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PAPER: ENGLISH (PRÉCIS & COMPOSITION)

Question No-2

Write a précis of the passage

In every era, civilizations have displayed greatness, but beneath that progress lies unseen decay. Today's society, obsessed with speed, innovation and desire for more, hides a spiritual emptiness. Values once rooted in justice, humility and balance are replaced by selfishness and pride. Institutions, which were once built on ethics are now driven by materialistic gains. There are many disadvantages of this change. There is no trust among neighbours and institutions are degenerating, and intellect is bowing to greed. We once wanted to enlighten ourselves which is now replaced with thirst for more wealth. Such hollow progress makes the spirit of human restless. Unless, a moral awakening overthrews this glamorized progress, society will glitter from outside but crumbles from within.

Total words of the paragraph = 354

Total words of précis = 119

Title: Moral Crisis beneath Modern Progress

Question No 3 Comprehension

(i)

Aqab leaders changed their attitude towards Pakistan after the conflict because they were deeply impressed by Pakistan's mastery of digital warfare and its disciplined conduct. They began to regard Pakistan as a formidable power.

(ii)

During the conflict, Pakistan did not limit its response to defense only. ~~they~~ Pakistan used missiles and ~~low~~ long-range artillery to ~~struck~~ down selected military installations, which resulted into a blackout. Due to blackout, their communications were paralyzed and spread panic in New Delhi. Due to this, Indians were psychologically affected and could not retaliate against Pakistan.

(iii)

If Pakistan had not launched digital warfare after military missile retaliation, then, India could bounce back stronger and attacked Pakistan more severely. It was thanks to digital warfare that forced India to surrender.

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(iv)

Traditional military force and digital warfare both affected India's defense security. During traditional military intervention, Pakistan struck down selected military installation that paralyzed during communication. While, during digital warfare, cyber units of Pakistan disabled enemy command systems, blinded satellite networks, silenced air defense radar and disrupted encrypted communication. According to my thinking, digital warfare proves to be more effective because entire India's security was at risk not just some selected installations. It was digital warfare that forced India to surrender.

(v)

The event of May 10, 2025, showed us that power does not lie only in traditional warfare. Gone are those days when military superiority meant size of army and traditional weapons. In today's world power lies in digital warfare. Those who are good in digital warfare, are considered great power. Therefore, now states have to focus on their digital warfare as it is the fifth generation of warfare.

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Question No 4

a) Connect any five sentences

(i)
^{we were}
While standing in the line, a
thunderstorm could be heard.

(ii)
He better speaks the truth or he
will be punished.

(iii)
She would rather read a book
than watch television.

(iv)
The lambs were gamboling in the
field.

(v)
A five-foot-long snake was killed
by the villagers.

(vi)
Not only was he a thief, but he
was also a murderer.

Question No 5

a) Punctuate the passage

As the rain pour down 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 this 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."

b) Rewrite using prepositions

- i- He persisted in the teeth of overwhelming opposition.
- ii- The policy was conceived under the auspices of international consortium.
- v- The glass breaks into pieces.
- vi- She is married to him.
- viii- He is sitting under the shade of tree.

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Question No 6

Use only five in your own sentences

(i)

My friend's negative comments
threw cold water on my plan to
start preparation for CSS; yet I
remained persistent on my decision.

(ii)

My father moved heaven and earth
to fulfill my dreams.

(iii)

The police officer sailed close to the
wind by arresting a renowned
criminal who was had political support.

(iv)

With his business collapsing, he was
clutching at straws by borrowing
more money.

(v)

Instead of studying, he keeps building
castles in the air about getting
good marks.

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Question No 7

Translate into English

Margaret, an elderly woman, everyday goes to the Embankment train station of London to listen to the announcement, "Mind the Gap" in the voice of her late husband, Oswald Lawrence.

This announcement was recorded in the 1970s, and after Oswald's death, hearing it made Margaret feel close to her husband. In 2012, when this announcement was replaced by electronic recording, Margaret contacted Transport for London. When the organization learnt of her feelings, they restored her husband's voice at Embankment Station. Now, daily, that loving voice makes the announcement there.

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