

Unit Test : 02

Subject : English
Class : PUC Second

Unit name: *Too Dear*
KEY ANSWER

Marks : 20
Time : 45 minutes

Q.I Answer the following questions in a sentence each.

3x1=3

1) How much did the king spend on the criminal annually in 'Too Dear!'?

Answer: The king spent 600 francs on the criminal annually.

2) What is the population of Monaco in 'Too Dear!'?

Answer: Population of Monaco is about seven thousand.

3) How much money did the Italian Government demand to supply guillotine and an executioner?

Answer: Italian Government demanded 12000 francs to supply guillotine and an executioner.

Q.II Answer the following question in 80-100 words.

1x4=4

4) What made the king of Monaco alter the death sentence to life imprisonment in 'Too Dear!'?

Answer: The king of Monaco sent two letters of inquiry to France and Italy so as to borrow a guillotine machine and an executioner to execute the criminal. The French Government wrote to Monaco that it would cost them 16000 francs. Therefore, the king changed the death sentence to one of imprisonment for life.

Q.III Answer the following question in about 200 words.

1x6=6

5) You can't earn stone palaces by honest labour. Justify this statement with reference to 'Too Dear!'.

Answer: 'You can't earn stone palaces by honest labour'. It only means that if one wants to live beyond his means, honest labour alone cannot fetch him enough money for his luxuries.

By just an honest means of earning, one cannot go beyond a certain limit. The king of Monaco had many people to feed. What he earned from the tax was a lit amount in which he had to take care of many people. The revenue he earned from the gambling house was more than enough which was major source of income not just for him but also for the other people. If one has to go beyond certain limits, one has to start other ways of income too, which might not be an honest one. For the sake of the people and kingdom, and its maintenance, he had no other choice but to retort to dirty business like gambling.

'You can't earn stone palaces by honest labour'. This statement is true with reference to the context the king of Monaco lived in. He knew it very well that gambling is a dirty business. He also understood that by charging taxes on drink and tobacco for revenue was not a good idea. But, he had to resort to it for the survival and sustenance of his kingdom.

Q.IV 6. Write a letter of application in response to the following advertisement which appeared in

'The Hindu' dated 1 August 2023.

1x5=5

WANTED

Prerana Pre University College, Dharwad invites applications from qualified individuals for the post of lecturer in Biology. Apply within 10 days to, 'The Secretary, Prerana Education trust, Dharwad. Candidate with experience and good communication skill will be given preference.

From,
Ajay Patil
Basava colony
4th cross, Bangalore
5 August 2023

To,
The Secretary
Prerana Education Trust
Dharwad

Respected Sir,

Subject: Application for the post of lecturer in Biology.

Ref: Your advertisement in The Hindu, dated 1st of August 2023.

Your advertisement for the post of lecturer in Biology interests me immensely as teaching is my passion. I believe in the idea that the future of our nation depends on the youth who walk out of the portals of educational institutions and that is why, it is my desire to do my best in the service of our youth. I am an M.Sc. in Biology from Bangalore University and I'm a gold medallist in PG. I have taken up a few remedial classes for the students of my Alma Mater Jyothi Nivas. A detailed resume is enclosed for your further verification.

Hope you will give me the opportunity of working in your esteemed institution.

Thank you,

Yours faithfully,

(Signature)

Ajay Patil

Q.V Fill in the blanks with appropriate linkers given in brackets:

1x2=2

7) Alok was happy _____ he was selected to take part in the car race. He gladly went _____ the race was to take place. He was given a car kit _____ he could build the body of the car using small pieces of wood. Alok asked Abhi _____ he would help him. Abhi refused. However, Alok did not give up; he set out to make the car. [where, when, so that, however, if]

Answer:

1. when
2. where
3. so that
4. if