

Paper: Precis & Composition

(Question 5)

A. Punctuate the following passage.

A young man recognized a minister. The minister was eating at a famous restaurant. After the meal, he asked for the bill. The waiter said, "Sir, the guy sitting in front paid your bill." He was surprised. He went to the young man and shook his hand. "Why did you pay my bill?" the minister asked. "Are you the minister?" the boy smiled. "Yes", the minister nodded. Then the boy said, "We also pay your electricity, gas, and phone bills. Why not the food?"

B. Fill with Prepositions.

- i - The book is lying on the desk.
- ii - Send this book to my address.
- iii - Pakistan is to the west of India.
- iv - He has been away for the last two months.
- v - She quarreled over a trifle.

(Question 6)

B. Choose ANALOGY of words.

- i - LION : ROAR (b) Goat : Bleat
- ii - CLOT : BLOOD (b) Curdle : Milk
- iii - SURGEON : DEXTEROUS. (d) Acrobat : Agile
- iv - SHADOW : LIGHT. (b) Image : Object
- v - WOOD : FURNITURE. (b) Tree : Seedling

A. Sentences.

- i- A fish out of water: The shy introvert felt like a fish out of water at the lively party, surrounded by bold extroverts dancing and chatting loudly.
- ii- Go to the wall: The company struggled financially, forcing them to make tough decisions and eventually go to the wall despite their efforts to stay afloat.
- iii- Live wire: Daniel's little sister was a live wire, always full of energy and constantly finding ways to entertain the family with her antics.
- iv- A laconic speech: The CEO's laconic speech at the meeting was brief yet impactful, focusing only on the key points with unnecessary elaboration.
- v- To give the devil his due: Despite their disagreements, Sarah admitted that her opponent had made some valid points during the debate, acknowledging that to give the devil his due was important in a fair assessment.

(Question 4)

Correct Sentences

- i- Good parents always listen to their children.
- ii- Speech is silver, silence is golden.
- iii- Not only was he a teacher, but also a renowned researcher.
- iv- Looking through the viewfinder, some strangers could be seen.
- vi- Pakistan won by an innings and 5 runs.

(QUESTION 7)

Translation

If you have ever traveled internationally and transited through places like Dubai, Qatar, Kuwait, etc., you would have observed that the atmosphere where passengers waiting at the gates for flights to Japan are remarkably calm and almost uniform in their demeanor, attire, discipline and appearance. As you walk past the German Gate, you'll find a similar situation. Whether you visit gates for Malaysia, China, Spain, Australia, New Zealand, the conditions are more or less the same; there's a sense of national uniformity. However, upon reaching the Pakistani Gate, instead of seeing uniformity of one nation, you encounter diversity. Faces of majority are relaxed, children's voices crying, dressed in half-paint shorts and jeans, ~~some~~ some in Shalwar Qameez. Somewhere, newly-wed brides with hennaed hands await their grooms eagerly, while elderly mothers-in-law walk with couples in pain, sitting in a corner who came abroad to work as young laborers, with safas on their shoulders and wallets of candy for children in their hands, and some dressed in safari suits, business class travelers and bureaucrats.

(Question 2)

Precis:

Sheikh Rashid, the founder of modern Dubai, in an interview, reflects on the cyclical nature of societal progress and the future trajectory of his country. His metaphorical statement traces his family's journey from camel riding to luxury vehicles, predicting a return to camels for his great-grandson. This progression symbolizes Dubai's rapid development under his leadership but also warns of potential regression. Rashid argues that adversity breeds resilience and strength, essential for societal progress, whereas comfort leads to complacency and decline. His call to "raise warriors, not parasites" urges the cultivation of qualities like resilience and self-reliance in future generations. Rashid emphasizes the role of education and upbringing in shaping resilient societies, suggesting that sustained prosperity requires continuous effort and investment in human capital. His insights underscore the importance of balancing innovation with the cultivation of societal strength to navigate future challenges effectively.

Title: The Cyclical Nature of Societal Development: Lessons from Sheikh Rashid

→ Answers to the Passage Questions: Question 3

Question 1:

The conditions for the five-year-old girl in the winter of 1950 were harsh. She was cold, dressed in tattered clothes, and crying from fear and the extreme cold, with temperatures dropping as low as minus 5 degrees.

Question 2:

A young Turkish soldier Süleyman found the Korean girl, later named Ayla, during the Korean War after discovering that her entire family had been killed. He took her under his care and she became like family to the entire military camp.

Question 3:

After the Turkish soldiers had to leave Korea, Süleyman attempted to take Ayla with him to Turkey, but it wasn't possible due to circumstances. He hoped to reunite with her during events like the Turkish National Football Team playing in South Korea in 2002 and after the Çölkük Earthquake in Turkey in 1999.

Question 4:

Ayla was rediscovered many years later when a South Korean journalist investigated her story. It was revealed that her ~~real~~ official name was Kim Eunja, and

she was living in South Korea. When shown old photos, Ayla (Kim Eunja) recognized them and broke down in tears, confirming Süleyman as her hero.

Question 5:

The story of Ayla and Sergeant Süleyman had a profound impact, inspiring a Turkish film titled "Ayla: The Daughter of War", which was Turkey's submission for the Best-Foreign Language Film at the Oscars in 2017. Although the film didn't make the short list, it touched the hearts of millions worldwide, commemorating their touching relationship.