

Essay

Time Allowed: Three Hours | Maximum Marks: 250

Question Paper Specific Instructions

- Write two essays, choosing one topic from each of the following Sections A and B, in about 1000-1200 words each: 125x2=250
- Word limit, as specified, should be adhered to.

SECTION A

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| 1 | Forests precede civilizations and deserts follow them.
Answer in about 1000-1200 words | 125 |
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| 2 | The empires of the future will be the empires of the mind.
Answer in about 1000-1200 words | 125 |
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| 3 | There is no path to happiness; Happiness is the path.
Answer in about 1000-1200 words | 125 |
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| 4 | The doubter is a true man of science.
Answer in about 1000-1200 words | 125 |

SECTION B

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| 5 | Social media is triggering 'Fear of Missing Out' amongst the youth, precipitating depression and loneliness.
Answer in about 1000-1200 words | 125 |
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| 6 | Nearly all men can stand adversity, but to test the character, give him power.
Answer in about 1000-1200 words | 125 |
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| 7 | All ideas having large consequences are always simple.
Answer in about 1000-1200 words | 125 |
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| 8 | The cost of being wrong is less than the cost of doing nothing.
Answer in about 1000-1200 words | 125 |

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