

ENGLISH NOTES

ASPIRE TO WIN

THE RACE

POSSIBLE QUESTIONS & ANSWERS - WORD MEANINGS

SECTION-1- TARUN WAS.....LIKE THAT

- 1.race-move or drive at high speed
- 2.barely-hardly
- 3.grade-score
- 4.blacksheep(idiom)-an unusual or unconventional person
- 5.blacksheep-badapple(synonym)
- 6.blacksheep-golden child(antonym)
- 7.pursuing-following
- 8.repute-to attribute or credit

POSSIBLE QUESTIONS & ANSWERS FROM 1ST SECTION

1. What impression do you get about Tarun after reading the first few lines?

Ans:-Tarun was an average student and he was considered as the black sheep of the family.

2. How did Tarun's elder brother made his family proud?

Ans:- Tarun's elder brother was pursuing engineering degree from a reputed college and thus he made his family proud.

3. What was Tarun's constrain in reaching his goal?

Ans:- Tarun's parents hated his running and they wanted him to concentrate more on his studies. Moreover he belonged to a middle class family and did not have much money for his training.

4. What did Tarun's parents expect from him?

Ans:-Tarun's parents expected him to concentrate more on his studies.

SECTION-2-HOWEVER,HE WAS.....HIS FAMILY'S REACH

- 9.bless-to make something holy by religious rite
- 10.athlete-sportsperson
- 11.excellent-the highest quality
- 12.excellent-terrible(antonym)
- 13.lonely-without companion
- 14.exhaust-weary,tire out
- 15.release-to let go
- 16.release-hold(antonym)
- 17.pent up-not expressed,

18.achieve-accomplish,effect

19.intensive-highly concentrate

POSSIBLE QUESTIONS & ANSWERS FROM 2ND SECTION

5.How many miles from home was the school of Tarun?

Ans:-School was five miles away from home.

6.What did Tarun do when it got depressed?

Ans:-Tarun exhausted himself by running.

7.What was Tarun's dream?

Ans:-Become the fastest runner in the world.

8.How was Tarun blessed?

Ans:-Tarun was blessed with a great athlete.

9.What did Tarun understand between his dream and the state of the family?

Ans:-Tarun belonged to middle class family.Tarun knew that to achieve his dream,he needed an intensive training but the amount for which was too large and it was not affordable for the family.

10.Tarun did not know how to achieve his dream-Identify the noun phrase and verb phrase of this sentence.

Noun Phrase-Tarun

Verb Phrase- did not know how to achieve his dream

SECTION -3-WHEN TARUN-----GOOD FUTURE IN YOU.

20. wipe-to move an object over

21.rage-violent uncontrolled anger

22.rage-fury(synonym)

23.subside-to fall in to a state of calm

24.pant- a quick breathing

25.pant-gasp(synonym)

26.excitement-having great excitement

27.excite-enthusiastic(synonym)

28.dazzle-to confuse the sight by means of excessive brightness.

POSSIBLE QUESTIONS & ANSWERS FROM 3RD SECTION

11.How did Tarun's father and his friends react when he failed in his terminal examinations?

Ans:-Tarun's father was very angry with him and his friends made fun of him.

12.What did Tarun do to wipe out his memory of failure in the examination?

Ans:-Tarun ran round the park to wipe out his memory of failure in the examination.

13.What response of Ram Narayan instilled confidence in Tarun?

Ans:- Ram Narayan's word "Life is full of ups and downs."

14.Why was Tarun excited in meeting Ram Narayan?

Ans:-Tarun was excited because Ram Narayan won an Olympic medal in the 400 metre race in 1960.

15.What was the attitude of Ram Narayan towards Tarun?

Ans:-Ram Narayan felt that Tarun was one of the best runners he had ever seen.

16.***I have been watching you for the past 45 minutes.*** Change the following sentence in to Past Perfect Tense form.

Ans:-I had been watching you for the past 45 minutes.

17.***I have been watching you.***Change the voice.

Ans:-You have been watched by me

18.Tarun: I failed in two subjects. Report the following.

Ans:-Tarun said that he had failed in two subjects.

19.What did Tarun do when he was exhausted after running?

Ans:-Tarun threw himself on a bench and started panting heavily.

20.Why was his father angry with Tarun?

Ans:- Because Tarun failed in his Terminal Examinations.

21.How did his father and friends respond to Tarun's failure?

Ans:-His father angry with him and friends made fun of him.

22.Pick out a word from the passage which means 'to become less strong'?

Ans:-Subside

23.Pick out a sentence from the paragraph that shows the strong determination of Tarun?

Ans:-'The sun beat down to check his rage but nothing could stop Tarun'.

SECTION -4-TARUN COULD.....GOT THIS OPPORTUNITY

29.blush-excitement

30.give up-to lose hope,abandon(Phrasal Verb)

31.distraught-pained,worried

32.circumstance-an event, a fact

33.curiosity-inquisitiveness

34.curiosity-ignorance)antonym)

35.put forward-To propose for consideration(Phrasal Verb)

36.anxiety-unpleasant state of mental uneasiness.

37.anxiety-solicitude(Synonym)

38.compete-paricipate

39.conviction-a firmly held belief.

40.conviction-stubbornness,tenacity,obstinacy(Synonym)

41.scold-criticise

POSSIBLE QUESTIONS & ANSWERS FROM 4TH SECTION

24.What was the advice given by Ram Narayan to Tarun?

