

# ENGLISH PRECIS AND COMPOSITION

## QNO.4 Correction

- f) My mother forbade me to smoke.
- h) The culture of our country is richest in the world.
- g) Many children dream to becoming famous one day.
- a) He hardly reached the station as it began to rain.
- e) Only if I could go back in time!

## QNO5 (A)

### Punctuate :

Robert Whiting, an elderly US gentleman of 83, arrived in Paris by plane at French Customs. He took a few minutes to locate his passport in his carry on. "You have been to France before", Monsieur, the custom officer asked sarcastically. Mr. Whiting admitted that he had been to France previously. "Then you should know enough to have your

passport ready." The American said, "The last time I was here; I didn't have to show it." "Impossible! Americans always have to show their passports on arrival in France", sneered the Custom Officer. The American senior gave Frenchman a long, hard look. Then he quietly explained, "Well, when I came ashore at Omaha Beach, at 4:40am, on D-Day in 1944, to help liberate your country, I could not find a single Frenchman to show a passport to..." You could have heard a pin drop.

(B)

### Prepositions :

5. The man was blind in his left eye.
1. A drowning man catches on a straw.
2. On the night before exams, she was seen pouring upon the books.
6. After being fined, he was sentenced to a term of imprisonment.
7. In some countries much of the natural environment has been transformed into farmland.

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## Q NO 6 (A)

### Idioms

Scape goat

After failure in Afghanistan, US made Pakistan scape goat and tried to shift blame on Pakistan.

Square Meal

We got a square meal deal.

Green thumb

She gave me a green thumb to carry out this task.

Sitting ducks

He behaves like a sitting duck whole day and does not like to work.

Out of the blue

After the death of his father, it is difficult for him to come out of the blue.

### (B)

Hassan Ali Gondal greeted Shahab and asked him when his book would be ready.

Shahab hopefully replied at the end of

November. Hassan Ali Gondal asked Shahab

about the speciality of his book and told

him competitive exams marked ~~are~~ <sup>was</sup> already

had a lot of essay stuff. Shahad replied that he only spoke about the international standards followed in essay writing that he <sup>been</sup> had taught at Christ Church University during his one year teaching training course. His book followed the same standards. He also added that his book also had practice activities rather than ready made content for cramming. Hassan Ali Gondal replied happily that if it was like that, then it would clear most of his misconceptions about essay writing.

## QNO7 Translation

Millions of young Pakistanis are considered as 'Generation \_\_\_\_\_'. This generation was born after the year 2000 and today their ages are 23 and 24. Historically, this generation is considered all across the globe as physically weak and mentally depressive. This generation

grew up in the age when technology was widely used. This generation grew up using technology. Internet, Mobile phones, Tablets, T.V and social media is in the range of their hands. This generation is brought up by social media not by elders. The most common problem of this generation is that it is 'Short tempered. Their physical health is extremely fragile and in the history of mankind, this generation is taking more time to be independent.

### QNO3 :

- 1) Writer described multiple ways in which humans are complicating their lives. He says nowadays Machines are there to do work of humans, calculators perform all our mathematical problems, Computers having large memories store knowledge of humans. All these methods have complicated the lives of humans.

2) Writer says it is not possible to go back in past but we can benefit ourselves from wisdom of our ancestors. Writer suggests we should use simple and easy language for communication, <sup>as it</sup> ~~we~~ ~~show~~ was in past. We should discourage long words and ambiguities to avoid misinterpretations.

3) New Tower of Babel refer to the architecture. Americans are the chief designers or builders of this tower.

4) Pshycologists and sociologists say that the Tension is the product of 20<sup>th</sup> century and now people are born with inate anxieties. They can even experience it into their childhoods. But writer says we should give importance to the opinion that parents get worries from families they are not born with them.

5) Writer says that we should exercise our reasoning powers and measure of choice because these are the two features which differentiates humans from other living beings. By utilizing them, we should ponder upon the changes around us and how these changes affect us.

## QNO2

### Precis:

Title: 'Qualities of an Eligible Commander'

Precis: An Army general must possess the qualities of being courageous, physically fit and high moral. If a general shows courage and remains calm in difficult times during wars, then he can make people forget the mistakes he makes in battle field. When it comes to the health of the general, then it is just an apparent quality. If he has passionate and young soul then it can govern his weak

body. Writer stresses that in history we have examples of sick commanders but they remained victorious on the basis of spirit. When it comes to the age of the commander then on the basis of history it is difficult to determine whether a young commander is more dangerous to his enemies or an old one. History is full with examples of old commanders conquering the battlefields and young commanders also defeating enemies. But if an old commander is able to understand new ideas and ~~be~~ has capacity to ~~to~~ face difficult times then he can overcome the young ones. Writer also praises the decision of reducing the retiring age of generals but also fears of early losing eligible commanders.

Words in Paragraph: 453

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