

Q. NO. 02.

PRÉCIS

Title:

Leadership: The Art of Pretending

According to the author, the speechcraft of politicians is exceptional. When approached with the questions regarding performance, they know exactly how to avoid them. Their art of making phoney promises before elections is unparalleled. They have indeed mastered the craft of all talk no action. They are also well-equipped in portraying themselves as the savior of humanity whenever requisite. Beside this, they are also well compliant with adapting political ideologies as per need at any given time. Hence, leadership is more about polishing the act than working for the public welfare.

Words in passage = 272 words.

Words in précis = 90 words.



Q. NO. 04.

SENTENCE CORRECTION.

1- I will be completing this project by this time tomorrow.

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2- If I know the answers, I would passed the examination.

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3- They cheated me. I wish I know them.

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4- All kinds of stationaries is sold here.

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5- The mother was herself searching in her young daughter.

The mother was searching for herself in her young daughter.

Q. NO. 05.

PUNCTUATION - (A)

A boy was gathering berries from a hedge when his hand was stung by a nettle. Smarting with ^{the} pain, he ran to tell his mother and said to her between his sobs, "~~if~~ I only touched it ever so lightly, mother." "That is why you got stung my son", she said. "If you had grasped it firmly, it would not have hurt you in the least."

-(B)

FILL IN THE BLANKS:

- 1- I am broke **with** him because he is a selfish friend.
- 2- He has got **through** all his hardships in his life.
- 3- Every candidate tries to pull **in** each voter.
- 4- The thief did not swear **by** God.
- 5- He is leaning **against** the wall as he is not feeling well.

Q. NO. 06. - (A)

1. black and blue

My neck was black and blue in the morning and I could not move it.

2. draw a blank

Despite calling the company multiple times for his clearance, he drew a blank.

3. bad hair day

My roommate was having a bad hair day and preferred staying at home.

4. keep fingers crossed

My mentor advised me to give my best and keep fingers crossed.

5. to get off scot-free

~~scot-free~~ Despite overspeeding, the jury let her scot-free with a warning.

-(B)

1- **Plaintiff** As a result of filing a bogus complaint, the jury sentenced the plaintiff for four months in prison.

Plaintive After losing the custody of his child, he was speaking in a plaintive tone.

2- **Valet** When the guests arrived, the valet took care of the parking.

3- **Varlet** Despite his innocent appearance, he turned out to be a valet when we called him for help.

3- **Monitor** The childrens were screaming uncontrollably, so the monitor wrote their names on a piece of paper and gave it to the principal.

Mentor His mentor guided him at every step, but he did not listen.

4- **Cervice** His stamping made a cervice on the floor so he covered it with a mat.

Cervasse The ice-skaters got badly injured after losing their balance because of the cervasse in ice.

5- **Beneficient** His company helped the needy and was always beneficient for those in need.

Beneficial His donations to the local hospital proved to be beneficial for the whole community.

Q. NO. 07.

Translation:

Some aspirants of competitive exams think that they will secure good grades simply by glancing at the book covers or keeping the notes under their pillow while sleeping. They ^{even} seek God's mercy after preparing for only a couple days. The reality is that there is no "magic wand" nor there are any shortcuts to success. In order to achieve extraordinary results, one has to make extraordinary efforts. Therefore, the next time before contemplating whether or not to study, over a cup of tea, keep in mind that success comes to those who work.

Q. NO. 03.

Comprehension

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According to the passage, obtaining renewable energy is a resource extensive process and it leaves sizable environmental footprint. Solar panels require cadmium and tellurium which require environmentally damaging mining practices. Moreover, wind turbines require vast quantities of steel, concrete and rare earth magnets in their manufacturing. These emit large influx of green house gases which disrupts the ecosystem and exploits the limited and non-renewable resources. Hence, the environmental impact of renewable energy may be somewhat lesser but it does not solve the problem of fossil fuels completely.

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As far as the electric vehicles are considered, there is a misconception that they are 100 percent environment friendly. However, the

batteries required for these to function ~~are~~ use lithium-ion batteries and these elements requires extreme mining of lithium, cobalt and nickel. This results in the destruction of habitat of the wildlife, contamination of the soil, and uses high water in stressed regions. If the electricity of these vehicles come from fossil fuels, it adds to the environmental degradation. Moreover, the disposal process of these batteries and improper recycling of toxics leads to damage of environment. Hence, these vehicles are not a perfect solution for preservation of environment.

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The renewable energy systems often have a shorter lifespan of 20 to 30 years. Recycling of these systems is neither easy nor widely observed. Hence, their recycling leads to accumulation of toxic wastes. Without a sustainable infrastructure, there seems no way for these systems to conserve environment.

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As far as the question of renewable energy being entirely pollution free is concerned, the answer is in negative. The ~~are~~ backups of these systems operate on fossil fuels and lithium and cobalt batteries. The storage and recycling of these batteries in itself is an environmental hazard. Furthermore, these ~~of~~ installation of these systems require vast plain lands which results in displacement of wildlife, and communities, deforestation and they also bear heavy costs of installation. Hence, they are not completely pollution-free.

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The article proposes addressing the limitations of renewable energy by observing a balanced perspective. It suggests that blind hoarding and installation of these systems diminish their probable benefits and disrupt the energy mix. These systems are not a complete solution and require careful management and realistic expectations. People should acknowledge their limitations if they want to utilize their maximum potential.