Q. No. 2 Part (i)

PRECIS

Title: Loss of Biodiversity

Biodiversity is essential for the **health** of the **planet** and the **humankind**. As the world population grows, the demand for basic **resources** such as **space**, **food** and **water** increases resulting in the **distruction** of **habitats** and **extinction** of **wildlife**. The need for **living space** for mankind and the **excessive usage** of **minerals** and its **extraction** is leading to mass distruction of habitats, leaving the plants and animals to have **small isolated islands**. Our activities are leading to **high green house gas** ~~(emmission)~~ emissions leading to **global warming**. **Waste disposal** is also a massive issue with the growing population. This waste ends up on **landsites** or in the **oceans**, ~~ruin~~ ruining the natural habitat for the wildlife. This releases **chemicals** affecting the lives of humans as well as different species.

Q. No. 2 Part (ii) **Effects of Overpopulation on Habitats:**

As the **population** increases, people need more living **space**, leading to **destruction** of **forests** and other **habitats** to provide infrastructure for human life. This is reducing natural habitats, leaving **small isolated islands** as habitats for animal and plant species. Humankind's consumption and **extraction** of **resources** such as oil, minerals, etc, are (~~are~~) also playing a part in the **destruction** of habitats.

Q. No. 2 Part (iii) **Climate Crisis:**

Yes, I agree. Our planet is on the verge of a climate crisis as human activities are leading to production of **greenhouse gases** that in turn are affecting the Earth's **atmosphere** leading to increase in **global warming**. This causes rise in temperature around the globe, affecting **weather patterns** and causing **natural disasters** such as floods, droughts, etc.

Q. No. 2 Part (iv) "Types of Waste Affecting the Oceans":

Waste disposal is a major problem and heavy amounts of waste usually end up on **landsites** or in the **oceans**. These wastes can be **industrial**, chemicals and factories release fluids or it can be **domestic**, the waste that is gathered from our homes and runs down the sewer or it can be **agriculture** run offs containing chemicals and fertilisers. These chemicals, domestic waste and plastics end up in the oceans, destroying habitats and affecting wildlife.

Q. No. 2 Part (v)

"Words"	"Meanings"
• Habitats:	Living spaces of plant and animal species in nature.
• Extinction:	Finishing of a specie of animal or plant
• Consumption:	Usage / intake
• Fragmenting:	Dividing into smaller parts called fragments.

Q. No. 3 Part (a)

Paraphrasing

Nature is the gentlest mother **soft**, **caring** and **affectionate**, and gets **tired** of no child, dealing everyone with **patience** no matter how **stubborn** or **difficult** the children are being. Her **correction** is **mild**, not too **harsh** but only to make her children **understand**.

Q. No. 3 Part (b)

i) Significance of the color "Blue":

Even though the daughter was **blind** and could not see the color blue but under her father's **love** and **care** she had developed an **insight** that blue was more than just a color, it was an **emotion** and for her it was **love**.

ii) Poetic device:

