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English précis & composition  
Final test

QNo:1

(a) similar in meaning

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|-----------------|-----------------|
| 1. Negritude X  | 6. Obscure ✓    |
| 2. Inevitable ✓ | 7. Abstainer X  |
| 3. Pallid X     | 8. vivid X      |
| 4. Untamed ✓    | 9. craftiness X |
| 5. wrench ✓     | 10. notorious X |
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(b) opposite in meaning

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| 1. Unrepentant ✓ | 6. Badger X    |
| 2. Praise ✓      | 7. Archaic X   |
| 3. certify X     | 8. Depressed X |
| 4. prevent X     | 9. Pervade X   |
| 5. elegy X       | 10. Exalt X    |
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QNo: 2

## Précis Writing

### The Rise and Fall of Oratory 1

In modern times, the oratory has been suppressed unlike in ancient times when being an orator was an honour. The author says that orators like Brutus and Demosthenes used to shape future through their eloquent speeches in confidential decision making. Contrarily, in contemporary era, the improvisation of written documents and rise of public speaking has marginalized oratory. In the voluminous hold up of oratory in history, Sir Winston Churchill is of prime importance. His impactful utterances and eloquent speeches influenced national and international affairs, making him an unforgettable orator of history. His precise selection of words attracted the audience for more than 50 years.

words in paragraph: 390

words in précis: 121

QNo: 3

## Comprehension

(Answer: 1)

In the passage, the sportsmanship has been conceptualized as an enduring and compassionate trait that differs from individual to individual in regard with different situations. It refers to the virtues of courage, self-control, persistence, fairness and a mutual respect for both, the authority and the opponents.

(Answer: 2)

The four elements of sportsmanship mentioned in the passage are being good form, the will to win, equity and fairness. A balance must be found among all these 4 critical traits as they make or break the sportsmanship. Without a balance between these traits, the player and sportsmanship fell a prey to inequality and cheating.

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(Answer : 3)

According to the passage, the desire to win sometimes conflict with the elements of equity and fairness because sometimes the player become too self-centered.

And thus his desire to win either by hook or crook supress the

sportsmanship, marginalizing the elements of equity and fairness.

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(Answer : 4)

A sore loser does not make himself accountable for his loss rather he takes a dig at others blaming them for his loss and make excuses. While a bad

winner acts immaturely, scoff and taunt his opponent consequently lowering their

self-esteem. This impacts the perception of sportsmanship because sports are not

about demoralizing and discouraging others.

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QNo:4

(A) Sentence correction

(ii)

While he was walking through the forest, the rain suddenly started. ✓

(iv)

This is the perfect solution to the problem. ✓

(v)

A large amount of books was donated to the library. ✗

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(vi)

They suggested us to join the club. ✓

(viii)

It is Sara and Maria's house. ✓

(B) Preposition

(i)

The baseball game was cancelled by the heavy rain.

(ii)

Would someone please get this bug off me? ✓

(iii)

All the neighbours were there except the new one. ✓

(v)

He succeeded with a little help. ✓

(x)

It's already an hour to my curfew. ✗

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QNo:5

## Punctuation

If you look about you and consider  
the lives of others as well as your own,  
if you think how few are born with  
honour and how many die without name  
or children, how little beauty we see  
and how few friends we hear of,  
how many diseases and how much  
poverty there is in the world, you will  
fall down upon knees and instead of  
repining at one affliction; will admire  
so many blessings which you have  
received from the hands of God. 1

QNo: 6

## Pair of words

(vi)

Pour:

She poured the milk into the mixture of dry ingredients. ✓

Pore:

The fear of pores is known as trypanophobia. ✗

(vi)

Especially:

Pakistan's army showed their military excellence in operation bunyan-un-marsoos, especially the air force. ✓

Specially:

Muslims observe their religious days with due respect specially eid-een. ✗

(iii) Object:

It is ill-mannered to object someone's dress. ✗

Abject:

Pakistan's army abjected the false accusations of India. ✗

(ii)

Averse:

Taking an unbalanced diet has averse affects on mental and physical health. ✗

Adverse:

A trauma has adverse and painfull impact on man's psychology. ✓

(iii)

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Everyday:

One must go for a walk everyday for his or her mental peace. ✗

Every day:

Every day is a new chance to re-write your story. ✓

QNo:7

## Translation

The tragedy of our society is that everyone laments for change but when it comes to their own actions, they act fool. Slogans of revolution are raised in routs, articles often overflow with reform recommendations but in everyday life, it does not take a moment to compromise on even a small principle. Henceforth, society has become a reflecting mirror of hell, where one side paints the palaces of delusion while other side portrays the failure of reality. We all want the improvisation of others but fear self-accountability as if each person is the evidence of nearer the church, farther from God. Nations are not born out of slogans but out of character and character flourishes when every individual holds onto the honesty in his domain otherwise collective development is just a delusion.

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