

Test Series Batch-Online-1
CSS-2026 (November 2025)
English Précis & Composition Test-4
Total Marks: 30

Q. 1.A. Punctuate the following sentences. (05 Marks)

it was almost midnight when the young scholar returned to his rooms he had left them in a state of revolt piles of books lay like islands in a turbulent sea papers fluttered on the floor as if impatient to be read and on the desk a single lamp burned its halo warming a photograph of his grandmother which seemed to smile even in such disorder who would have thought she once peddled tales to children in the village he wondered would she have laughed at his neat theories written now in the margins of a book

B. Narration of a dialogue to be written in paragraph form. (05 Marks)

John: Good afternoon, Sara! Still buried in your books, I see. Why don't you take a little rest and join us for a walk along the river?

Sara: I wish I could, but the examination is hanging over my head, and every minute feels precious to me now.

John: Ah, these examinations! They steal all the joy of youth. I cannot understand how you endure such constant pressure.

Sara: It is not merely the examination I work for, but the discipline and knowledge that come with sincere study.

John: Yet life is not all books and seriousness; a weary mind grows dull and unproductive.

Sara: True, but I believe temporary weariness is a small price for the satisfaction of achieving what one has set his heart upon.

Q2. Change the Voice of FIVE of the following sentences: (10 Marks)

- i. The committee will announce the results next Monday.
- ii. Someone has stolen the professor's briefcase from the staff room.
- iii. They were preparing the new syllabus before the inspection.
- iv. People say that the poet composed these lines on a train.
- v. The government must introduce the new policy by the end of the quarter.
- vi. Who will deliver the keynote address at the symposium?
- vii. They consider him to have resolved the ethical dilemma satisfactorily.
- viii. The mayor thanked the volunteers for organizing the relief effort.
- ix. Someone ought to have told the students about the change in venue.
- x. Let us finish this report before the director arrives.

Q3. Use FIVE of the following pairs of words in sentences of your own to bring out the difference in words: (10 Marks)

i. altogether, all	iii. braise, braze	vi. maybe, may be
together	iv. Callous, Callus	vii. moat, mote
ii. allude, elude	v. faze, phase	viii. Dinghy, Dingy