

Part - II

Q No: 2

Precis:-

In the modern era, materialism, disguised as progress has eroded the moral and spiritual fabric of society. The pursuit of wealth and power has overshadowed virtues like honesty, fairness, and humility. Once-revered institutions such as homes, courts, and educational systems now prioritize gain over goodness. This inversion of values has led to fractured relationships, degraded institutions, and a humanity spiritually stunted despite material abundance. Prosperity has been achieved at the cost of contentment, resulting in a civilization that glitters outwardly but is inwardly hollow and unstable. Real progress demands a moral awakening that restores value to human character over material gain.

Title:- "Hollow Prosperity In A Materialistic Age."

QNo: 3

QNo: 1

Arab leaders, previously, dismissive, were impressed by Pakistan's mastery of digital warfare and disciplined conduct, which led ^{them} to regard it as a formidable power, thus changing their attitude.

QNo: 2

The blackout caused panic in New Delhi and paralyzed communications, psychologically destabilizing India and exposing its vulnerability.

QNo: 3

Without digital warfare, the conflict would have remained conventional, limiting Pakistan's strategic edge and possibly enabling India to retaliate militarily, thereby escalating the conflict further.

Q No: 4

Traditional military force played an initial role in the conflict, but it was the digital warfare that proved more decisive. It disabled India's command systems without physical confrontation, shifted the battlefield to an invisible domain, and diplomatically cornered India.

Q No: 5

The episode demonstrates that power in the 21st century lies not just in military strength but in digital dominance and cyber capabilities, marking a shift from physical to technological superiority.

Q No: 4

- (i) Correction: While we were standing in the line, a thunderstorm could be heard.
- (ii) Correction: He had better speak the truth or he will be punished.
- (iii) Correction: She would rather read a book than watch television.
- (iv) Correction: The lambs were gamboling in the field.
- (viii) Correct as is.

Q No: 5 (A)

As the rain poured over the flooded city, Adeel whispered to his friend, "Did you hear what the mayor said today?" His friend looked puzzled and asked, "What did he say?" Adeel replied, "He said we ignored warnings for years and now the city is paying the price." Those were

his exact words. People around them sighed and one man muttered, it is strange how leaders only speak the truth when disasters strike."

Q No: 5
(B)

- (i) He persisted in the teeth of overwhelming opposition.
- (ii) The policy was conceived under the auspices of the international consortium.
- (iii) Under pain of severe penalties, citizens were forbidden to engage in trade contrary to royal decrees.
- (iv) The manuscript, though written in colone of scholarship, was actually prepared in furtherance of a political agenda.
- (vi) She is married to him.

Q No: 6

(✓A)

i) throw cold water on

Sentence: She always throws cold water on my ideas instead of supporting them.

ii) move heaven and earth

Sentence: He moved heaven and earth to get the job done on time.

iii) sail close to the wind

Sentence: Journalists often sail close to the wind when exposing political scandals.

(vi) clutch at straws

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Sentence: In desperation, he began clutching at straws to prove his innocence.

vii) Cry over spilt milk

Sentence: There's no use crying over spilt milk; we must move forward.

Q No: 7

Translation:-

Margaret, an elderly woman from London, uses the Annunciation Station of the city's transportation department every day just to hear the voice of her late husband Russell Lawrence. His voice was recorded in the 1970's to announce, "Mind the gap," and after his death, it became the only way for Margaret to feel his presence. In 2012, when his iconic voice was replaced with an electronic recording, Margaret contacted the authorities. Once the department realized the emotional value attached to it, they reinstated her husband's voice at the station. Now, every day, she hears her beloved's voice filled with love echoing through the station.