

## Comprehension 2

Q#3

### Answer 1

The narrator had workload in his office. However, his boss was in a good mood who even asked the narrator about his mother's age. The narrator told him approximate age because he did not want to make an absurd mistake. The employer on hearing the age of narrator's mother seemed relieved.

### Answer 2

When the author stepped out of his office along with Emmanuel, both of them started chasing a truck to take a ride. The truck was at a distance from them, while chasing it in scorching sunlight and in high noise from the engine the narrator felt dizziness,

which elucidates his sensory experience of noise and heat. Further, when he landed on the truck by jumping, he was out of breath. This demonstrates his experience of physical exhaustion.

### Answer #3

When author reached at Celeste's restaurant he was drenched in sweat. Moreover, he ate meal in there and also drank coffee. After that, he also took a glass of wine. This reflects his eating and drinking routine at Celeste's restaurant.

### Answer #4

His office day was hard on him because of his work load. Therefore, when he came outside, and started walking under green sky and in cool air, his mood became pleasant. His was worn out

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## Q#3 Prepositions

1. The files remain under custody.
2. She demanded justice for reform.
3. The protestors gathered before parliament.
4. He spoke calmly during threats.
5. The refugees waited for shelters.
6. They chose dialogue over shelters. violence.
7. Their speech turned anger into resolve.
8. The decision rests upon evidence.
9. Hope emerged out of despair.
10. Debate raged on policy.

## Q#5 Punctuate

1. She was excited to see her old friend. They hadn't met in years.
2. Can you tell me where the museum is?
3. What a breathtaking view! I can't believe my eyes.
4. He cooked dinner; she washed dishes.
5. I've never seen such chaos, how did this happen?
6. The sun was setting, the sky turned orange and pink.
7. Wait! how can you say that?
8. It was a long journey, we finally reached our destination.
9. Who knew he would arrive early!
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Q #4

1. She stood silently behind the curtain, listening to the conversation in the next room.
2. The new museum is located right beside the river, offering a beautiful view.
3. Besides his intelligence, he also possesses remarkable leadership skills.
4. We have been friends, as we met in college ten years ago.
5. The agreement was signed between the two countries after long negotiations.
6. Please arrive at 9:00 a.m, so we can start the meeting on time.
7. He pulled the book from the shelf and began flipping through it.
8. The teacher distributed the handouts among the students in the front row.
9. I sat with my best friend during the entire performance.

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10. She walked swiftly through the fields,  
ignoring the calls from behind.

## Q12

# Punctuate

If you are interested in helping people who live in poverty, homeless shelters are always in need of volunteers. You might be asked to prepare and serve meals at the shelter, help in the shelters' office, or help organize a fundraising campaign. Food banks also help people who struggle with poverty by collecting and distributing food to those in need. In addition to providing food for homeless shelters, food banks also serve people living in the community.

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3. A multipolar South Asia will limit Delhi's ability to shape the norms of regional forums unilaterally.
4. Smaller South Asian states were historically dependent on India for their strategic and political options.
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**Q2. Change the narration.**

1. "If I had spoken to my father as you speak to me, he'd have beaten me," she said to me.
2. He said that I mustn't mind if the first one wasn't any good.
3. He wanted to know if I was going to the concert and suggested that we should make up a party and go together.
4. "I must go to the dentist tomorrow," he said, "I have an appointment."
5. "You say," said the judge, "the bag you lost contained ten thousand pounds?"

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**Q4. Fill in the blanks with appropriate prepositions. 10**

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**Q5. Punctuate the following sentences properly to make them meaningful. 10**

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**Q6. Write meanings in parentheses and make meaningful sentences for any FIVE of the following idioms. 10**

- i. Hum and haw.
- ii. In common parlance.
- iii. Jedwood justice.
- iv. Kick the beam.
- v. Laugh to scorn.
- vi. Live fast.
- vii. Make up leeway

**Q3. Read the passage and answer the questions provided at the end. 20**

I had a busy morning in the office. My employer was in a good humor. He even inquired if I wasn't too tired, and followed it up by asking what Mother's age was. I thought a bit, then answered, "Round about sixty," as I didn't want to make a blunder. At which he looked relieved—why, I can't imagine—and seemed to think that closed the matter. There was a pile of bills of lading waiting on my desk, and I had to go through them all. Before leaving for lunch I washed my hands. I always enjoyed doing this at midday. In the evening it was less pleasant, as the roller towel, after being used by so many people, was sopping wet. I once brought this to my employer's notice. It was regrettable, he agreed—but, to his mind, a mere detail. I left the office building a little later than usual, at half-past twelve, with Emmanuel, who works in the Forwarding Department. Our building overlooks the sea, and we paused for a moment on the steps to look at the shipping in the harbor. The sun was scorching hot. Just then a big truck came up, with a din of chains and backfires from the engine, and Emmanuel suggested we should try to jump it. I started to run. The truck was well away, and we had to chase it for quite a distance.

What with the heat and the noise from the engine, I felt half dazed. All I was conscious of was our mad rush along the water front, amongst cranes and winches, with dark hulls of ships alongside and masts swaying in the offing. I was the first to catch up with the truck. I took a flying jump, landed safely, and helped Emmanuel to scramble in beside me. We were both of us out of breath, and the bumps of the truck on the roughly laid cobbles made things worse. Emmanuel chuckled, and panted in my ear, "We've made it!" By the time we reached Céleste's restaurant we were dripping with sweat. Céleste was at his usual place beside the entrance, with his apron bulging on his paunch, his white mustache well to the fore. When he saw me he was sympathetic and "hoped I wasn't feeling too badly." I said, "No," but I was extremely hungry. I ate very quickly and had some coffee to finish up. Then I went to my place and took a short nap, as I'd drunk a glass of wine too many. When I woke I smoked a cigarette before getting off my bed. I was a bit late and had to run for the streetcar. The office was stifling, and I was kept hard at it all the afternoon. So it came as a relief when we closed down and I was strolling slowly along the wharves in the coolness. The sky was green, and it was pleasant to be out-of-doors after the stuffy office. However, I went straight home, as I had to put some potatoes on to boil.

**Questions**

1. Why did the narrator give an approximate answer about his mother's age, and how did his employer react to it?
2. What details in the passage highlight the narrator's sensory experience of heat, noise, and physical exhaustion during the chase of the truck?
3. How does the episode at Céleste's restaurant reflect the narrator's physical state and routine habits?
4. What contrast does the narrator draw between the office environment and the outdoors at the end of the day, and how does this affect his mood?

**Q3. Rewrite the following sentences by using appropriate prepositions. 10**

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