

# English: Precis & Composition

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## Hollowness of Modern Pursuits #78

Although modern civilization flaunts itself by rapid progress and materialism, it suffers from a hidden moral decline.

The endless pursuit of worldly desires has overshadowed character and conscience. Things that were once embedded in virtue have surrendered to the material gains. In a world where profit overturns principle and relationship are valued for their usefulness, trust is diminishing and intellect often misused. Virtues like honesty and humility are frowned upon. Society neglects introspection and ethics in its pursuit of materialism. Without any moral progress, any other achievement might be humanity's downfall.

downfall of humanity

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Indent the paragraph.

## Comprehension

1) Arab leaders changed their attitudes towards Pakistan after the conflict because they were deeply impressed by Pakistan's competence in digital warfare and its discipline. The conduct during the confrontation - The shift in perception led them to view Pakistan as a formidable power in the region, transforming their earlier attitude of disregard into strategic interest.

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

2) It had a magnanimous psychological impact on India. The cyber attacks disrupted their command systems, disabled satellite networks and paralyzed all communications. This spread a panic in the capital and created weakness in the heart of India.

If Pakistan had not launched its digital warfare campaign after the missile retaliation the conflict might have increased and entered nuclear territory. India could have struck harder with attack on major cities and in retaliation Pakistan might have to use all its sources, including Nuclear warfare.

ii) Digital Warfare proved to be more decisive because it not only neutralized enemy capabilities silently and without any outcry from the world. It also changed the perspective of the world.

! The event of 10<sup>th</sup> May 2025 revealed that power no longer is based on military and airforce, but increasingly by the digital capability of the nation. Nations that are equipped by both technology and strategic strength can lead their nation to peace and stability.

Correct any **FIVE** of the following sentences

- (i) Standing in the line, we could hear a thunder storm.
- (ii) She would rather read a book than watch television.
- (iii) A five-foot-long snake was killed by the villagers.
- (iv) Not only was he a thief but he was also a murderer.
- (v) I won the race against him.

### Punctuation of the given passage

As the rain poured down over the flooded city, Adeel whispered to his friend, "Did you hear what mayor said today?" His friend looked puzzled and asked, "What did he say?" Adeel replied, "He said, 'We ignored warning's for years, and now the city is paying the price.' Those were his exact words." People around them sighed, and one man muttered, "It is strange how leaders only speak the truth when disaster strike?"

### Re-write the following sentences.

- (i) The glass broke into pieces.
- (ii) He persisted in the teeth of overwhelming opposition.
- (iii) She is married to him.
- (iv) Prop this bicycle against the wall.
- (v) He is sitting in the shade of tree.

use any FIVE idioms in Sentence

Throw cold water on

My mother threw <sup>Cold</sup> water on my Party plan by reminding me of upcoming exams.

Move heaven and earth

He moved heaven and earth to find his lost daughter.

Clutch at straws

After failing intermediate exams, he started clutching at straws by blaming the examiners.

Cry over spilt milk

After failing test, you should focus on next preparation instead of crying over spilt milk.

Build castles in the air

Instead of working hard, he always build castles in the air.

# Translation

Margaret is an elderly woman who visits the embankment train station in London every day just to hear the announcement "Mind the gap" in the voice of her late husband, Oswald Lawrence. The announcement was originally recorded in the 1970s and after Oswald's death, listening to it made Margaret feel close to him.

In 2012, when the voice was replaced by an electronic recording, Margaret contacted Transport for London. When the organization learned about her story and emotions, they decided to reinstate Oswald's voice at the embankment station. Now, the daily announcement is once again made in that beloved voice.