

PRECIS' AND COMPOSITIONQ#2:- **TITLE:** Visa Rejections: A Mirror to Discrimination.- **PRECIS':**

The author highlights the frustration among Palestinian citizens facing rejection of their Schengen visa applications. ~~because of~~ because of baseless or trivial reasons - In contrast, western nationals are warmly welcomed when they apply for a Palestinian visa. The writer criticizes the Schengen countries because of the discrimination faced by Palestinian citizens - He sarcastically questions whether the Schengen countries fear upheaval from Palestinian citizens, despite they comply to their timing visa requirements. The author calls for Schengen countries to recognize Palestinian citizens and treat them with respect and fairness.

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Q#3:ANSWERS:

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Foxman's transition from boxing to business was mainly driven by financial struggles after his retirement from boxing. Despite initially amassing a fortune of \$5 million, bad financial decisions and poor management left him broke by 1987. When he returned to the boxing ring, his authenticity and changed personality helped him

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rebuild his public image and led to a successful second career. Foreman embraced his new persona as a loving father and preacher, which opened up business opportunities, particularly with George Foreman Grill. This transition was prompted not only by financial necessity but his ability to reinvent himself and recognize new opportunities outside of boxing world.

2- The competitive advantage of Foreman Grill was its unique design that allowed grease to drain off during cooking. This feature made the grill healthier and more convenient, being less greasy. Additionally, Foreman's personal branding played a key role in its success, which featured him cooking burgers with his children, emphasizing family and fun, which resonated with the audience and contributed to the grill becoming a household name.

3- Had Foreman not sold the naming rights to the George Foreman Grill, he might have increased competition due to the saturation in the market and he might have faced reduced product's profitability over time. As the market for grills grew more competitive, maintaining position strong enough ~~would~~ could ^{have} become more difficult. Foreman's decision to sell the naming rights at a time when the grill was still highly successful ensured the capitalised on the product's peak and avoided potential losses, securing a massive sum of \$137.5 million.

4.

The Foreman's story evokes contrasting sentiments of failure and success - During his initial financial downfall after his boxing career represents a moment of failure, highlighting poor decisions and struggles. However, his successful comeback, - both in boxing and later in business - offers a complementary sentiment of resilience. The contrast between his early personality as a fierce, feared boxer and his later reinvention as a cheerful, family-oriented personality creates presents a great transformation - which led him to both personal and professional successful career.

5.

The text successfully presents a true and multifaceted picture of Foreman's struggle. It highlights both his initial triumphs and his fall from grace, showing his challenges he faced after his retirement from boxing. The narrative also emphasizes Foreman's resilience and ability to reinvent himself not only as a boxer, but as a preacher, a family man and a burden man. The portrayal of his struggle is both honest and inspirational, showing how Foreman used his fame wisely and reinvented himself to create a lasting success beyond boxing.

Q/A

- 1- Most of the shelves in the library are empty.
- 2- Chocolate or Vanilla: which one do you like best?
- 3- The culture of our country is richer than that of any other country.
- 4- Ten miles is a long distance.
- 5- The student wrote a 20-page report last night.

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Q#5

(A)

Bill Gates once had coffee at a coffee shop. When the waiter was taking the dishes away, Bill Gates tipped him one dollar. "Whenever your daughter comes for coffee, she gives me a five-dollar tip," said the waiter. "She is the daughter of a bricklayer," replied Bill Gates, "and I am the son of a carpenter." This is why it is often said, "Never forget your past because your past is your greatest teacher."

(B)

- 1- He poured the water into the glass.
- 2- The government has tided over difficulties.
- 3- The people were driven to despair by the horrors of war.
- 5- There were lots of shops on the main road.
- 7- He wrote them a cheque for \$1000.

Q#6

A

Peek: She couldn't resist a peek at his gift on birthday.

Pique: This software has piqued my interest so I am going to learn this completely.

2- Founder: The company began to flounder due to mismanagement.

Founder: The ship foundered after hitting an iceberg.

4- Tortuous: The road to Murree Hills is really tortuous.

Tortuous: She was left exhausted after the long, tortuous exam.

5- Shear: The sheer force of wind broke the branches of tree.

Sheer: The sheer beauty of sunset across the ocean left me astounded.

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3- **Voracious:** Being a voracious reader, he finished 3 novels in just a week.

Veracious: She is a veracious journalist, known for always checking facts and writing truthfully.

B

Hang up one's hat: After serving for 40 years, she hung up her hat and enjoyed the retirement.

Eat crow: He had to eat crow after arguing for hours, when facts proved he was mistaken.

Dead wood: The manager decided to terminate the dead wood in the department.

Midas touch: Mr. Midas touch brought fame to failing company and turned to successful ventures.

Shrinking violet: Despite being a shrinking violet, she managed to address the meeting confidently.

Q#7

An African thinker once said that when the British came to Africa, they had innovation and we had land. They told that they have come here to bring us prosperity. We turned a deaf ear. (blind or a blind eye) when we came to our senses, we had innovation and they had our land. Similarly, when social networks came into play, they had facebook and whatsapp. They told us that it's free. We turned a blind eye again and when we finally realized we had facebook and whatsapp, but they had our freedom and personal information. So, whenever something seems free, we end up paying for it with our freedom.