

EDUCATION AND CAREERS**→ CHASING DREAMS**

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This is the story of a boy, Jameel, who belongs to a poor family, and his sister Sarah, who are worried about their future despite passing the exam because there is no college in his village or in the surrounding village. Jameel dreams of becoming a doctor and opening a hospital in the village, while his sister also dreams of becoming a doctor. An old friend of his family, Aunt Sadori, offers them to stay with her in the city so that the two siblings can continue their education. Her father allows Jameel but does not allow Sarah because of the expenses, so his brother Khalid encourages the father not to worry about the expenses.

The two siblings go to the city to study, first in college and then in medical college. They give tuition to children to cover their expenses, work very hard and endure many hardships. Their family also faces many difficulties in fulfilling their dreams and sells fertile land to pay their fees. After 12 years of hard work, Jameel builds a hospital in the village, which benefits his village and the surrounding villages. His sister helps him in his work as a doctor and she also works on the health and hygiene of the village women. Seeing his dreams come true, Jameel is thankful to God and considers himself blessed.

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English 9th - Exercises

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1. Read the text and write the answers to the following questions in your notebook:

1. How many characters are there in the story?

Ans: There are nine characters in the story.

2. Write their names.

Ans: (i) Jameel (ii) his sister, Sara (iii) their father
 (iv) their mother (v) Khalid (vi) Aunt Sadori
 (vii) Allah Dino (viii) Noor Ali and (ix) Jameel's wife

2. Read the text and find out who said the following words? Compare your answers with your partner:

#	Description	Speaker
1.	You don't seem ok. Let's have dinner then we will talk about it.	Jameel's father
2.	Only men have to worry about earning for their family	Jameel
3.	We don't get education only for earning money	Khalid
4.	We can ask Allah Bachayo, to take you to the city in his horse cart	Jameel's mother
5.	You people have done so much for me, I think now it's my turn to return the favour	Aunt Sadori
6.	Can I really go and study in the city?	Sara
7.	Jameel can go but Sara should stay here and help her mother	Jameel's father
8.	Ok, son, I will follow your advice	Noor Ali
9.	No, there are no more patients	Allah Dina
10.	Come on, let's have lunch	Jameel's Wife

3. Write the meanings in the given blanks.

- The word shabby means in poor condition
- The word collapsed means having fallen down or given way
- The word reluctantly. means in an unwilling and hesitant way
- The word preoccupied means engrossed in thought
- The word obligatory means compulsory
- The word siblings means a brother or sister
- The word realize means become fully aware of
- The word weathered means Worn – stained
- The word impressive means amazing-inspiring
- The word backdrop means background
- The word hosted means act as host at
- The word borne means past participle of bear

4. Fill in the blanks in the following exercise with the help of given words. You can use each word only once.

Weathered	reluctantly	Impressive	Shabby
siblings	preoccupied	Borne	Obligatory
backdrop	Collapsed	realize	Hosted

The old woman _____ reluctantly got up from her bed. She had _____ many difficulties but now her _____ hands could not lift heavy things. She got up and looked out of the window. As she looked, a smile came to her lips when she saw the big _____ beautiful lawn, with plants and creepers, and mango trees serving as a _____.

She _____ on her bed once again and became _____ with her thoughts. She thought of her _____, old house, her five _____ and how they always used to offer their _____ prayers. She also recalled how her mother always _____ meetings for the village women to teach them various skills. She thought how she always dreamed of owning a big house with a big garden. Thinking of those times and the life she had now, she thanked God for making it possible for her to _____ her dreams.

English 9th-Multiple Choice Questions

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1. Jameel's sister name was:

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| (a) Sadori | (b) ✓ Sara |
| (c) Sana | (d) Saima |

2. Jameel's brother name was:

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| (a) ✓ Khalid | (b) Allah Dino |
| (c) Allah Bachiyo | (d) Salim |

3. The only college where Jameel could go is in the city :

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| (a) 20 miles away | (b) 30 miles away |
| (c) 40 miles away | (d) ✓ 50 miles away |

4. Jameel's dream was to open a:

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| (a) restaurant | (b) plaza |
| (c) ✓ hospital | (d) park |

5. Allah Bachayo had a:

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| (a) ✓ horse cart | (b) donkey cart |
| (c) camel cart | (d) hand cart |

6. Father and Khalid had to sell a big piece of fertile land to pay their fee in the:

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| (a) 1st year | (b) 2nd year |
| (c) 3rd year | (d) ✓ 4th year |

7. We get education for/to:

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| (a) earning money | (b) for reading magazines |
| (c) ✓ improving ourselves | (d) impress others |

8. Jameel was upset because:

- (a) he was failed in an exam (b) ✓ he was worried about his future
(c) he had lost some money (d) he could find a job

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English 9th-Short Answer Questions

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Q.1: What was Jameel's father doing when he came home?**Ans:** When Jameel came home, his father was drinking tea.**Q.2: Where did the family have dinner?****Ans:** The family had dinner in the middle of the yard where Jameel and his father were talking.**Q.3: Where did Jameel and Sara go to study?****Ans:** Jameel and Sara went to the city to study.**Q.4: Where did they build the hospital?****Ans:** They built the hospital in their village amidst green fields.**Q.5: How many children did Sara have?****Ans:** Sara had two children.**Q.6: Which vehicle did they travel in?****Ans:** They traveled in horse carts.**Q.7: Why do you think nobody spoke while eating dinner?****Ans:** We should not talk too much while eating. They didn't speak while eating dinner because they all realized that Jameel was a little more upset.**Q.8: Why was Jameel upset?****Ans:** Jameel was upset because he wanted to become a doctor and there was no college in his village or surrounding villages and he was worried about continuing his studies.

