

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

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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.

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Green Spaces: Nature in the City

Urban green spaces offer peaceful retreat amidst city chaos, supporting relaxation, recreation, and wildlife. Beyond Beauty, parks foster community through gatherings and cultural events, while also improving air quality, reducing heat, and enhancing mental health. As cities expand, preserving greenery becomes essential through sustainable planning. Initiatives like parks, green rooftops, and tree-lined streets help balance urban growth and environmental care. The future lies in integrating nature into urban life, ensuring well-being and ecological harmony in evolving landscapes.

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

جب فلسطین کا خود ساختہ تنازعہ تصفیہ کیلئے اقوام متحدہ کے روبرو پیش ہوا تو اس نمائندہ عالمی ادارے نے فلسطینی عوام کے حق خودارادیت کو تسلیم کرتے ہوئے ان مسائل کے حل کا فارمولا بھی خود طے کیا تنازعہ فلسطین کا دو ریاستی حل تجویز کیا گیا مگر اس کیلئے منظور ہونیوالی اقوام متحدہ کی قراردادوں پر گزشتہ سات دہائیوں میں عملدرآمد کی نوبت ہی نہیں آنے دی گئی اس کے برعکس امریکہ کی ایماء پر اسرائیلی فوجیں آج کے دن تک نہتے اور بے گناہ معصوم فلسطینیوں کے خون سے ہولی کھیل رہی ہیں اور غزہ کا علاقہ گزشتہ اڑھائی ماہ سے جاری جنگ میں مکمل طور پر برباد ہو چکا ہے۔ اس جنگ میں امریکی کمک کے ساتھ اسرائیلی فوجوں نے 20 ہزار سے زائد فلسطینیوں بشمول خواتین اور بچوں کو بے دردی سے شہید کیا ہے اور زندہ بچ جانے والے انسانوں کیلئے کوئی ٹھکانہ محفوظ نہیں رہنے دیا جو اب خوراک اور ادویات کی کمیابی کے باعث بھی زندگی سے ہاتھ دھو رہے ہیں

Translation (2024)

When the deliberate conflict of Israel Palestine was presented before the United Nations, it recognized the right of self-determination for the Palestinians and proposed a solution to the issue. Two state solution was accepted in UNO but there has been no implementation of it from seven decades. In fact, with the support of USA, Israeli forces are massacring innocent civilians to date and the recent escalation from two and a half months has turned Gaza into a rubble. In this war, the Israeli army has slaughtered over 20 twenty thousand Palestinians including women and children and the rest that are left have become homeless and are dying from hunger and thirst.