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iii) Rhyming scheme: AABB

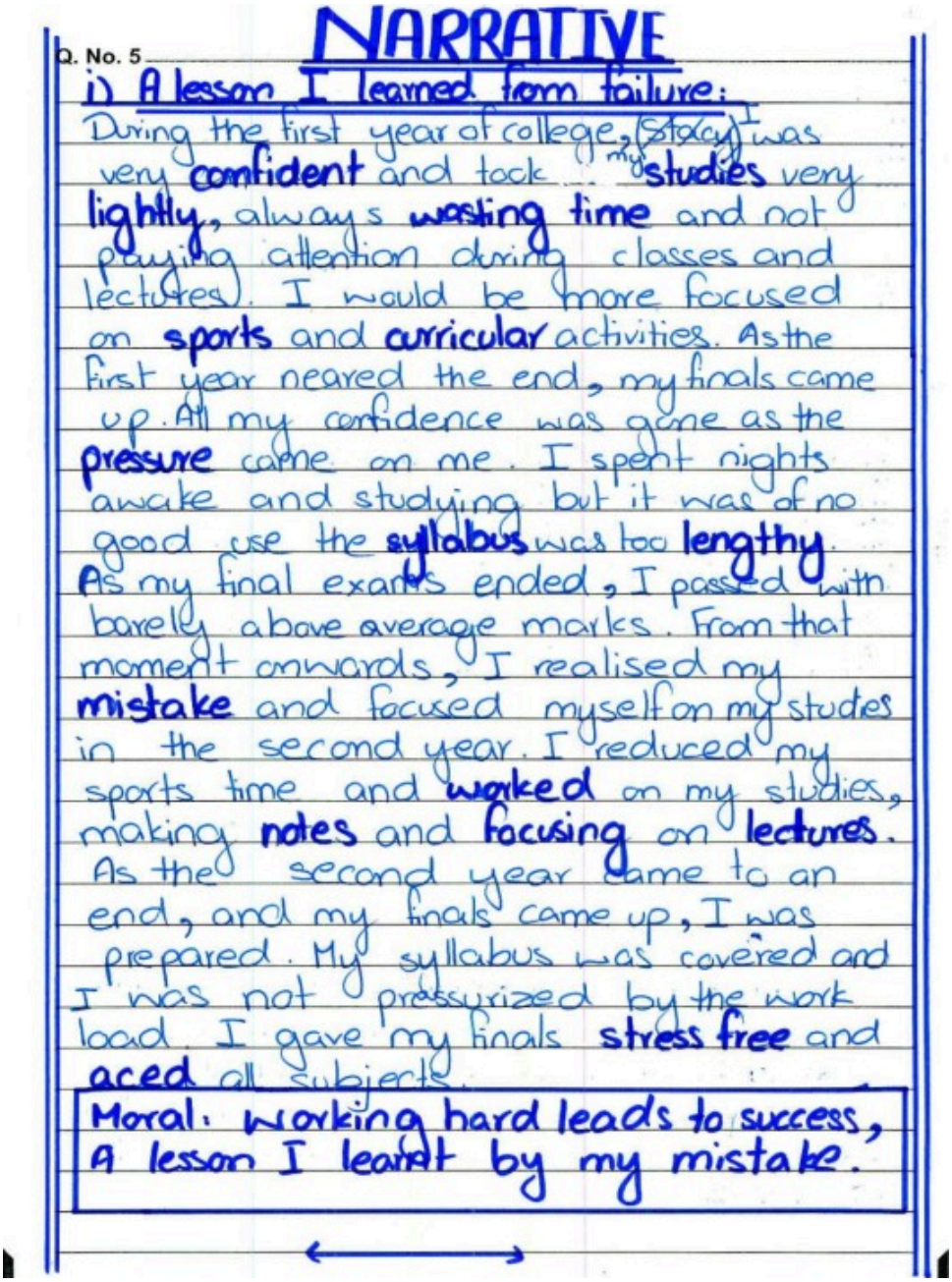
Q. No. 4 (a)

i) You **can** borrow my books if you return it tomorrow.
ii) **Could** you help me with my homework please?
iii) She **could** swim fast when she was a child.
iv) You **must** wear a helmet while riding a motorcycle.
v) You **should** try this new restaurant; the food is excellent
vi) People **must** respect traffic signals for safety.

Q. No. 4 (b)

i) He solved the puzzle patiently.
ii) She spoke confidently.
iii) The teacher explained the lesson clearly.
iv) The train arrived timely.
v) She completed the task independently.
vi) They worked till late.

Q. No. 4 (c) The teacher said that he was hard working. She also added that he had performed well in the test and advised him that he should continue his efforts. She also told him that he would achieve great success in the future.