Q.9: Why do you think Sara tried to hide feelings?

Ans: Sara knew that her father could not afford the education cost of two children. Her deprivation made her cry, but she knew that her father would be saddened by her tears. She hid her feelings to save her father from further grief.

Q.10: Both Sara and Jameel had to pass every test in the first go. Why was it so?

Ans: Sara and Jameel had to pass every test in the first go because their parents were facing many problems to pay for their education. In addition, they had to give tuitions to children for the education expenses. Failing the exam meant repeating that academic year, and repeating the academic year meant reimbursing the entire year's expenses.

Q.11: How did Sara and Jameel, and their family, manage the expenses for their studies?

Ans: Sarah, Jameel and her family faced many difficulties and hardships for paying for their education. Along with the studies, Sara and Jameel gave tuitions to children to cover some expenses. His family also sold a large piece of their fertile land to pay the fee of the medical college.

Q.12: How did life change for Jameel's family and the villagers?

Ans: Jamil and Sara fulfilled their dreams of becoming doctors. They built a hospital in the village. The people of the village got the facility of treatment at a low cost. They didn't need to go to city for treatment any more. Jameel and Sara became doctors and increased their family's wealth and dignity and fulfilled their desire to help the people of the village.

Q.13: How was Sara educating the village women?

Ans: Sara was educating the village women by hosting successful seminars for the village women and guided them to improve their personal and family health and hygiene.

Q.14: What lessons do we get from the story?

Ans: This story gives us a lesson that we should not give up our dreams in any way. We must fight bad situations. Every difficulty and trouble must be faced with courage. We don't need to be disappointed. We must work hard for our aims because ease comes after every difficulty.

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English 9th- Words Meaning

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S No	Words	Meaning in English	Meaning in Urdu
1.	ashamed	embarrassed or guilty	شرمندہ
2.	backdrop	background	پس منظر
3.	beaming	wide and happy	پُر مسرت۔ منور
4.	bed of roses	comfortable or easy situation	پھولوں کی سیج
5.	betterment	improvement	بہتری۔ بھلائی
6.	blessed	divinely favoured	جس پر خدا کا کرم ہو
7.	cast	throw	ڈھالنا
8.	collapse	having fallen down or given way	گر جانا۔ نڈھال ہو جانا
9.	commented	expressed an opinion	تبصرہ کیا۔ رائے دی
10.	Conversation	talk - discussion	گفتگو۔ بات چیت
11.	couplet	a pair of successive lines of verse	دو مصرعوں کا شعر
12.	courtyard	an unroofed area of a house	صحن
13.	dragged	pull along forcefully	گھسیٹنا
14.	emotions	strong feelings	جذبات
15.	exclaimed	cried out suddenly in surprise	حیرانگی سے

16.	Extremely.	to a very great degree	شدید۔ انتہائی
17.	finance	money matters	مالی۔ مالیات
18.	hardships	difficulties	مشکلات
19.	host	act as host at	میزبانی کرنا
20.	realize	become fully aware of	احساس ہونا
21.	hygiene	keeping oneself and surroundings clean	حفظانِ صحت
22.	impressive	amazing-inspiring	متاثر کن
23.	interrupt	broken off- discontinuous	خلل۔ ٹوٹنا
24.	lazily	in a slow and relaxed way	سستی سے
25.	lush	growing luxuriantly	سرسبز۔ کثیر
26.	moonlit	lit by the moon	چاندنی
27.	neighbourhood	area or people around us	پڑوس
28.	obligatory	compulsory	فرض
29.	politely	in a respectful manner	نرمی سے
30.	portrayed	represented	تصویر کشی کی
31.	preoccupied	engrossed in thought	خیال میں ڈوبا ہوا
32.	quote	repeat or copy out	حوالہ دینا
33.	reluctantly	in an unwilling and hesitant way	ہچکچاتے ہوئے
34.	seminar	a conference	مذاکرہ
35.	shabby	in poor condition	خستہ حال
36.	sibling	a brother or sister	بھن بھائی

37.	sidelong	sideways	ترجھی نظر سے
38.	simultaneously	at the same time	ایک ہی وقت میں
39.	weathered	Worn - stained	کمزور - ناتواں
40.	borne	past participle of bear	برداشت کرنا

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