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## English Precis and Composition

### Part II

Q No. 2:

Title:

"Art, The Possession of All in the Hands of Few"

Precis:

Art had its roots in magic and religion. It became a business when the wealthy have found profit in art by various means. They did everything to boost the value of art, artists, museum holdings, and related collections. They treated the cultural icons like commodities. In 1980's during the <sup>Japanese</sup> economic boom the commodification increased suddenly when the Japanese individual wealth bearers invested enormously in west's greatest masterpieces. For instance the portrait of van Gogh by Dr Gachet was sold for 82.5 million dollars. Thus such business transactions resulted in

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vanishing of art from public domain. Since the public do not have the means of acquisition of art it will continue to devolve into big businesses. Despite the ethical objections, this at least leads to circulation of wealth as it goes from one hand to another, and the market price of art also certifies the value of art.

Q No 3:

1- Who was Stauffenberg?

Ans: Claus Schenk von Stauffenberg was a colonel in German Army. On 20 July 1944 he placed a bomb next to Hitler in his east Prussian headquarters. He attempted a coup against Hitler but failed, which led to his death. He was a charismatic person often compared to the medieval Statute of knight. He was for some time been tipped as a Chief of Staff.

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Ans: The movie 'Valkyrie' is true to most of the facts but it fails to give a proper sense or true picture to the Stauffenberg and his struggle. The film

does not convey proper sense of the immense charisma of him. It also gives no indication of Stauffenberg's background and philosophy.

3.

Ans: The writer has focused more on the personality of Stauffenberg and told less about his intentions behind the act of killing Hitler and the mind set and philosophy of Stauffenberg. July 1944 was when the Germans were at the verge of defeat. During that time may be Stauffenberg was trying to kill Hitler because of humiliation all the German would have to face rather than showing the world a secret Germany.

4.

Ans: In this passage the writer posed Stauffenberg as a hero while those against whom Stauffenberg acted as villains. In this passage the <sup>actions</sup> ~~work~~ of Stauffenberg is justified and his personality is described in a very complementary way.

5.

Ans: If Stauffenberg had survived the war it

would not be changed the consequences much as firstly he was a colonel not a general ~~not~~ i.e. having a low rank to be a decision maker. Secondly if Hitler died a like minded person would have replaced him. Lastly the war was ~~at~~ already in its last phase. But if Stauffenberg has succeeded and survived the war the allied forces which were against Germany would give him much honour and reward.

Q No 4: Correction

- i - At least fifty students were present in the class.
- ii - Fewer people attended the meeting.
- iii - Neither the father nor the son wears glasses.
- iv - He has four sons, but neither of them is hardworking.
- vi - Neither road leads to the station.

Q Nos. (A) Punctuation

One day walking together up a hill I said to Friday, "Do you not wish to be in your own country again", "Yes!" he said, "I miss it". "What would you do there if you ever go back", said I, "would you turn wild and eat men's flesh again". He looked full of concern and while shaking his head said, "no". I was glad to hear this as we gradually kept climbing towards the top.

(B)

- 1- Pakistan is in the west of India.
- 2- She died by hunger.
- 3- She said it on my face.
- 4- We have put a lot of effort in this project.
- 10- We drove to the coastline of California.

Q No 7: Translation

Some books are said to have changed the world. These books are selected by intellectuals as per the time and space and as per their will. But, as there are some books which changed the world, there are some which destroyed it as well. In any given society the number and type of books published tells a lot about either this society is going to change for better or would remain in dark. From this point of view the books published in Pakistan, if considered then we can see that mostly the books are affecting the masses on religious extremism, sectarian emotions and meaningless and useless national patriotic zeal. Such mindsets are seen in Pakistan's society of this era.

Q No 6: (B) Narration

\* Just when ~~the~~ we came in sight of valley Jamil met us and told us that the valley is fine but there is nothing to eat.  
- This is nonsense anything can be available here

Jamil replied that the brown bread was two months old and there was nothing else but potatoes.

Someone said there must be milk somewhere. ~~To which he~~

Jamil supposedly ~~replied~~ ~~that~~ confirmed that there was some milk.

## Q6(A) Sentences

### 1. Access / excess

- Jamil accessed the Principle to have his application accepted urgently.
- He had food poisoning after eating excess amount of junk food.

### 2. Tired / Tire

- He was unable to reach on time after ~~his~~ the tire of his car punctured on road.
- After three days of travel, the traveler was tired and slept immediately after lying on bed.

## 6. minute / minute

- He was not punished because he was only a minute late.
- Even a minute amount of adulterant will result in a bad product.

## 7. bow / bow

- He bowed before the king.
- He was a good archer but his bow ~~as~~ was broken so he missed the target.

## 8. mooded / mood.

- The cows mooded.
- After listening about his results, he was in good mood.