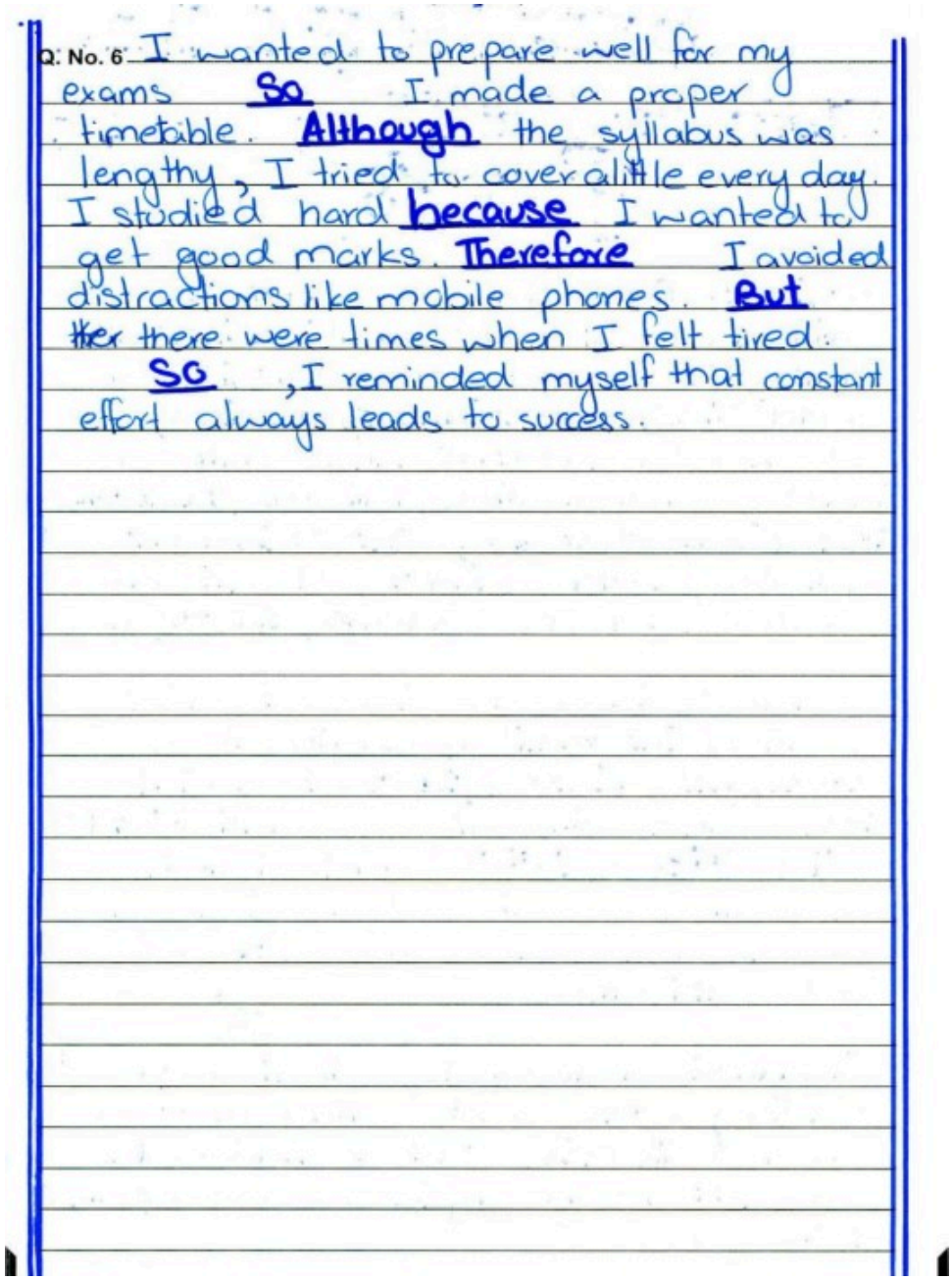
Q. No. 5

NARRATIVE

i) A lesson I learned from failure:

During the first year of college, (Stacy) I was very **confident** and took my **studies** very **lightly**, always **wasting time** and not paying attention during classes and lectures. I would be more focused on **sports** and **curricular** activities. As the first year neared the end, my finals came up. All my confidence was gone as the **pressure** came on me. I spent nights awake and studying but it was of no good use the **syllabus** was too **lengthy**. As my final exams ended, I passed with barely above average marks. From that moment onwards, I realised my **mistake** and focused myself on my studies in the second year. I reduced my sports time and **worked** on my studies, making **notes** and **focusing** on **lectures**. As the second year came to an end, and my finals came up, I was prepared. My syllabus was covered and I was not pressurized by the work load. I gave my finals **stress free** and **aced** all subjects.

Moral: Working hard leads to success, A lesson I learnt by my mistake.



Q. No. 6 I wanted to prepare well for my exams **So** I made a proper timetable. **Although** the syllabus was lengthy, I tried to cover a little every day. I studied hard **because** I wanted to get good marks. **Therefore** I avoided distractions like mobile phones. **But** ~~ther~~ there were times when I felt tired. **So**, I reminded myself that constant effort always leads to success.

