

Q no (01)  
Precis writing

### × Harmful Consequences of Corruption 0

Usually people do not think of the outcomes of their corrupt actions. Adopting illegal means to get benefits do not seem wrong to people. But such actions promote a culture of corruption. Small acts of corruption lead to a corrupt system where people do not consider violating rules unfair to get benefits. Consequently, the corrupt system overlooks public welfare and inefficiency becomes normal. Corruption breeds unequal society.

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Taking advantages using illegal means push back the deservings leading to a distorted society. In societies where too much corruption exists ills of political instability and social unrest erupt. So, corruption is harmful and only self accountability can make societies just.

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Q no (02)  
Comprehension

Q.1) What is the primary reason why most people fail to keep their New Year resolutions?

3 The primary reason because of which people fail to keep their New Year resolutions is that their resolutions are usually impulsive made under societal pressure. The impulsive nature of resolutions don't allow people to stay determined throughout the year for the fulfilment of resolutions. So, the problem is not in the goals but the approach to fulfil goals is usually flawed.

Q.2) Why do resolutions tend to be ineffective even though people are highly motivated at the start of the year.

2 Resolutions tend to be ineffective despite high motivation at the start of the year because the resolutions are usually made under societal pressure and are impulsive decisions. Moreover, the resolutions that people make are vague and broad such as "I will be more productive." Such resolutions are usually far from daily life realities of people. Therefore, people make idealistic resolutions and fail to take the responsibility of their accomplishment.

Q.3) What psychological factors keep people making New Year resolutions year after year despite knowing they may fail?

The psychological factor which keeps people making New Year resolutions year after year is the desire for renewal.

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New Year appears to people as an opportunity to restart things. The feeling of renewal fills people with hope despite the reasons for ~~some~~ failure remaining the same.

So, the symbolic renewal opportunity keeps them making resolutions.

Q.4) What is a more effective approach to achieving lasting change instead of making New Year resolutions?

The more effective approach to achieving lasting change is to make goals instead of symbolic resolutions.

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Well-defined goals and structured strategies to achieve them ~~can~~ allow people to make lasting change.

### Q.no (3) [Synonyms]

1. Blunt ✓

7. Hate ✗

2. Persuasive ✗

8. Careful ✗

3. Ease ✗

9. Productive ✓

4. Aggravate ✗

10. Detachment ✗

5. Widespread ✗

6. Quiet ✗

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