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PRECIS & COMPOSITION
TEST 2

QUESTION #03

Synonyms:-

- 1 Impervious → Resistant ✓
- 2 Laconic → Brief and to the point ✓
- 3 Obsequious → Independent X
- 4 Venerate → Honour ✓
- 5 Trepidation → Anxiety ✓
- 6 Cogent → Persuasive ✓
- 7 Fastidious → Meticulous ✓
- 8 Impetuous → ~~The~~ Rash ✓
- 9 Auspicious → Promising ✓
- 10 Recondite → Complex and little known ✓

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OPPOSITE MEANING

- 1 Inscrutable → Transparent ✓
- 2 Malevolent → Benevolent ✓
- 3 Impervious → Penetrable ✓
- 4 Ambivalent → Certain ✓
- 5 Veracious → Moderate ✓
- 6 Intractable → Manageable ✓
- 7 Tacit → Explicit ✓
- 8 Laconic → Wordy ✓
- 9 Mollify → Aggravate ✓
- 10 Obscure → Conspicuous ✓

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QUESTION # 02
PAIR OF WORDS

ii. Faint

The patient fainted in
the corridor of the hospital
due to low blood pressure.

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Date: _____

Day: _____

Feint

Tamil lays on the road
and fainted to be
dead, when he saw
a bear coming towards
him.

✓

v Gamble

Drinking and gambling
is forbidden in Islam.

✓

Gambol

The shepherd was
watching his herd
gambolling in the
vast meadows.

✓

vi Incite

With his hateful speech,
the speaker incited the
crowd to violence.

✓

insight

Martin Luther King Jr. had
the ability to understand
people and situation very
well; In short, he was the
leader of great insight.

✓

viii Hoard

While inspecting the
locked stores in the town,
the government officials found
hundreds of wheat and sugar
stored there.

✓

Horde:

The horde of feminists were on roads demanding for their rights during 1960's civil rights movement. ✓

iv Loath

She is willing to cook for dinner but loath to do dishes as well. ✓

Loathe:

Her husband cheated on her, therefore she loathe everyone who cheats on their ~~loved ones~~ partners. ✓

QUESTION # 01.

i How does the author characterize the nature of human memory.

* The author characterizes the nature of memory as an archive of human experience, based on selective moments.

1 He further explains that human memory is shaped by observations as well as prevailing interpretations. Hence, the characterization of the nature of human memory by the author is based on its reconstructive nature.

2 Why is memory described as both reconstructive and selective?

- 1 *
- Memory is described as both reconstructive and selective because human brain recalls selective memory based on ~~its~~ human's desires and fear. This memory is ^{then} reconstructed ~~then~~ according to the prevailing beliefs and interpretation. Hence the current beliefs, and human fears and desires make a memory reconstructive and selective.

3 What role does collective memory play in shaping societal understanding?

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- Collective memory is the shared recollections of communities based on individual narratives and social framework. Through selective acquisition of certain rituals and tradition, one can understand one's societal background. Therefore, collective memory plays an important role in shaping societal understanding.

4 How do emotions and perspective influence memory according to passage?

Emotions and perspective deeply influence the memory. It is because the events related to joy or happiness

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are recalled without any fear or hesitation involved. On the other hand memories of fear and shame brings distress in life. Similarly, the prevailing perceptions shapes the recalled memory according to its provisions. Hence, it wouldn't be false to say that emotions and perceptions make the memory selective and reconstructive.

5 Why is memory considered inseparable from identity?

Memory is considered inseparable from identity because the recalled memory is based on any worldly tradition or perception; such memory is again reconstructed according to prevailing interpretations. In this way, a memory reveals about an individual identity, shaped by past occurrences and present rituals. Therefore, memory is considered so identity is deeply intertwined with recalling.