

Q.2: Make a précis of the following passage in your own words reducing it to one third of its length (about 105 words). No credit will be given for exact reproduction of sentences from the given passage. Provide a relevant title. (20)

Neither misery nor folly seems to me any part of the inevitable lot of man. And I am convinced that intelligence, patience, and eloquence can, sooner or later, lead the human race out of its self-imposed tortures provided it does not exterminate itself meanwhile. On the basis of this belief. I have had always a certain degree of optimism, although, as I have grown older, the optimism has grown more sober and the happy issue more distant. But I remain completely incapable of agreeing with those who accept fatalistically the view that man is born to trouble. The causes of unhappiness in the past and, in the present are not difficult to ascertain. There have been poverty, pestilence, and famine, which were due to man's inadequate mastery of nature. There have been wars, oppressions and tortures which have

been due to men's hostility to their fellow men. And there have been morbid miseries fostered by gloomy creeds, which have led men into profound inner discords that made all outward prosperity of no avail. All these are unnecessary. In regard to all of them, means are known by which they can be overcome. In the modern world, if communities are unhappy, it is because they choose to be so. Or, to speak more precisely, because they have ignorances, habits, beliefs, and passions, which are dearer to them than happiness or even life. I find many men in our dangerous age who seem to be in love with misery and death, and who grow angry when hopes are suggested to them. They think that hope is irrational and that, in sitting down to lazy despair, they are merely facing facts. I cannot agree with these men. To preserve hope in our world makes calls upon our intelligence and our energy. In those who despair it is very frequently the energy that is lacking.

## Title: hope and human destiny

Misery and foolishness are not the parts of human destiny. People think that they are born to face trouble because of their destiny and facing challenges like poverty ,famine, pestilence war, and oppression but actually these all are their engraved ignorance and hopelessness rather than destiny . people can overcome from these troubles by using their intelligence , patience and eloquence but People are prone to hopelessness and love to misery as they don't want to overcome from this situation . True progress requires optimism, wisdom, and tireless effort. Hence, man's future depends not on fatalism but on his ability to preserve hope through intelligence and active struggle.