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Q7 -

TRANSLATION

There are some aspirants of competitive examinations who think that they will ace the exam only by staring at the cover of the book or by placing the notes under their pillow at night. These are the people who seek intercession in their prayers after a preparation of only two days. In reality, neither does anyone possess a 'wand of magic', nor is there any 'short-cut' to success. If extra-ordinary results are sought then the efforts are also supposed to be extra-ordinary. So, next time when you are holding a cup of tea, contemplating about whether to study, or not, just keep in mind that success does not come with jokes, rather with struggle.

iv) carry coal to Newcastle :

Sneaking in snacks into the library was like carrying coal to Newcastle for the students.

v) to get off scot-free :

After doing such an embezzlement, it was impossible for the auditor to get off scot-free.

(B) PAIR OF WORDS

i) Plaintiff, plaintive

The plaintiff was fighting her case before the judge but the plaintive victim could not control her sobs.

ii) valet, valet

As Ali gave keys for valet parking and went into the hall, he forgot rose valets inside the car.

iii) monitor, mentor :

He was focused on his monitor, completing his assignment as his mentor had guided him to do.

vi) crevice, crevasse :

That small crevice in Earth's surface resulted in a large crevasse, centuries later.

vii) beneficent, beneficial :

All is the most beneficent and everything He has made is beneficial for mankind.

said to her, between his sobs, "I only touched it ever so lightly, Mother!" "That is why you got stung, my son!" said she. "If you have grasped it firmly, it would not have hurt you in the least."

(B) PREPOSITIONS

- iv- Every candidate tries to pull away each voter.
- v- The poor live by their honest wages.
- vi- The thief did not swear upon God.
- vii- You have no right to jeer at the beggar.
- viii- He is leaning against the wall as he is not feeling well.

Qs 6. (A)

i) black and blue:

He was beaten black and blue by the bullies in his class.

vi) bad hair day:

Alina thought she would be able to pull off that french hair braid on the reception but it proved to be a bad hair day for her.

vii) keep fingers crossed:

Key player of the football team was injured but the supporters kept their fingers crossed for the next game.

-ges that overly focusing on renewables as epitomes of eco-friendly models leads to sidelining of other core values including, improvement of energy efficiency, shifting from over consumption to reduced consumption and diversification of energy mix for a healthy and sustainably growing environment.

Qs-4:

SENTENCE CORRECTION

ii-

If I had known the answers, I would have passed the examination.

iii-

They have cheated on me. I wish I knew them.

v-

All kinds of stationeries are sold here.

vii-

Little elegance is left in this arrogant youth.

viii-

The mother was searching for her young daughter herself.

Qs-5: (A)

PUNCTUATION

A boy was gathering berries from a hedge when his hand was stung by a nettle. Smarting with pain, he ran to tell his mother and

becomes critical. Recycling of these components is neither very simple nor widely practiced, as a result of which, heaps of toxic waste get accumulated, polluting the environment. Moreover, if a proper waste disposal mechanism is not acquired, the core concept of renewable energy sources as environment friendly will ~~be~~ completely go in vain.

Answer 4:

As per the article, the operational phase of renewable energy resources is not totally pollution free because the discontinuous nature of solar and wind power gives rise to the utilization of fossil fuels as backup energy sources along with reliance on battery storage. Battery storage as back up is also greatly non eco-friendly because lithium and cobalt, two key components of batteries can not be acquired without mining and human rights abuse. Moreover, the vast areas of land, required for wind turbines, are also cleared through deforestation and displacement of local wildlife as well as communities.

Answer 5:

The article proposes a balanced perspective in order to address the limitations of the renewable energy sources. It emphas-

which leaves environmental footprints. i.e solar panels utilize rare earth elements like cadmium and tellurium, whose extraction is done through environmentally damaging, mining practices. Moreover wind turbines also require large amounts of steel, concrete and rare earth magnets, for their manufacturing. Thus, these renewable energy sources not only take up finite sources but their manufacturing is also accompanied by greenhouse emissions.

Answer 2:

Electrical vehicle use is often commended for being eco-friendly, but their production also results in significant pollution in the environment. For instance manufacturing process, primarily of lithium ion batteries, utilizes extensive mining of materials i.e lithium, cobalt and nickel e.t.c. The mining leads to destruction of habitat, contamination of soil and water usage in excessive forms. Moreover, the electricity required for charging EVs is mostly generated from fossil fuels which are a ^{major} source of environmental degradation and improper waste disposal also pollutes the environment.

Answer 3:

Once the lifespan of renewable energy resources ends, their efficient waste dispo-

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PRECIS WRITING

TITLE: Politi-cons: Catch Them If You Can!

Politicians - apparent symbols of decency and integrity - have mastered the art of playing with words. Their governance potential is more in their dreamy story telling than actual actions. Even when questioned about simple issues or their core motives, they will leave you perplexed with their heavy words and oratory skills. Their promises are nothing but means to increase their voter count as are their public displays of grief or kindness. Thus they never miss a chance to get photographed when faking such acts. Their talent of self-preservation is also commendable for which they swiftly align with opposing ideologies and make their ways out of scandals, eventually endorsing that political leaders are the actors who care more about their image than the public's welfare.

Qs-3: COMPREHENSION

Answer 1:

Renewable energy production, as compared to traditional fossil fuels, is environment friendly but not totally problem-free for the ecosystem. For instance, renewable energy systems also use some kind of resource for their functioning.