

Q#02

Title:

Luther's Dream of a United Nation

Martin Luther had a dream that his nation will hold to its creed of equality among men, among descendants of former slaves and slavers. That some day, even the Mississippi, steaming with oppression, will become an island of freedom and justice. That his children will be judged by their character, not color of their skin. That even in Alabama, with its white-supremacist governor, little boys and girls, white or black, will join the hands of brotherhood. That every resistance to equality will be straightened out. With this faith, foundations of hope will be carved out of the mountains of dependency. That faith will unite the entire nation into an organic whole, replacing resounding discord by a melodic symphony of brotherhood.

(word count)

Passage: 348

Precis : (120)

Q#03

(1)

Allowing for the context and motivation that led Kalashnikov to his invention, the weapon cannot be solely attributed to him. It was due to the impersonal forces of German invasion of his motherland, their inferiority in weaponry and his subsequent wounds that encouraged him towards ingenuity. Thus, ingenuity of the weapon is more attributable to him than the invention.

(2)

The weapon ~~is~~ became a symbol of revolutionary struggles on account of its fabulous features. Relatively inexpensive yet easy to carry with light recoil make AK-47 the weapon of choice. Its reliability under harshest weather conditions is a cherry on the top.

(3)

Times of crises can be turned into moments of opportunities with little inventiveness. Because duress can drive man to take shelter in his genius. It is, for instance, what happened when Germans overwhelmed USSR with its superior armour. Awed, if not defeated, by their weapons, Russians were able to pioneer a weapon of their own, famed and feared equally.

(4)

Every weapon is let down by one shortcoming: its user. Who carries the weapons, kills. Guns do not have capability nor grudges to blow out its victims. It is humans holing humans!

(5)

Last words of Mikhail Kalashnikov hold water and they did console his conscience. While he can be absolved or whether he ever sinned by inventing a deadly weapon is debatable, he died a peaceful death. For, indeed, it is fault of those creating warring situation and, ultimately, who wields the weapon. If he would not have invented it, someone else would have. At the end of the day, it is human appetite for violence that is at fault - a severe one.

Q#04

(A)

- (b) We watched the lambs gambling on the green
- (c) He belonged to the guild of carpenters
- (f) He awaited^{*} this situation very intelligently
- (g) The black vermin are ~~an~~ odious creatures
- (h) Many a girl ~~is~~^{was} appearing in the examination

Q#04 (B)

- (3) The relative proportion of contact and non-contact time may vary from course to course
- (5) Graduates are well-equipped for careers in environmental policy
- (6) Marine biology is all about the largest and most diverse ecosystem on the planet - the sea
- (7) This academic program ~~leads to~~ offers opportunities that can lead to careers in the increasingly important field of international business
- (8) Students will learn about such key concepts as the scientific method.

Q#05

- (I) Sir Majid told Sir Ali that he makes difficult mock papers
- (3) The Commander ordered the soldiers to march on
- (V) I asked the stranger if he really came from America and how he felt in Pakistan
- (V15) He said that he had to go to the dentist that day. He had an appointment
- (V177) They exclaimed and appreciated Imran's shot.

Q#06

1. Grasping at straws

Example: A drowning man will do anything to stay afloat - even grasp at straws which is of course futile.

2. In dire straits

Example: Pakistan's economy is in dire straits, yet the only way out elites seem to know is more loans

3. Break a leg

Example: When Amanda broke her leg in a marathon, she accused innocent Gilbert of having put a spell on her; all Gilbert did was wish her luck when he had shouted to her "Amanda! Break leg!"

4. Heard it on the grapevine

Example: Mr. Fickle had a lot of claims to make and, when asked who told him so, he blurted "I heard it on the grapevine."

5. Hit the hay

Example: He was always feeling sleepy after meals and would hit the hay no sooner than he had had his meal finished

Q#07

The individual who is one step ahead progresses a lot. He is conferred progress not by officers or the system; he is endowed progress by nature. Our faith should be that Allah is the protector of our hardwork. Our faith should be that nature will also endow us. Those hardworks that are not reciprocated by the man, Allah gives the results. This faith should be similar to your belief in existence of your body. Hazrat Sheikh Saadi says that "whenever you ~~ask~~^{pray} for something, ask not according to your station, rather ask according to His glory." It is possible, my station may be very low, but the Giver's glory may crown me a king. He has uncountable methods and excuses to bestow.