

TEST FOR THE POST OF "STENOGRAPHER" BPS-17

(ENGLISH)

TIME ALLOWED: 3 HOURS

TOTAL MARKS: 100

Note: Over-attempted questions will not be marked.

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- Does Pakistan's economic plight justify that beggars can't be choosers?
- The excessive use of Information Technology is paralyzing human life.
- Discuss the flagrant violation of human rights in the occupied Kashmir.

Q.No.2: Write a précis of the following text, reducing it to one-third of its original length, and suggest a suitable title. (Copying the same material will be discredited) (15)

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(Original Text: 253 words) (Précis: 85 Words)

Q.No.3: Use any Five of the following idiomatic expressions/phrasal verbs in sentences to make their meaning clear: (10)

- Turn one's back upon, Take someone to task, Cast a slur upon, Set to ✓ Take to
To be caught napping, To pay back the debt of nature, Move heaven and earth

Q.No.4: Make sentences with any Five of the following Pairs of words: (10)

Dual, Duel Scam, Seem Luxuriant, luxurious Maize, Maze Wet, Whet
Hoard, Horde Rout, route Facility, Felicity

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LAHORE HIGH COURT, LAHORE

TEST FOR THE POST OF "PERSONAL ASSISTANT" BPS-17

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- a) The environmental cataclysm because of Climate Change
- b) The role of Media to educate the masses
- c) Poverty, the major factor behind all social evils
- d) Democracy thrives best only in the lap of democratic culture

Q.No.2: Make a précis of the following text and suggest a suitable title for it. (15)
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Long ago, Emerson wrote: "A man's task is his life preserver." This seems to be remarkably correct in our modern life. The man without a task is like a ship without ballast and anchor, he is all too often merely a drifter. Very few men seem to have enough initiative to choose a task for themselves if they do not need to work. When the inevitable disappointments come, as they assuredly will, they are completely overwhelmed. But the man who has his task has no time for vain regrets; he escapes the disastrous fate which overtakes his less fortunate brothers. Work is one of the greatest safety valves which were ever invented, and the youths especially need it. We, sometimes, pity the man who is a slave to his task and perhaps we are right, but a man who has no task is a slave to his ennui, which is very much worse. Even a disagreeable task is better than none; the man who does work is disagreeable to him will yet live more happily, than if he had had no task at all. And the man with the task is easier to live with, and will prove a more contented citizen, and a more valuable one, than the one who lacks such a task. Even so-called invalid are often the better for some task which is suited to their powers, and they often live all the longer if they work hard. The man who starts life with a solid task which taxes his powers had better thank God, and does his best, for this one of humanity's greatest boons.
(Words: 270) (Précis: 90 words)

Q.No.3: Make sentences with any Five of the following idioms/phrasal verbs: (10)

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Q.No.5: Correct the following sentences: (10)

1. He felt very groved to know that he won a career postment.
2. This is the historic place where he was shoot dead.
3. If he had uttered a single word, his master will slap him.
4. After finishing my lecture, the bell rang.
5. It was so cold that even the water of the lake frozen rapidly.
6. This table's leg is broken.
7. Of all the teachers, I like Mr. Ahmed the most.
8. We need not be afraid of drowning in this shallow pool.
9. Nadia has not some devotion to her job.
10. This cake tastes very deliciously.

Q.No.6: Fill in the blanks with the suitable prepositions:
(Re-write complete sentences) (10)

1. Ayesha was married Nasir
2. He held the thief his neck and shook him angrily
3. He complained to my father my misbehavior
4. You have to be 18 to see that film
5. Hassan was transferred a vacant post
6. She lives Model Town in Lahore
7. The scientist made a wonderful discovery accident
8. They drove the coastline of the Arabian Sea
9. The cruel master set the old farmer's cottage fire
10. We got a bit late as the lecture had started time

Q.No.7: Translate the following passage into English: (20)

اقبال جب یورپ سے وطن واپس آئے تو ہندوستان کی سیاسی زندگی میں ایک اہم ایجنٹ بن گئے۔ تقریباً تین سال کے عرصے میں ہندوستان کے مسلمانوں نے تو محسوس کر لیا تھا کہ وہ ہندوؤں سے معاشی اور معاشرتی دوڑ میں پیچھے رہ گئے ہیں چنانچہ انہوں نے جماعتی حیثیت سے اپنے مذہبی اور معاشی حقوق کے حصول کے لئے بھاگ دوڑ شروع کر دی۔ یوں ہندوؤں اور مسلمانوں کے درمیان اختلافات پیدا ہونے لگے۔ اقبال نے کہا کہ ان دونوں قوموں کے درمیان اتحاد و یکجہتی کی تلقین پیدا ہو جائے اور وہ مل جل کر اپنے حقوق کا مطالبہ کریں۔ اس تناظر میں ہندو مسلم اتحاد کی بنیادیں مضبوط کرنے کے لئے انہوں نے اپنی چند ناولیں لکھیں جن میں بھی لکھیں۔