

English Essay & Composition

1. Write a comprehensive and analytical essay on one of the topics listed below: 50 marks

- (a) Women in sports: Challenges and opportunities
- (b) Key suggestions to improve the Higher Education policies in Pakistan
- (c) Literature is criticism of life
- (d) Youth Bulge in Pakistan: A construction or destruction for socio-economic opportunities
- (e) Agricultural revolution: The need of Hour
- (f) Child psychology and cultural constraints

2. Explain the meaning of any five of the following expressions and use them in sentences: 5 marks

- (a) Break the bank
- (b) Rolling in dough
- (c) Penny-pincher
- (d) Cash cow
- (e) Broke the bank
- (f) Cost an arm and a leg
- (g) In the black
- (h) On a shoestring budget
- (i) Money talks
- (j) Rob Peter to pay Pal

3. Write a short note on any one of the following 15 marks

- (a) Poverty alleviation strategies
- (b) Future of democracy in Pakistan.

4. Make a précis of the following passage and give a title: 15 marks

Rural development lies at the heart of any meaningful development strategy. This is the only mechanism to carry the message to the majority of the people and to obtain their involvement in measures designed to improve productivity levels. Rural population

exceeds 70 percent of the total population of the country, despite a rapid rate of urbanization. Average rural income is 34 percent less than per capita urban income. A large part of under employment is still concealed in various rural activities particularly in the less developed parts of the country. For centuries, the true magnitude of poverty has been concealed from view by pushing a large part of it to the rural areas. This set in motion a self-perpetuating mechanism. The more enterprising and talented in the rural society migrated to the cities in search of dreams which were seldom realized. Such migrants added to urban squalor. The relatively more prosperous in the rural society opted for urban residence for different reasons. The rural society itself has in this way systematically been denuded of its more enterprising elements, as rural areas developed the character of a huge and sprawling slum. Development in the past has touched rural scene mainly via agricultural development program. These are essential and would have to be intensified. Much more important is a large scale expansion of physical and social infrastructure on the village scene. These included rural roads, rural water supply and village electrification as a part of the change in the physical environment and primary education and primary health care as the agents of social change. The task is to provide modern amenities as an aid for bringing into motion the internal dynamics of the rural society on a path leading to increase in productivity and self-help, changing the overall surrounding, while preserving coherence, integrated structure and the rich cultural heritage of the rural society.

جب ہم گاڑیوں اور محفوظ سڑکوں کی بات کرتے ہیں تو ہماری مراد ان سے حادثات ہوتی ہے جن میں گاڑیاں اور پیدل چلنے والے لموٹ ہوتے ہیں۔ چنانچہ ان حادثات کی روک تھام کے طریقے تلاش کیے جاتے ہیں۔ ان حادثات کے علاوہ گاڑیاں فضا کو آلودہ کرنے کا سبب بھی بن رہی ہیں۔ یہ بات اب ثابت ہو چکی ہے کہ گاڑیوں سے نکلنے والی آلودگیاں بہت سی بیماریاں پیدا کرتی ہیں۔ ان میں مہلک بیماریاں بھی شامل ہیں جو آجکل بہت عام ہو گئی ہیں۔ چنانچہ فضا کو آلودگی سے پاک کرنے کے طریقے ڈھونڈنا اور بھی ضروری ہے۔