

**FEDERAL PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
COMPETITIVE EXAMINATION FOR
RECRUITMENT TO POSTS IN BPS-17 UNDER
THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, 2004
ENGLISH (Précis & Composition)**

TIME ALLOWED: 3 HOURS..... Maximum Marks: 100

Q1. Make a précis of the given passage and suggest a suitable heading:

We're dealing with a very dramatic and very fundamental paradigm shift here. You may try to lubricate your social interactions with personality techniques and skills, but in the process, you may truncate the vital character base. You can't have the fruits without the roots. It's the principle of sequencing: Private victory precedes Public Victory. Self-mastery and self-discipline are the foundation of good relationship with others. Some people say that you have to like yourself before you can like others. I think' that idea has merit but if you don't know yourself, if you don't control yourself, if you don't have mastery over yourself, it's very hard to like yourself, except in some short-term, psychic, superficial way. Real self-respect comes from dominion over self from true independence. Independence is an achievement. Inter dependence is a choice only independent people can make. Unless we are willing to achieve real independence, it's foolish to try to develop human relations skills. We might try. We might even have some degree of success when the sun is shining. But when the difficult times come - and they will - We won't have the foundation to keep things together. The most important ingredient we put into any relationship is not what we say or what we do, but what we are. And if our words and our actions come from superficial human relations techniques (the Personality Ethic) rather than from our own inner core (the character Ethic), others will sense that duplicity. We simply won't be able to create and sustain the foundation necessary" for effective interdependence. The techniques and skills that really make a difference in human interaction are the ones that almost naturally flow from a truly independent character. So the place to begin building any relationship is inside ourselves, inside our Circle of Influence, our own character. As we become independent - Proactive, centered in correct principles, value driven and able to organize and execute around the priorities in our life with integrity - we then can choose to become interdependent - capable of building rich, enduring, highly productive relationships with other people.

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Precis: 2004

Title: Personal Growth and Sustainable relationship in a society

Attractive personality may develop relationships with the people for a short term, but it requires character building to continue them ~~in~~ for a long run. Without genuine efforts in self-development, one can never stand out in the public. For this purpose, self-discovery and admiration are necessary. To admire oneself, a person needs to explore his own personality, control ~~in~~ his desires, and struggle for improvement. It ensures independence in a society without which relationships with the people remain temporary that easily break during hardships. Hence, the real growth is achieved with moral values, character building and not with the words or mere actions. Only then, a personality becomes influential in reality that outshines in a society and builds strong relationships with the people.

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Idea and grammar are ok. Avoid cutting.