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Part - II

Question # 02

Pursuit of Peace is Possible

The author advocates for peace, despite the altered nature of war. Total war is not relevant anymore, according to him, due to proliferation of nuclear weapons. Nuclear weapons are the most lethal weapons of the history; and they have long lasting and far reaching impacts. Furthermore, they are stockpiled with an intent to maintain peace. Peace is the rational goal of the human rationality. The concept of universal peace, however, is often criticized as unfeasible, provided the conduct of the hostile actors. Author suggests that the general pursuit of peace requires a shift in attitude. Firstly, the assessment for peace shall begin from within. Secondly, instead of declaring peace to be impossible and conflict to be inevitable, an optimistic approach should be adopted. Peace should be established as the explicit and feasible goal.

Question # 03

(i)

Answer:

Drought is an extreme weather condition in which there is no rainfall for multiple weeks. It results in severe scarcity of water as the rivers and streams get dried. Consequently, it affects cattle and crops. In short, all life forms are affected by drought.

(ii)

Answer:

The writer does not endorse the saying: "A red sky at night is the shepherd's delight. A red sky in the morning is the shepherd's warning." According to the author, it is generally incorrect. He argues that belief in such sayings can render the existence of weather sciences redundant.

(iii)

Answer:

Weather forecasting is a science. It is called meteorology. It involves evaluation of shifts in climate and predicting the pattern of weather over days and weeks. Instruments like thermometers and

barometers have made weather forecasting easier.

(iv)

Weather forecasting has always been a challenging task. It is because of the numerous factors that impact the weather conditions. Unpredictable extreme weather conditions, like droughts or flooding rains, are hard to predict. Technology has, however, made it easier.

(v)

In ancient times, lacking the technology, people relied upon the signs of the skies to assess the weather. They would consider that moon controlled the weather because it held a lot of water. For instance, a crescent shaped moon floating on its back is still, at instances, considered to be a sign of rain.

Question # 04

(i)

The priest joined the couple in the holy wedlock.

(ii)

Allen Turing was a scholar, a scientist, and an artist.

(iii)

The dispute between the faculty and administration was resolved when they got better working conditions.

(iv)

He was thoroughly dissatisfied with the painting and hid it in the closet.

(v)

Tim allowed his son to swim with his friends.

(vi)

He has subscription to that magazine for four years.

(vii)

Your heritage differs from mine.

Question # 05 (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 ways, or I shall 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 doubt and when I may not."

Question #05 (B)

(ii)

Sam is going to the meeting in place of his brother, who has to work

(iii)

The article discusses, for the most part, the possibility of life on other planets

(iv)

John called his brother with hopes of finding somebody to watch his children

(v)

If you study material very thoroughly, you will have no trouble in examination

(vi)

We were walking through the woods when, all of a sudden, we heard a strange sound

(vii)

The course will commence on 1st May, 2005

Question #06 : (A)

Creak : The bird made a loud creak at night.

Creek : They used a wooden plank to cross the creek.

Palate : She savored her palate with the last sip.

Palette : The color palette was, in itself, a piece of art.

Elicit : The book elicited the theory very well.

Illicit : Most of the trade across unregulated borders is illicit.

Peal : The case was re-pealed on public demand.

Peel : Peels of oranges are fragrant.

Taut : varoule got taut after absorbing water.

Taught : Teacher taught students the correct spells.

Question #06 : (B)

In the court-room, the Judge asked Mr. Thomson if he was seeking compensation for wrongful termination, to which he responded with affirmation that he was dismissed unfairly. The Judge further confirmed

that he was dismissed after eight months and stated that as per the law, employees with less than a year are not eligible for relief unless there is evidence of discrimination or a specific violation of right. Mr. Thompson appealed that he felt the discrimination. The judge acknowledged his remarks but maintained his point. Plaintiff confirmed, for one last time, that there was nothing he could do about it. The judge agreed and added that his hands were tied by the law. Eventually, Mr. Thompson formally thanked the judge and the case was dismissed.

Question #07

Recently a controversy erupted over a book-fair in Lahore, because it sidelined the purpose of the book fair by giving undue space to food stalls and other unliterary stuff instead of books. Many visitors expressed disappointment and felt that the book fair was more of a food fair as it spared little space for books, authors, and the literary dialogues. Owing to the excessive focus on the food stalls, the event sparked a debate on its actual purpose as to whether it was to promote literary objectives or financial gains.