

# English Précis and Composition

## Question #04

### Sentence Correction

a) Hundred of students gathered to attend the conference by Hassan Ali Gondal.

Hundreds of students gathered to attend the conference by Hassan Ali Gondal.

b) I am one of those persons who cannot describe what I feel.

I am one of those persons who cannot describe what they feel.

c) Sir Huzaiifa left for Mianwali on Friday last, arriving there on Monday.

Sir Huzaiifa left for Mianwali on last Friday, arrived there on ~~the~~ Monday.

h) You need not to rebuke him.

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d) The reading of poetry gives greater delight than reading prose.

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## Question #05

Part (a)

### Punctuation

One day, a friend visited Hodja and said, "Hodja, I want to borrow your donkey." "I am sorry", replied Hodja "but I've already lent it to someone else." As soon as he said this, the donkey brayed.

"But Hodja, I can hear the donkey! It's in the stable!" Shutting the door in his friend's face, Hodja told him <sup>with</sup> dignity, "A man who believes the word of a donkey above my word doesn't deserve to be lent anything!"

Part (b)

### Prepositions

- iii. Throw this pen in the dustbin.
- iv. He went to the desert.
- v. While walking by the bank of river, Wordsworth saw a number of daffodils.
- vii. The bird flew over my head.
- viii. In the examination you have to answer all the question within an hour.

## Questions #06

### Idioms

#### i) Big fish:

The new lawyer in the town filed a corruption case against a big fish of the government sector.

#### iii) Square peg in a round hole:

The newly hired music teacher proved to be a square peg in a round hole as he knew nothing about contemporary music genres.

#### viii) For good:

After her unsuccessful marriage, she vowed to remain single for good.

#### ix) To eat the humble pie:

The president had to eat the humble pie owing to the disapproval of his new claims about presidential elections.

#### v) To give the devil his due:

Despite his dislikens for the new manager, Ali had to give the devil his due because of valid arguments of new manager.

## Question #07

### Translation

Rise and fall is the parable of every nation, but it requires a sense of loss and national integrity. After the second World War, it was a tough time for Japan. The destruction of atomic bomb had already obliterated two cities. However, for Japanese, the bigger dilemma was the humiliation of their king. The humiliating behaviour of General Mack Arthur towards the king had ignited the fire of revenge in Japanese. Although not in battlefield, but in every other department, Japan started to defeat America. Finally, within a few decades, this nation succeeded in regaining its lost status. In this parable, there is ~~an~~ ~~is~~ a big lesson for Pakistan.

## Question #03

### Comprehension

(05)

- Meanings of given words:

fallacy

deception

gleam

shine

plaintiff

prosecution

cripple

crawl

vicious

evil

(01)

- Ad hominem:

Yes, I after reading the given selection, I have a clear idea of what ad hominem means.

In court of law, ad hominem is the practice of discrediting a lawyer's argument by attacking his personal choices. It ~~means~~ refers to abusing the attorney in lieu of facing the argument.

(02)

- How Lincoln convinced Jury:

Lincoln succeeded in convincing the jury by proving his opponent as uncivilized. His jury was made up of fine frontiersmen, who disliked the way in which Lincoln's opponent buttoned up his shirt.

(03)

- **Lincoln's Tactic as non-malicious:**

Lincoln's tactic was non-malicious because it did not possess any serious allegation or abusive remarks about the opponent lawyer. It simply pointed out the dress code violation done by the opponent lawyer. Moreover, in view of the result, it does not matter whether the tactic was malicious or not.

(04)

- **Lincoln's Risk by Using ad hominem:**

The result of the case was on stake. Lincoln took the risk of losing the case by using ad hominem because it could lead to overruling of Lincoln's argument. If I had been an opposing lawyer, I would have countered Lincoln's move by either requesting for over-ruling this objection or bringing up an ad-hominem about Lincoln.