

NOA Mock Test - 05

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Subject: English Precis and Composition.

Question : 02

PRECIS

Title: Ad Hominem: Attacking the person, Not the Argument.

The ad hominem fallacy occurs when one attacks the person instead of addressing the argument. A classic example is in British courts, attorneys may be advised to discredit the opposing lawyer rather than the case itself.

Abraham Lincoln famously used this tactic cleverly in an early jury case by mocking his opponent's back buttoned shirt, appealing to the jury's biases and winning the case. This strategy though sometimes effective, shifts focus from the issue to the person. Historically, it has been widely used, from ancient Sophists to modern political contexts. For example,

opponents of Presidents Eisehower and Roosevelt criticized policies based on personal attributes rather than merits, demonstrating a harmful and persistent misuse of ad hominem in public discourse.

Question : 03

Comprehension.

Q01: Who was assigned to defend Kamalpur, and with how many soldiers?

Ans: Captain Ahsan Malik was in charge of protecting Kamalpur, and he commanded a group of 140 soldiers from the 31 Baluch regiment.

Q02: How many years later did the two pilots reunite, and what happened?

Forty years later, Franz Stigler and Charles Brown met again. Their reunion led to a deep and lasting friendship that continued for the rest of their lives.

Q03: What does the story suggest about true bravery beyond fighting?

Ans: The story suggest that true bravery is not just about winning battles or fighting skillfully; it also includes moral courage and humanity.

The passage shows that soldiers like Ahsan Malik, Zahid Haftlang, Franz Stiger and Erwin Rommel acted bravely by protecting others, showing mercy and upholding ethical principles even during war.

Q04: How can acts of kindness and courage affect relationships between former enemies?

Courage and kindness can turn past enemies into friends, creating bonds built on respect, gratitude and shared humanity.

Q05: If Franz Stiglet had shot down Charles Brown's B-17, what would have happened?

If Stigler had attacked the plane, Charles Brown would have died, and the story of their mercy, bravery, and long-lasting friendship, would never have happened.

Question - 04

Sentence Correction.

01. Hundreds of students gathered to attend the conference by Hassan Ali Gondal.
02. I am one of those persons who cannot describe what they feel.
03. Of novel and poetry, the latter is more important.
04. The reading of poetry gives greater delight than the reading of prose.
05. Sir Huzaifa left for Mianwali last Friday, arriving there on Monday.

Question : 05

(a)

Preposition.

01. The doctor gave me a perscription for my cough.
02. Throw this pen into the dustbin.
03. He went into the desert.
04. The bird flew over my head.
05. I don't approve of your language, young man.

(b)

Punctuation.

Two little frogs were playing about at the edge of a pool when an ox came down to the water to drink, and by accident trod on one of them and crushed the life out of him. When the old frog missed him, she asked his brother where he was. "He is dead, Mother," said the little frog. "An enormous big creature with four legs came to our pool this morning and trampled him down in the mud." "Enormous, was he? was he as big as this?" said the frog, puffing herself out to look as big as possible. "Oh yes, much bigger," was the answer. The frog puffed herself out still more. "Was he as big as this?" said she. "Oh yes, yes, Mother, much bigger," said the little frog. And yet again she puffed and puffed herself out till she was almost as round as a ball. "As big as—" she began, but then she burst.

Question : 06

Narration.

01. Majid asked if that was my house.
02. The taxi driver asked where I wanted to be dropped.
03. The judge ordered them to call the first witness.
04. He exclaimed with wonder and asked why I had not suggested that plan earlier.
05. He suggested that they should submit their nomination papers as independent candidates.

Question : 07

Translation.

I wish we could compete that game once again. The moment we close our eyes, those scenes come alive before us. We used to run through the streets with our friends, carefree and happy. If those old days were to return,

we would relive the same joy and freedom.

Now, those moments come back only as

memories, and the heart recalls them

with longing. Childhood was filled with

Simplicity, delight, and carefree wandering—

and when those days pass, they never return.