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Renewable Energy: A Deception

The renewable energy has been termed as a source of hope to save humanity from fossil fuels. However, it has itself become a way to exploit earth's resources. The costly renewable energy sources require extraction of minerals from that destroys the earth's ecology. The old sources of challenges to environment get replaced by new ones. Products such as Electric vehicle batteries, Turbine blades and solar panels have high environmental costs and zero potential to be recycled. Furthermore, their maintenance and production is also fossil-fuel driven. Apparently, the concern for environment has translated into business ventures rather self-contemplation. The path ahead lies in taking responsibility of one's own actions and ensuring ecofriendly measures.

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Q1

Ans:- The author states that the rivals of Timothy Dexter wanted to see him fail. They wanted to humiliate him by sending him to Newcastle to sell coal there. His rivals knew that Dexter would fail to sell coal because Newcastle had an endless supply of coal and so there was no need of Dexter's coal. Dexter would ^{ultimately} return humiliated and depressed.

Q2

Ans:- The author notes that there was a miners' strike in England that led to shortage of coal. With no coal in the market, its prices rose. Dexters sold all his coal and made a lot of profit due to the unexpected strike. and subsequently, the ~~expensive~~ shortage of coal in England.

Q3

Ans:- Through Timothy Dexter's success, the author highlights how luck and intelligence can make one successful. It was Dexter's luck that there was a miners' strike in England. Due to this, coal was in shortage and the demand of it had increased. It was Dexter's intelligence that he fully capitalized the event by selling the whole cargo of coal at high profits. Together, luck and intelligence, made him successful and his rivals disappointed.

Q4

Ans: ~~D~~ Dexter's repeated success underscores the importance of taking risks in businesses. Had dexter not taken the risk to go to England, he would have not earned such massive profits. It indicates that uncertainty is sometimes a blessing. One could achieve great success in these moments. In terms of education, dexter's success highlights that one does not have to strictly follow the conventional standards of business but rather explore the undiscovered avenues that hold a treasure of success and prosperity. Sticking to the conventional ideas would not bring much success. 

Q5

Ans:- Dexter's rivals considered him to be a fool, because he use to take the most unusual business ~~thar~~ decisions, and genius because he was expert in turning those unusual decisions into success. The human perception about 'foolishness' and 'genius' highlights how the bizarre and often unconventional decisions taken are turned into one of the most successful through intelligence and skillful management of it.

Sentence Correction

Q:-

i) We accepted their offer on grounds that something is better than nothing

iii) ~~The bag was so heavy that I couldn't lift it.~~

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

vi) Neither of the two applicants had suitable qualifications

vii) Ahsan neither wants to study nor wants a job.

iii) The bag was so heavy that I could hardly lift it

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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 the truth is behind bars". The cell fell silent. The

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Prisoner smiled faintly and whispered "they can cage a man, but not his conviction".

Q:- Rewrite sentences with appropriate prepositions.

iii) Look to the left and you will see our destination.

v) I rowed the boat in the Lake.

viii) I pushed through the crowd.

vii) We all sat at the dinner table.

ix) Tehmina applied to a bank for a loan.

Q:- Sentence formation (Idioms)

viii) I wish I could put back the clock and relive my university life.

vi) Ali travelled to his school on pins and needles under scorching heat.

vii) Aslam gave a fiery and laconic speech that made his opponent exit the hall.

i) Taking the culture ~~of~~ out of a society is equivalent to taking a fish out of water because the society dies ultimately.

ii) If you treat the bullied kid and the bullier ~~as~~ equally, you are giving the devil his due share.

Translation

If an Urdu professor claims that he has good understanding of Ghalib's poetry and can beautifully articulate it to capture the moment then indeed he is showing off because if he is asked to do so, he will not be able to do it. This is because knowledge and articulation are two different aspects. Knowledge comes from one's intellectual ability whereas articulation is a result of being ~~in~~ it embedded in the poetry. The status Ghalib achieved was not merely because of his hardwork but rather due to his extraordinary intelligence, compassion and closeness to God. This is the reason why his poetry still resonates today like it used to in his time.