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Mock Exam II
2:30 to 3:30

English (precis and
Composition)

Q.NO: 2

Make a precis of
the following passage
and suggest a suitable
title.

Title: "The Green
illusion: Hidden Costs
of Renewable Energy"

Renewable energy is
widely hailed as humanity's

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moral redemption from
the fossil-fueled past,
yet its promise conceals
a troubling paradox.

The technologies power
this "green revolution".
Solar panels, wind turbines
and electric vehicles
depend on the extraction
of rare-earth minerals
and metals through
destructive mining, particularly
in impoverished regions
like Congo, Chile, and
China. This process
devastates ecosystems,
replacing one environmental
crisis with another.

Electric vehicles, despite
their eco-friendly image,
generate high carbon
emissions during battery
production and later add

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to electronic waste due to recycling difficulties. Similarly wind and solar farms, though clean in operation, rely on non-recyclable materials and fossil fuels for manufacturing and maintenance, making the notion of **"zero**

emissions" deceptive. The deeper tragedy lies in humanity's moral complacency. Environmentalism has been commodified into marketing rather than genuine reforms. True sustainability requires restraint, efficiency, and humility. not further exploitation masked as progress. Renewable energy, instead of healing

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the planet, is merely
inflicting new wounds
under a greener
guise.

Passage's words 480

Precis's words 162

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Answer the questions
that follows

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- (i) Why did the Timothy
Dexter's rivals
advise him to ship
coal to Newcastle,
and was the intended
outcome of this suggestion?

Answer:

Dexter's rivals

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advised him to send coal to Newcastle — a city full of coal — to mock his poor judgement and cause his financial ruin.

Question (ii)

Answer:

A miners' strike in England stopped coal production, creating a shortage that turned Dexter's shipment into highly profitable deal.

Question (iii)

Answer:

The author implies Dexter's success came more from luck than intellect, showing

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that chance can
sometimes outweigh
planning in success.

Question (iv)

Answer:

Dexter's repeated success shows that education and logic aren't the only paths to business success; confidence and risk-taking can also triumph.

Question (v)

Answer:

The rivals' reaction shows that foolishness and genius are judged by results, what seems absurd

before success is seen
as brilliance afterward.

Question No. 4

Correct any five of
the following sentences.

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

We accepted their
offer on the grounds
that something is better
than nothing.

- (ii) Use one Capful to
half bowl of water.

Use one Capful to
half a bowl of water.

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

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The bag was so heavy that i could hardly lift it.

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

She advised me never to point my finger at anyone.

(v) An inning is one of the divisions of match during which one team takes its turn to bat.

An inning is one of the divisions of a match during which one team takes its turn to bat.

Question NO. 5 (A)

Punctuate the following passage:

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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."

Question No. 5 (B)

Fill in the blanks:

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- (i) Tehmina applied to a bank for a loan.
- (ii) She died of Starvation.
- (iii) Look to the left and you will see our destination.
- (iv) We saw a movie in the theatre.
- (v) I rowed the boat across the lake.
- (vi) you can go after you have done your homework.
- (vii) We all sat around the dinner table.
- (viii) I pushed through the crowd.

Question No. 6

Idioms:

(i)

A fish out of water

I felt like a fish out of water on my first day at college.

(ii)

To give the devil his due

I do not like him, but I must give the devil his due - he works hard.

(iii)

To play truant

The boys played truant to watch a movie.

(iv)

On pins and needles

She was on pins and needles while waiting for the result.

(v) To put back
the clock

We cannot put back
the clock and
change the past.

Question No. 7

Translate the following
into English, keeping
in view the idiomatic
figurative expression.

If a professor of Urdu
were to claim that
Ghalib's poetry can be
fully understood through
scholarly analysis and
critical appreciation,
he would be gravely
mistaken. For Ghalib
was not merely a poet;

he was a revelation
a blend of divine
inspiration and intellectual
creation. Understanding
and imagination are
two different realms.
The intellect gives
birth to comprehension
while inspiration gives
rise to intuition and
vision. Chhalib's genius
was not confined to
intellect or knowledge
but stemmed from a
mystical and divine
consciousness. That's why
even after centuries,
his poetry continues
to cast the same
spell on hearts and
minds as it did in
his own time.