

ESSAY MOCK TEST

Time Allowed: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks: 250

Instructions to Candidate

- All questions are compulsory.
- Attempt one essay from each section.
- Each essay carries 125 marks.
- Write each essay in about 1000-1200 words.
- After finishing the first essay, attempt the next on a fresh Page.
- Any page left blank in the answer book must be crossed out clearly.

(Examiner will pay special attention to the candidate's grasp of his/her material, its relevance to the subject chosen, and to his/her ability to think constructively and to present his/her ideas concisely, logically and effectively).

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SECTION - A

1. Fighting corruption is not just good governance but also self-defense and patriotism.
2. Politics is the art of choosing between the disastrous and unpalatable.
3. People are sheep. TV is the shepherd.
4. Chanakya may have been from India, but its Indians who never followed his advice.

SECTION - B

1. Life teaches us many lessons, but the final lesson is, there is no final lesson.
2. A Nation can remain free, as long as it continues to be the home of brave.
3. Yesterday's score doesn't win you game today.
4. The true mystery of the world is the visible, and not the invisible.

SECTION - A

PEOPLE ARE SHEEP. TV IS THE SHEPHERD.

Richardson controls the media, the images, controls the culture. - Allen Ginsberg.

The fourth pillar of democracy, the media possess great powers to affect the life of an individual, a society, a state and even the entire world. Human beings, with very efficient pictorial memory, are bound to get influenced by what they see through their eyes. And this memory is captured by television, the means of mass communication.

India with relatively low levels of literacy as compared to the developed nations of the world is also witnessing a rising influence of media. The citizens' charter of Doordarshan commits "to truthfully, fairly and objectively inform

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citizens on all matters of public interest. However, with private entities entering the media sector, this objectivity is compromised at times. In this essay, we will try to analyse such positive and negative impacts of media in our lives and how such impacts are magnified due to low literacy standards.

Those days of the entire village coming together in front of the single village television for watching news or a cricket match are not very old. Even today, the poor villages have such experiences. The thing to be celebrated is that we know about the worldly things in everybody's life. A poor farmer, the village lady, a woman, children, that half an hour of exposure

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Tv is seen on most screens, it has transformed the world of entertainment.

do the world plays a significant role in
 their life. In addition on one hand, it
 provided information on various
 source of entertainment, on the other
 it increases the bond among
 people and increases harmony.

Moreover, the social
 life is significantly shaped through
 television. The latest fashion trends
 are increasing, followed by youth
 after viewing them. For the housewife,
 the television becomes a significant
 entertainment source. In addition to

this, cultural integration is
 strengthened. People in India have

started celebrating festivals like
 Halloween, Christmas is celebrated by

all, similarly the entire nation
 enjoys all good happenings together.

This has become possible due to exchange

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~~Arrival of boy
 to H.P.
 what changed
 Still an idiot boy~~

of habits, practices, language etc. Not only this, accidents like the attack affect the whole country. People in the southernmost stretches of the country know everything about the northern part and vice versa.

On the negative side, the same television can also be a source of negative and unethical information. In order to keep a check on this, the Censor Board acts as a regulator to check spread of any such thing with negative consequences on society.

Moving ahead, not only our social life, but our economic activities also depend on media. Organisations spread information about their product through advertisements. Celebrities are hired to endorse a product.

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Censorship
has now
emerged
in
television~~

... to their connect with the public.
People follow them and buy their
products. Sadly, the unethical practice
of providing wrong information
about a particular brand or product
is also growing side by side in
order to misguide the customer

The television plays the most
prominent role in politics and the
democratic set up. Opinion polls, TV to people
exit polls provide knowledge about people
the choices of people. Campaigning
programmes are seen through
television. It is well known how Do critical
analysis of this

The NDA government before coming
to power made use of electronic
billboards in the poor and far away
villages in Rajasthan. Such campaigns,
discussions, debates help the voter to

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decide her vote after analysing the promises in the manifestos.

But, on the same hand, the same poll can be misused to misguide the voters. The rise of competitive and dirty politics these days is leading to misuse in such practices. Hence, the Election Commission of the country comes out with intimate guidelines and regulations from time to time.

The best use of the television is being made in the governance process these days. The government launched the Kanchh Bharat Abhiyan and for this behavioural change, the Darwaja Band Abhiyan was highly started. Various folk celebrities like Anandh Babbar, Gudiya, Bekaar, Shilpa Shetty, etc. perform such advertisements to bring a change.

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in our society. In similar way, information about various government initiatives and policies is provided to people.

Really, television acts as a double-edged sword. It guides public opinion and thus public actions, but this is facilitated by low knowledge levels of the people. An uneducated person can be easily fooled by showing anything. Knowledge provides the wisdom to analyse things and act accordingly but the same is not possible for an illiterate person preparing for her bare minimum necessities. Any hope of improvement in life can make such person to act in a certain way and this behaviour is

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exploited by greedy corporates, politicians and the private media operating as a business to get more and more TRPs. Not only the illiterates, even the educated class can be misguided due to absence of authentic information from viable sources. In such a case, people suffer from bounded rationality and hence the rational process can work only under the boundaries of inadequate or wrong information.