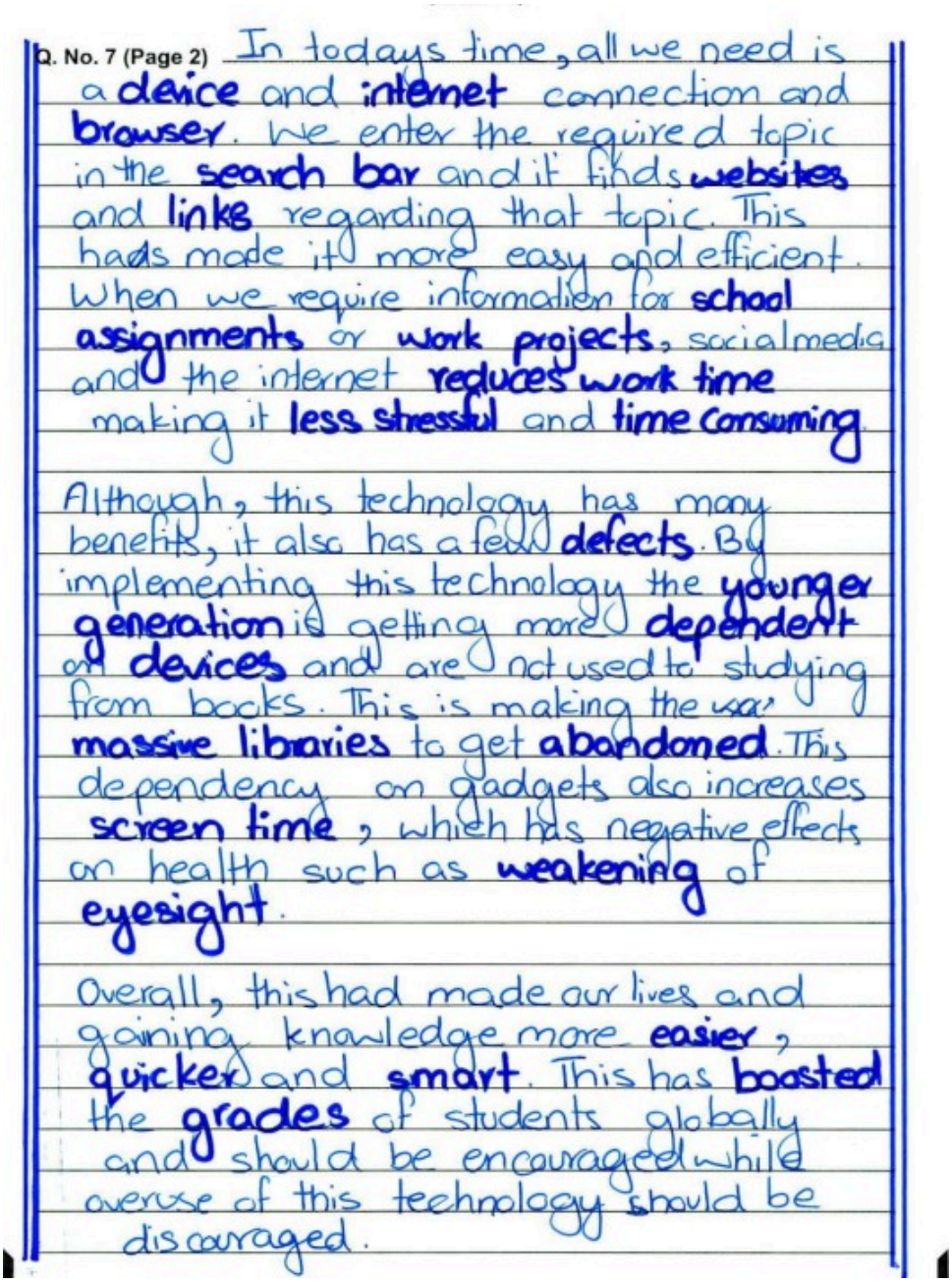
Q. No. 7 (Page 1)

Social Media is Taking Away The Habit Of Reading Books

Social Media consists of the platforms online, connected through the internet that give us access to communication worldwide, entertainment, gaming, e-commerce and more. These platform include communication platforms, facebook, instagram, whatsapp, entertainment platforms, youtube, tiktok, educational platforms, Khan academy, Kahoot, etc.

Social Media and the internet consist of all the information, ranging from documents, pictures, videos to social trends and different sources. The World Wide Web (WWW) consists of all the information ever discovered. This technology has allowed us to gather knowledge more efficiently.

Old method of knowledge collection was reading books and surfing through massive libraries just to find books relevant to the topic we are searching for.



Q. No. 7 (Page 2) In todays time, all we need is a **device** and **internet** connection and **browser**. We enter the required topic in the **search bar** and it finds **websites** and **links** regarding that topic. This hads made it more easy and efficient. When we require information for **school assignments** or **work projects**, social media and the internet **reduces work time** making it **less stressful** and **time consuming**.

Although, this technology has many benefits, it also has a few **defects**. By implementing this technology the **younger generation** is getting more **dependent** on **devices** and are not used to studying from books. This is making the use **massive libraries** to get **abandoned**. This dependency on gadgets also increases **screen time**, which has negative effects on health such as **weakening** of **eyesight**.

Overall, this had made our lives and gaining knowledge more **easier**, **quicker** and **smart**. This has **boosted** the **grades** of students globally and should be encouraged while overuse of this technology should be discouraged.