

English Précis & Composition Test 2.

Question # 1.

Translate the passage.

Life does not always follow a straight path. In childhood when we used to be carefree every moment felt like a time for happiness and play. But as we step into youth, the weight of reality made us realize our responsibilities.

The dreams of the past, that we had cherished, now sometimes become reality and sometimes distant stars. The people who learn from the mistakes of the past lay strong foundations for the future. Value the present, for the moment we have right now can change our fate. Remember, time waits for no one. But those who value time, it opens doors of success for them.

Question # 2

Correction of sentences

1. Driving down the road, I saw a beautiful sunset.
2. She has a talent for playing the guitar beautifully.
5. She made an innovation that changed the industry.
7. The solution to the problem was simpler than expected.
8. She was singing while he was writing a letter.

Question # 3

Prepositions

1. She is passionate **about** helping others achieve their goals.
2. The book was written **by** a famous author in the 18th century.
3. She walked **over** the bridge to reach the park on the other side.
4. The child hid the candy **under** the bed, hoping no one would find it.
5. He succeeded **in** his mission despite all odds.
6. The discussion turned **to** the impact of climate change on wildlife.
7. We need to arrive at the station no later **than** 9:00 am.
8. The shop is located **at** the corner of Main Street and Park Avenue.
9. I agree **with** your point of view to some extent.
10. She took responsibility **for** organizing the event.

Question # 4

SENTENCES

ii Hit the nail on the head

Ali hit the nail on the head when he pointed out that the project failed due to lack of communication.

iii Bite the bullet

Amina had to bite the bullet and get vaccinated despite her fear of needles.

iv Spill the beans

Ali spilled the beans about the surprise party when prodded about it.

v Throw in the towel

After trying to fix the pipe for 3 hours, Ali finally decided to throw in the towel and call a mechanic.

vi The best of both worlds.

Working only 3 days a week allows Danigal to have the best of both worlds: He enjoys family time and flexible work schedule.