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Question # 4. (correction).

iii)- The bag ^{so} was heavy that I couldn't hardly lift.

→ The bag was so heavy that I could hardly lift.

vi)- None of the two applicants had suitable qualifications.

→ Neither of the two applicants had suitable qualifications.

vii)- Ahsan doesn't want to study, nor he wants a job.

→ Ahsan neither want to study, nor he want to do a job.

iv)- She advised me to never point my finger to anyone.

→ She advised me to never point my finger at anyone.

i)- We accepted their offer on the ground that something is better than nothing.

→ We accepted their offer on the ground that something was better than nothing.



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Question # 5(A).

Q. Punctuation.

The prisoner looked through the narrow window, and said, "They call this justice. Yet, I have never been heard." The guard replied softly, "Orders are orders. Sir, freedom isn't decided here."

A journalist outside shouted, "The minister claimed no one is above the law, but who decides what law means when truth is behind bars." The cell fell silent. The prisoner smiled faintly, and whispered, "They can cage a man, but not his conviction."

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Question # 5(b).

Q- Prepositions.

- i)- Tehmina applied to a bank for a loan.
- ii)- She died of starvation.
- iv)- We saw the movie at the theatre.
- v)- I rowed the boat across the lake.
- vii)- We all sat around the dinner table.
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Question # 6

→ Phrases

Sentences

i)- A fish-out of water

The extreme cold of Canada was very harsh to a South Asian immigrants, and ~~he~~ was like a fish out of water.

ii)- To give the devil his due ~~share~~

The police gave the rapist his due share by encountering him in a shootout.

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Question # 2

v)- Live Wire

Giving another responsibility to a doctor after he has done forty-hours duty in a hospital is like touching a hot and live wire.

iii)- Go to the wall

Many small firms went to the wall due to economic crises in the country.

iv)- To play truant

Aslam used to play truant from the school to avoid maths test.



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Question # 7

"Translation"

If any professor of Urdu claims that he understands the poems of Ghalib very well, and he can talk about ~~about~~ its literary aspects, then indeed, he is depicting his wisdom. But, if he is asked to make a couplet like that of Ghalib, then he will be helpless. Because wisdom and creativity are two different worlds. Intelligence is the creation of brain, while creativity is the result of divinity and conscience. The position achieved by Ghalib was not ^{just} due to just study and hardwork, but was a symbol of an extra-ordinary intelligence, affection and gift of Allah. That is why that even after centuries, his poems effect the hearts just like it did in his times.

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Question # 2.

(Précis) → Total words = 343.

"Quest for Sustainable Technology"

In today's world, the concept of green energy has become a marketing strategy. People and organizations term green and renewable resources as the only remedy to the carbon fuels. But the so-called healthy technology comes at a very high price of environmental degradation. Mining is done to extract (precious) precious elements that are used in these technologies. It threatens ecological balance by polluting and making it unsuitable for living. Electric vehicles, solar panels and wind turbines are regarded as symbols of green revolution, but they are still dependent on conventional resources for proper functioning. Here, one problem is solved by creating one. In short, it is another way of exploiting the Earth in the clothes of clean technology. (116).

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Question # 3 (comprehension).

Q.1 Why did Timothy Dexter's rivals advise him to ship coal to Newcastle, and what was the intended outcome of this suggestion?

Ans. Timothy Dexter's rivals advised him to ship coal to Newcastle because of jealousy. He was an established American trader who was a bit naive, but very lucky. His strange business decisions brought great fortunes to him. His envious rivals could not bear his fame and success. They had bad intentions to make him lose everything. So, they advised him to ship coal to ^{the city of} Newcastle, which had already endless supply of coal. But nature had other plans.

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Q.2. What unexpected event in England transformed Dexter's apparently foolish coal venture into a profitable success.

Ans. As nature was very fortunate and blessed upon Dexter, so the apparently

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foolish coal venture turned into a profitable success due to miners' strike in strike in England. The strike created a shortage of coal in the city. It proved to be a blessing for Dexter. The huge demand of coal of the city was fulfilled by the Dexter. He sold his entire stock at high prices by earning significant profit. This foiled the treacherous plans of his rivals.

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Q.3. What does the writer imply about the relationship between luck in Timothy Dexter's success? & intelligence

Ans. The author implies that luck played a significant role in Timothy Dexter's success. Despite formal education, he was quite intelligent. His confidence and instincts made him very successful. Additionally, his fortune was like addition of sugar to honey. He was not much intelligent, but very bold. It can be implied from the passage that Dexter had a blend of luck and foolishness that greatly enhanced Dexter's business.

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Q. 4. How does Dexter's repeated success in turning into profit challenge conventional ideas about business? wisdom and education?

Ans. Luck favoured Dexter everytime. He earned profit. He got success from unconventional ideas ranging from sending bed warmers to Carribbean to shipping cats to West Indies. His methods challenged the conventional ideas about wisdom and education. He got successful because he was bold, and had belief in his abilities. It is not the business knowledge that brings profit, but the strong ability to face hardships with resilience. One can achieve his target by having steen faith, and by moving courageously.

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Q.5. What can be inferred about human perception of "foolishness" and "genius" from the way Dexter's rivals reacted to his achievements?

Ans. It can be inferred from the way Dexter's rivals reacted to his achievements that humans are generally jealous of each other's progress. His rivals could not see his ~~the~~ developing business. So, they made plan to degrade him. People take advantage of the innocence of others, and try to deceive. ~~But~~ They even mock at innocent persons for their foolishness. In fact, the real fools are the ones who are thinking about loss of others. In present case, Dexter was seemed to be foolish but his confidence and devotion made his business prosperous.

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