idiomatic expression.

عام لوگوں کا خیال ہے کہ ملک کے قانون اور فرد کی آزادی ایک دوسرے کا تھمہ ہوتے ہیں۔ - رظا میر بہاری کے غلام مصدوم نے لکھا ہے۔  
 ہر قانون پندرہ لوگوں کو آزادی کا بند لگا کر بنا دیا جاتا ہے۔ اگر ملک میں اقوامین کی تعداد زیادہ ہو تو چھوٹی چھوٹی پابندیاں بھی زیادہ ہوتی ہیں۔ زیادہ پابندیوں سے فرد کی آزادی ان کے لیے بوجھ بن جاتی ہے۔ اس کے برعکس قوانین کی تعداد کم ہو تو شہریوں کی آزادی کا دائرہ وسیع ہوتا ہے۔

It is opinion of ordinary people that country's laws and person's freedom are apostal of each other. Appaxantly, it does not seen wrong. Every law restricte the citizens in some way. If number of laws are more in country, restrictions are also increases. Restrictions curb the freedom of a person. Instead of this, if laws are in less number, circle of citizen's freedom will be waste.

**Q.3** Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow

Q.3 Why most of us fail in our efforts for self improvement?

Most of us fail in our self-improvement because our schemes are too ambitious and we never have time to carry them out.

(ii) Why is it a basic mistake to announce our resolution to everybody?  
 It is our basic mistake that we announce our resolution to everybody because latter we did not act like we decided to do and when we slip back into our bad old days we look even more foolish, and make fun for ourselves.

(iii) Why did the writer not carry out his resolution to everybody?

Writer did not carry out his resolution to everybody because he fended off the taunts and jibes of the family good humoredly and soon everybody got used to the idea.

(iv) Find out the words in the above passage which convey the similar meaning to the following

(1) intimidating

(2) peril

(3) dwindle

(4) repel

(5) barb



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Q.2 Write a precis of the following passage in about 120 words and suggest a suitable title.

### Authors Tour To Cherokee

Author faced difficulty in choosing any place for tour because he did not want to go any rush place. He got excited when his friend told him about Cherokee tour. Author and his friends reached Qualla Boundary by flight and got stunned by seeing amazing beauty of town. Despite language difference, they found a shop from where they can buy things for their need. At shop, they met person, George and got surprised by his fluent English. George invite them on dinner where he told them about his wood-

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cutting profession. They also learnt that cherokees used to do multiple jobs for survive. Last stop of tour is meuseum where they enjoy cherokee's culture. After coming back author missed the place and think about his next tour.

Total words = 125.