- 1. What is the latest news from medical laboratories?
- 2. What would the outcome of living for so long a period mean?
- 3. What are the two things that make life fascinating and poignant?
- 4. What is the foundation of Martin Heidegger's philosophy of being?
- 5. What is the basis of the predictions of immortality?

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Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow: Education is the beginning of empowerment. It is a key to a happy and satisfactory life for the special children, who are cruelly segregated from the society. In India, there are around 35 million disabled children but less than one per cent have access to education. The most pressing need is to bestow the precious gift of education on them and let them be the bearer of the torch towards the path of progress. Special children, without education, are a burden on their families as well as society. The crude discrimination between normal and abnormal children leads to severe psychological disorders, giving blith to frustration which we all know is not healthy for any progressing nation. Several NGOs are working towards the upliftment and betterment of such children, but again a grave problem that is faced by the volunteers is lack of motivation in such children and even their families. Those who are from the well-to-do families may not find themselves in this menace, but those belonging to the lower economic section feel that the effort to obtain education is simply wastage of time and energy not to say anything about money. Another factor which is hindering the path of education for such children is the lack of opportunities or facilities available in schools. Even if the parents do send such children to school, the schools themselves are sadly lacking the facilities to cater to their needs. The government has started the integrated system of education that enables the disabled to study with normal children in normal circumstances with few facilities for them. Yet again hard mold. Special schools have also been established by the government and NGOs to meet specific needs of such children but their number is pitiably low as compared to the normal schools. There is an urgent need to strike at the roots of their neglect to enable the disabled.

On the basis of your understanding of above passage, Answer the following

- 1. Who are special children?
- 2. Why is education important for 'special children'?
- 3. What is the hindrance on the path of education for 'special children'? 4. What steps have been taken up by the government for the betterment and 5. Which word in the passage means the same as "separated"?

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