

ENGLISH PRÉCIS AND COMPOSITION

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Question no: 04

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(a)

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

(f)

The professor and orator is dead.

(h)

You need not rebuke him.

(d)

The reading of poetry gives more delight than the reading of prose.

(b)

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

Question no: 05

(A)

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One day a friend visited Hadja and said, "Hadja, I want to borrow your donkey."

"I am sorry", replied Hadja "but I have already lent it to someone else." As soon as he said this, the donkey brayed.

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

(B)

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(i)

The doctor gave me a perscription for my cough.

(ii)

Throw this pen in the dustbin.

(iv)

He went to the desert.

(vi)

I don't approve of your language young man.

(vii)

The bird flew over my head

Question no: 06

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(8)

Arham has left the country for good so don't expect him to take over the business here.

(1)

Don't approach Ali with small cases right now as he has got a bigger fish to fry.

(2)

Saadia burned her bridges to get rid of toxicity and started living alone.

(3)

She quit her job because she was a square peg in a round hole and could not adjust no matter how hard she tried.

(7)

You should be careful as Adnan would have his pound of flesh as soon as he gets out of prison in two days.

Question no: 07

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Highs and lows are the story of every nation. But it requires spirit of nationalism and support. After the second world war, Japan ~~was~~ had to go through a severe trial period. The destruction by the atom bomb had already uprooted two cities. But for the Japanese, an even bigger challenge than this was the upheaval of the king. The attitude of General Mack Arthur towards the king, ignited the fire of revenge inside the Japanese people. Japan started defeating America: not only in the battle field but also in every other field. Eventually, in a few decades, this nation was able to regain its lost status and glory. This story has a huge lesson for Pakistan.

Question no: 02

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(1)

Yes, after reading this selection, I have a clear idea of what "ad hominem" means. It basically refers to the abuse of the opponent lawyer when one does not have a strong defense against a case. Resailing

to the tactic of "ad hominem" is used as a last straw in an attempt to win the case despite having a weak argument.

(2)

Lincoln succeeded in convincing the jury by making his opponent lawyer appear to be dumb. He did this by basing his entire case on the fact that his opponent was wearing the wrong side of the shirt in the front with buttons in the back, so if he doesn't know this simple thing, how could anyone believe him to be an experienced lawyer. This was the use of ad hominem by Lincoln as he was well aware of the nature of the jury and knew that they would not know about the new city slicker shirt style of the 1840s which his opponent was wearing.

(3)

Lincoln's tactic was 'non-malicious' because he just used his quick thinking to come up with the ad hominem on the spot. He did not have any cunning strategy or plan prepared beforehand to overthrow his opponent and to win the case.

In view of the result, it does matter whether the tactic was malicious or not as a result based on a malicious tactic would not be

deemed fair and would lead to backlash from the people, over the undesired ruling on the matter.

(4)

The risk Lincoln took by using *ad hominem* is relying completely on whether the jury fell into his trap or not. If he was not able to fool the jury through his tactic, he had no other cards left on the table and would have lost the case.

If I had been the opposing lawyer, I would have countered Lincoln's move by showing the jury how Lincoln had nothing else to prove his case so he resorted to a personal attack instead of providing concrete evidence of the case at hand. This would open the eyes of the jury and they would base their decision on facts given over a personal attack.

(5)

fallacy: trick

gleam: light up.

plaintiff: accused.

cripple: old

vicious: evil

QUESTION NO: 02

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Title : International Law ; A Contested Concept.

The exist separate laws namely; municipal and international law, to differentiate between behaviour of individuals and states. The latter is not subject to law as international law is between states. International law also lacks sanctions and a central authority which attracts criticism regarding its legality. Sovereign states and international legal system do not go hand in hand as it raises concern on the true essence of sovereignty. However, theory of consent resolves this by making compliance to international law a feature of sovereignty. Still, the importance of international law varies in eyes of people where some are against it and other see it as a channel of acquiring peace. In reality, it has a much wider scope which brings out true face of sovereignty.

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