With this, the role of media and television further increases to become a source of authentic and proper ideas. For a country of the world's largest population with the world spread over a huge geographical area, this common bonding source of media & television should be

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media is a proper way and its power should be channelised to work as a growth and development driver in the country. Also, the media should understand its moral responsibility towards the people of the country and towards their own profession.

Finally, this idea of people being sheep and TV the shepherd should not be allowed to become a reality of our society. The television should thus become a facilitator for healthy growth of ideas among the people.

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SECTION - B

A NATION CAN REMAIN FREE, AS LONG AS IT CONTINUE TO BE THE HOME OF THE BRAVE.

At the stroke of the midnight hour, when the world sleeps, India will awake to life and freedom.

Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, while saying this in his Trust with Destiny speech was surely talking about the political freedom of our country with sovereignty and right to self-governance. This because the country was still not free from the evils of inequality and poverty. However, independence marked the most important event in our country as political freedom is the sine qua non for ensuring any other kind of freedom to the inhabitants.

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Inspired by the ideas of liberty, equality, justice etc from other freedom struggles in the world, the Indian freedom movement was spread over a really long period of around 200 years. The 1857 revolt, often marked as the first revolution for freedom in the country, was a result of the will of the Indian soldiers in British Army and the native rulers. Being a violent struggle, physical heroism was displayed by many and many of our brave men came in front. It was the resolve of these leaders which further aggravated the minds of the people of the country towards independence from the imperialist British power.

What does Nation free means
 Peace from all.

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The later period saw the non-violent Satyagraha movement by the father of our nation, Mahatma Gandhi. His intellectual brilliance displayed through his strong ideas and actions compelled the Britishers to leave the country. On the other hand, many freedom fighters like Bhagat Singh and others also happily gave their life to present the future generations the gift of freedom.

Hence, these efforts from each & every person of the country resulted into 15th August, 1947.

The idea of freedom is a broad one covering social, political, economical and other forms of freedom. So, in order to fulfill the freedom promise, our constituent

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assembly gave us Fundamental Rights which tried to cover all aspects of freedom for the Indian citizens. However, the constituent constitution making process did not stop there and the Indian constitution has evolved with time through various amendments and legislations. Such process requires political will which is gratefully our political leaders have shown. This can be seen in various legislations like the 73rd & 74th amendment Act, decentralising power in government, the Right to Information Act, providing access to information to Indian people etc. Not only these, some recent initiatives like the Demonetisation process was a step to free the country from

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mineral of black money. It also led to decrease in unemployment and price inflation.

The European countries came to our country as traders and started economic imperialism. Through this, the world understood how important it is to have economic freedom for a country. India tried to maintain this freedom through rights but the memories of British imperialism were fresh. Hence, India resorted to public sector playing a major role and private sector controlled through licenses, permits and quotas. These regulations were changed with the 1991 LPG (liberalisation, privatisation and globalisation) reforms in the country. With this, the private sector was given more space in our economic system.

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For a young democracy like India, this stage from protectionist system to that of globalisation was indeed a brave step which ultimately led to increase in growth for our country.

However, with changing times, the needs change. The world which was moving towards globalisation earlier has started the de-globalisation process with increase in regional groupings and protectionist measures.

With this, once again, our nation needs to come up with suitable policies and agreements in order to ensure freedom of trade and business for our country.

Freedom in our social life is equally important. India is a multi-cultural, multi-lingual, multi-ethnic

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and multi regional religious country. Hence, our constitution makers gave us the Freedom to Religion. Right against untouchability was provided to ensure a dignified life. Similarly, other affirmative actions were taken. This process has again not stopped & is continuously evolving. Recently, the supreme court of the country took active steps to give light to Privacy to the citizens. Also, triple talaq was declared illegal to insure freedom from such evil practice to Muslims - women.

Another area of growing concern is the technological growth. Increasing automation is set to nearly $\frac{1}{3}$ rd jobs are coming few years. Also, there are concerns for entire humanity that such a rapid pace of growth

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the technology could lead us to grey goo where humans will be ruled by robots and hence all human freedoms will be gone. Thus, all the nations of the world should take a resolve to check any unethical use of technology.

Moving ahead, technology has also increased the use of cyberspace. With this, cyber security also gains utmost importance. Several cyber attacks on the critical infrastructure of a nation can

be really harmful for its free existence. Thus, India needs to cyber security laws and other active steps under integrated actions of all levels of government are also required.

Thus, freedom in its true sense can be sustained through brave action of people in various dimensions. Nevertheless, national security and sovereignty is and

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will always remain the supreme thing. Fortunately, India has many great soldiers who protect us from foreign aggressions in the border areas. Many of them lose their life every year. Equally important is the contribution of the various forces facing the insurgent groups and rebel groups within the nation. All of them are a source of motivation for the entire country. With them, the people of our country should also take a resolve to celebrate many more years of our freedom.

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- A Nation remain free — when
- Free from need
- who are broad: - A leader / A soldier
- A teacher
- A common man etc.
- are we broad enough to keep our nation free — from — Masses, conflict, corruption, fear etc.
- who are our role models in current context & what should be the role of institutions
- lessons for future

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