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Q2

Over-reliance on Experts

The modern people rely on the opinions of experts more than ever. We shape our ideas, understanding, and concepts based on the judgement of the experts. Being an expert in one domain does not mean a person has the ability to draw a full understanding of life's meaning and its wisdom. Every expert sees a human being as per his understanding of the world, and that is in turn shaped by his specific field in which he carries specialization. Experts provides us half truths and we base our whole story on those partial truths. Problems like climate change requires the understanding of more than one field. A medieval thinker is better than us because he had a clear picture of the whole worldview and its knowledge. We have neglected ordinary knowledge and common sense, turning us into no better than fools. We need

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the help of institutions which can develop connections across different subjects instead of just digging deeper into one specific field. Failure to do so will make us blind to look upon the big picture.

Q3) Answering the questions from the passage:

Ans1) The fundamental error in the popular understanding of tradition and progress which the author identifies is that we are taught to view tradition and progress as two opposing forces. Tradition representing the past and progress, the future. It is considered dangerous because it lead us into an intellectual trap, which causes delusions in the modern mind.

Ans2) The author uses historical ~~exa~~ examples to challenge the notion that progress requires abandoning the past like: ~~the scholars of European Renaissance~~ looked backward into the example of European Renaissance in

which the scholars looked to classical antiquity even as they moved forward into modernity. The author also gives the example of great religious reformers who grounded their revolutionary visions in ancient texts. The author ^{gave} ~~used~~ the example of scientific revolutions as well who used the insights of earlier thinkers.

Ans 3) The writer describes traditions as "a living conservation across generations" rather than "a static repository of dead customs". It means that we cannot move forward without fully understanding the concepts of the past. We do not progress instantly, progress requires the slow and steady process of continuous struggle through generations. Therefore, tradition is of utmost importance.

Ans 4) The paradox that exists in the modern search for meaning is that it is searched in early spiritualities, therapeutic techniques, and political movements rather than ancient knowledge and wisdom. What

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They seek can be found in tradition. This shows that our society is more inclined towards modern techniques while rejecting tradition and priceless wisdom.

Ans) It is possible to distinguish between valuable traditions and harmful ones, with real intelligence and judgement. The traditions that are harmful can be easily pointed out by its impact on societies in history. By studying history one can easily know the benefits and negative impacts of certain traditions. The UNHR is a prime example of this endeavour. Apart from this democracy itself serves the best example which is somewhat similar to Roman and Greek traditions.

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Group Correcting the Sentences:

- 1) The committee which was appointed ~~last~~ to investigate the matter submitted its report last week.

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- 2) He has been living in this city for ten years and knows every corner of it.
- 3) Scarcely had I reached the station before the train departed from the platform.
- 4) The number of unemployed graduates is increasing every year in the country.
- 4) Each of the students is required to submit their assignment before the deadline.

Q5) Punctuating the Passage:-

The minister addressing the gathering said, "my fellow citizens we stand at a critical juncture in our nations history." "We must ask ourselves are we prepared to face the challenges ahead, or shall we succumb to despondency and inaction?" "Dr. Ahmad, the renowned economist had warned us last year that unless immediate reforms are

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undertaken the economy will collapse." "However, his advice was not heeded." "Now we find ourselves in precisely the predicament he had predicted." "Therefore, I urge you all to support the government's new economic policy which though painful in the short term, will yield beneficial results in the long ~~term~~ run." "Let's not," he continued, "repeat the mistakes of the past. Let's move forward with determination and courage."

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B) Re-writing the sentences:

i) The judge acquitted him on the charge of theft.

ii) We must abide by the rules of the institution.

iii) He is deficient of common sense despite his education.

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iii) The principal presided over the function yesterday.

v) The new policy is prejudicial for the interests of small farmers and landless labourers.

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Literature is the core of every society, which reflects its moral and spiritual situation. When the literature of any nation starts declining, one must understand that the nation is about to meet its end. Alas, today's literature have become poisonous and the mafia have complete control over it. The writer who sells his pen for money; sells his character as well. The real writers are those who stands firm against the criminals and write rightfully, no matter whatever sacrifices he must make. But in the current era, such writers are no where to be found.

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Most of the literary writers ~~as~~ succumb to authority, and are busy, in efforts, which are in vain, making the powerful happy through their publications. This is a betrayal to the literature and a breach to the nation.
