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Q2. Draft

- The new face of war is different because of the nuclear weapons
- They are very destructive
- Its impact has far-reaching consequences
- Today, spending money to acquire these weapons to make sure they are never used is important for peace
- Peace is the solution
- Just speaking of peace will not be fruitful until leaderships take a positive step.
- There needs to be a change in attitude not just at national and individual level.
- thinking needs to be positive.
- Peace is achievable. It is not necessary to resort to war.
- Collective effort

$$\text{no. of words} = \frac{404}{3} = 136 \text{ words}$$

(Q2)

## Peace : a Possibility

The war today is different as it is a nuclear age. A single explosion can be very destructive, having far-reaching consequences.

Acquiring weapons tomorrow is important to establish maintain peace. Just speaking of peace will not be fruitful until the leaderships cooperate. There needs to be a positive change in the attitude, not just at national but also individual level.

It is the hopeless state of mind that makes man believe that peace cannot be established.

In reality, peace is very much achievable but it calls for a collective effort in adopting an optimistic outlook.

95 words

(Q3)

- (i) Drought is a dry weather condition when because of lack of rainfall. The consequences of drought include rivers and streams drying up, cattle dying from thirst and the crops getting ruined.
- (ii) ~~Now~~ The writer does not endorse the popular sayings about the red sky. ~~or the behaviour~~
- (iii) Weather forecasting is a science and it is called 'meteorology'.
- (iv) It is not easy to forecast the weather because many different things affect the weather and each one has to be carefully studied before a fairly accurate forecast can be made.
- (v) The moon would help the people in forecasting weather by its ~~shape or the moon~~ position; if it lay on its back, it meant that it was about ~~to rain~~ to rain.

(Q4)

- (i) The priest joined the bride and groom in holy wedlock.
- (ii) Allen was a scholar, a scientist, and an artist.
- (iv) Tim let his son swim with his friends.
- (vi) He has a four-year subscription to that magazine.
- (viii) Your heritage is different from mine.

(Q5)

(A) A fly sat on one of the shafts of a cart and said to the mule who was pulling it,  
‘How slow you are! Do mend your pace or I shall have to use my sting as a goad.’  
The mule was not in the least disturbed.  
‘Behind me,’ in the cart said, ‘He sits my master. He holds the reins and flicks me with his whip, and him I obey. But I don’t want any of your impertinence. I know when I may dandle and when I may not.’

(B)

- (ii) Sam is going to the meeting in place of his brother, who has to work.
- (iv) John called his brother in hopes of finding somebody to watch his children.
- (vi) If you study the material very thoroughly you will have no trouble on the exam.
- (vii) The course will commence on 1<sup>st</sup> May, 2025.
- (viii) Prop this cycle against the wall.

(Q6)

(A)

- (i) • The old door creaked as I pushed it.
  - We went for a picnic by the creek.
- (ii) • The chef developed a palate after years of cooking.
  - The artist mixed paints on the palette.
- (v) (vi) • The taut muscles are a proof of the athlete's hardwork.
  - My mother taught me about the importance of team work.

- (iii) • John was ~~were~~. The lawyer asked questions  
to elicit a response from the witness.
- John ~~was~~ was involved in illegal drug trafficking.

- (vi) • The footballer player made a faint to his left to trick his opponent.
- Ahmed fainted when he heard the news of his brother's death.

(B)

Mr Thompson was seeking compensation for wrongful termination because he believed that he was unfairly dismissed. The judge confirmed <sup>that</sup> ~~whether~~ he was let go after eight months and then explained that under law, employees with less than a year are not eligible for relief unless there is evidence of discrimination or a specific rights violation. Mr Thompson argued that his rights were violated but the judge replied that he cannot grant relief on those grounds. Mr Thompson then asked if there was nothing he could do and the judge responded that his hands are tied by law. Mr Thompson thanked the judge and said he understand.

The judge then dismissed the case.

(Q7)

A disagreement arose over a recent book fair in Lahore because the literary activities were not prioritised, instead there were many food stalls and non-literary items were being sold which diverted the actual purpose of this fair. Many participants expressed their disappointment and felt that this 'book fair' became more of a food market where books, authors and literary discourse received little attention. The focus on food resulted in stalls instead of book stalls ~~books~~ started a debate - debate whether this event serves its purpose or ~~writing~~ just aims at profit-making.