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Reading Comprehension Sample Paragraph IV

Directions

Study the passage and answer the questions that follow:

Some religious teachers have taught that Man is made up of a body and a soul: But they have been silent about the Intellect. Their followers try to feed the body on earth and to save soul from perdition after death: But they neglected the claims of the mind. Bread for the body and Virtue for the soul: These are regarded as the indispensable requisites of human welfare here and hereafter. Nothing is said about knowledge and education. Thus Jesus Christ spoke much of feeding the hungry, healing the sick, and converting the sinners: But he never taught the duty of teaching the ignorant and increasing scientific knowledge. He himself was not a well-educated man, and intellectual pursuits were beyond his horizon. Gautam Buddha also laid stress on morality, meditation and asceticism, but he did not attach great importance to history, science, art or literature. St. Ambrose deprecated scientific studies and wrote, Tel discuss the nature and position of the earth does not help us in our hope for life to come. St. Basil said very frankly and foolishly, It is not a matter of interest for us whether the earth is a sphere or a cylinder or disc. Thomas Carlyle also followed the Christian traditions when he declared that he honoured only two men and no third: The manual labour and the religious teacher. He forgot the scientist, the scholar and the artist. The cynics of Greece despised education at last?

1. What have the religious teachers taught in the past?
 - a. That man is made up of body only
 - b. That man is made up of soul only.
 - c. That man is made up of bubbles
 - d. That man is made up of body and soul together
- o Answer: d
2. What is food for the soul?
 - a. Bread
 - b. Virtue

c. Vice

d. Education

o Answer: b

3. The following philosophers occur in the passage. But they are not in correct order. Correct the order (I) . Jesus Christ (II) . Gautam Buddha (III) St. Ambrose (IV) . Thomas Carlyle M St. Basil

a. I, II, III, IV, V

b. I, III, IV, V, II

c. I, II, III, V, IV

d. II, I, III, IV, V

o Answer: c

4. Intellectual pursuits have been neglected because: (I) they are unnecessary and superfluous (II) they make people dwarf (III) they lead people to hell

a. Only I is correct

b. Only II is correct

c. Only III is correct

d. Only I and II are correct

o Answer: a

5. The style of the passage is

a. narrative

b. expository

c. critical

d. Analytical

• Answer: a