

Q2

Age of Generals: A weakness or a strength

A general has various qualities including good physical health and moral courage. He is, ideally, a calm and composed person with good health, and more importantly, good spirit. However, they also commit blunders in love and war, that weaken them in front of their enemies. History has shown that generals reach to the peak in their careers in young age. While many other examples showed that men reach to their glory in very old age. Therefore, it is not possible to pinpoint the exact age at which men are more bold and intellectual generals. The experience and the ability to reason becomes a blessing in old age if they are flexible and adaptive to innovative ideas. Similarly, a young general can also be ~~be~~ a beneficial especially to defeat an old one. Hence, it is the right decision to retain generals of lower age.

Words of Passage = 525

Words of Precis = 142

Q 3

① According to the writer, we have complicated our lives in various ways, instead of simplifying them. We have made our language ambiguous by inventing new and long words. Secondly, we try to bottle up parents' worries, which affects their children. Moreover, children are made to study only selective books for the ^{sole} purpose of examination, which limits their cognitive faculties. Additionally, we have introduced many loud noises in our environment that lead to distress. Hence, more development in the world contributed to ~~more~~ increased distress and complicated life.

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② By 'wisdom of our ancestors', writer refers to the idea that our ancestors lived in more simplicity and that is why they had less complicated lives. They used simple and clear language to communicate, disguised their worries from their families, were well-learned and away from the loud noises that divert concentration. Therefore, all ancestors were wise in all aspects.

③ 'New Tower of Babel' refers to the invention of new and complex language. ~~The~~ Its architects ~~of~~ are the Americans who bring variations in English language by introducing long words, which complicates the process of communication. ~~It~~ ^{It} ~~which~~ was simpler in the past with short and concise words, having a wide range of expression.

④ Psychologists and sociologists have been telling us to save children from tension. Tension and distress is transferred from parents to children when parents try to repress their emotions. While the writer argues that parents should disguise their emotions and worries from their family, in order to save them from distress. The writer's opinion is contrary to that of psychologists and sociologists.

⑤ According to the writer, we should exercise our reasoning powers to choose what is right for us. The advancement in modern age has introduced many technologies that are not only polluting the environment but ^{are} also causing distress. Being the intellectual beings, we have to choose those things that are good for us and our environment.

Q4

(a) Hardly he reached the station than it began to rain.

He hardly reached the station when it began to rain.

(d) I am preparing for CSS exams since last October.
I have been preparing for CSS exams since last October.

(e) If only I can go back in time!
Only if I could go back in time!

(f) My mother forbade me to not to smoke.
My mother forbade me to smoke.

(h) The culture of our country is richer than any other country in the world.

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[Q5] (A)

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 customs 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 customs officer. The American senior gave the Frenchman a long, hard look. Then he quietly explained, "Well, when I came ashore at Omaha Beach, at 4:40 a.m., on D-Day in 1944, to help liberate your country, I couldn't find a single Frenchman to show a passport to..." You could have heard a pin drop.

(B)

1. A drowning man catches at a straw.
3. He felt no qualms for borrowing money from his friends.
5. The man was blind with his left eye.
6. Other than being fined, he was sentenced to a term of imprisonment.
7. In some countries much of the natural envi. has been transformed into farmland.

8. Mr. Hawking was walking over a wood on
a rainy day.

Q 6 (A)

1. Cold shoulder

The ~~oppose~~^{two} politicians from opponent parties showed cold shoulder to each other through ~~to~~ their double meaning talks.

2. Scape goat

The captain, unfortunately, becomes the scape goat for the negligence of his teammates.

3. Stalking horse

The tears of the ^{TV show} host ~~are~~ serve as the stalking horse ~~for~~ in order to gain ratings.

7. Blue Stalking

Her elegant style ^{of talking} and impressive ~~and~~ ~~made~~ display of knowledge ~~helped~~ helped her ear the title of blue stalking.

9. Square meal

The young girl preferred to have a square meal despite having cravings for the junk food.

(B)

Hassan Ali Gondal asked Shahab that when would his essay book be ready. Shahab replied that he ~~shahab~~ believed ~~that~~ at the end of November. Hassan Ali Gondal then asked what was the deal. The competitive exams market is already full of essay stuff. What was special about his (Shahab's). Shahab answered that he spoke only about the international standards followed in essay writing that he was taught at Christ Church University during his one year teachers training course. His book followed the same standards. Moreover, it included different practice activities rather than ready-made content for cramming. Hassan Ali Gondal then said that if that was so, it would clear most of the misconceptions about essay writing.

Q7

Thousands of youngsters of Pakistan constitute Generation Z. This is the generation that was born after the year 2000 and today they have become 23, 24 years old. All over the world, this generation is considered as physically, the most weak and mentally, the most insane in human history. The era in which ~~it~~ it grew up is the ~~most~~ age when the use of technology is maximum. This generation grew up while using

using technology. Internet, mobile phone, tablet, TV channel and social media are in its access.

¶ Social media brought this generation up rather than the elders. There is only one problem of this generation all over the world. They have less patience and more anger. Its physical health is extremely weak. And in human history, this generation is taking the most time to establish itself.