Ans:-Ram Narayan advised Tarun to keep the passion burning in him and that he should never to give up that passion.

25.Find out the word from the passage which means 'To feel depressed'?

Ans:-distracted

26.What was the condition placed by Ram Narayan?

Ans:-Tarun had to participate and win the race conducted on Children's Day at the Nehru Stadium.

27.Pick out the sentence from the passage that shows the strong conviction of Tarun.

That is no big deal. I can do it, can't I?" " I will, I will sir!"

28.According to Tarun what helped him to grab the opportunity to meet Ram Narayan?

Ans:-Tarun felt that his father's scolding helped him to grab the opportunity to meet Ram Narayan.

29.Tarun:-What is your condition?

Ram Narayan:-If you participate and win the race,I will train you.

a)What did Tarun ask Ram Narayan.

b)What was Ram Narayan's reply?

Ans.Tarun asked Ram Narayan what was his condition/what his condition was.

Ram Narayan replied that if he participated and won the race he would train him.

SECTION -5-THE NEXT DAY BROUGHT.....SOMETHING AT LEAST

42.ray-a beam of light or radiation

43.got up-rise,wake up(Phrasal Verb).

44.query-to ask question

45.indeed-actually

46.zealously-enthusiastically,eagerly

47.mile-a unit of length

48.prescribe-to order for use by a particular patient.

49.precise-proscribe(antonym)

50.vigorously-with intense energy(energetically)

51.promptly-quick,acting without delay

POSSIBLE QUESTIONS & ANSWERS FROM 5TH SECTION

30.List out two changes that came over Tarun the very next day he met Ram Narayan.

Ans:-He would get up early in the morning . He started practising zealously

31.What did Tarun expect from his mother?

Ans:-He expected his mother to back him up.

32.What did Tarun do to make his practice perfect for the race?

Ans:-Everyday he would get up early in the morning and run upto ten miles. In the evenings, he would practise for the 1000 metre distance prescribed by the competition

33.What did Tarun want to prove before his father?

Ans:-Tarun wanted to show his father that he was not really the black sheep of the family and that he could be good at something at least.

34.Identify the question tag of the following.

a.Tarun started practicing zealously,_____?

Ans:-didn't he?

35.Tarun practiced vigorously for five days.Find the pattern of the following.

Noun+Verb+Adverb(intensifier)+Preposition+Quantifier+Noun

SECTION -6- IT WAS 14TH NOVEMBER..... VERY PROUD OF HIMSELF

52.gaze-look

53.bow-bend

54.pedal-to operate a bicycle

55.affectionate-loving

56.glitter-a bright sparkling light

57.cheer-happiness

58.amazenent-surprise

59.start off-to begin(Phrasal Verb)

60.ahead-in advance

61.determine-to set the boundary

POSSIBLE QUESTIONS & ANSWERS FROM 6TH SECTION

36.How did Tarun feel when he saw the board ' Participants only'?

Ans:-Seeing the board 'Participants only', he felt that his heart was beating faster every second.

37. 'The fear in his eyes gave way to confidence'. What helped Tarun in building this confidence?

Ans:-His mother's presence in the stands helped Tarun in building his confidence.

38.What impression do you get about Ram Narayan after reading this passage?

Ans:-Ram Narayan was a great motivator.

39.What made Tarun feel proud of himself?

Ans:-When the race started, Tarun was in the lead. Seeing himself ahead of everybody, Tarun felt very proud of himself.

40. His heart beating faster every second. Identify comparative form of the verb from the following sentence.

Ans:-faster

41. In the lead was the fastest of them all, Tarun. Seeing himself ahead of everybody, Tarun felt very proud of himself. Identify superlative form of the verb from the following sentence.

Ans:-fastest

SECTION -7 ON THE TRACK THERE WAS TOWARDS THE STANDS.

62.shallow-having little depth

63.slip-to slide due to a lack of friction.

64.fate-the presumed cause

65.bear-to sustain

66.fret-to worry

67.kid-child

68.cheek-the soft skin on each side of the face

POSSIBLE QUESTIONS & ANSWERS FROM 7TH SECTION

42.What unfortunate thing happened to Tarun at the start of the race?

Ans:- As Tarun was running fast, he did not notice the shallow path and he slipped.

43. 'Get up son' get up and run.' What effect might have these words of mother created in the mind of Tarun?

Ans:-He might have got the confidence to get up and run again.

44. When he fell down the third time, what was worrying him the most?

Ans:- What worried him the most was how he would get into Ram Narayan's training.

45.'Get up son',Mother said to Tarun-Report the following.

Ans:-Mother told Tarun to get up son.

46.How many times did Tarun fall during the race?

Ans:-Three times.

SECTION -8 THEN HE HEARD RAM NARAYAN.....IN THE WORLD!"

69.scream-exclamation of extreme emotion

70.cheer-happiness

71.applause-publicly expressed by the clapping of hands

72.valour-value,worth

73.afresh-newly

74-hug-close embrace

75.tough-difficult

POSSIBLE QUESTIONS & ANSWERS FROM 8TH SECTION

47.Then he heard Ram Narayan screaming from somewhere.....'Come on Tarun run'. What effect these word bring over Tarun?

Ans:- Tarun could get up the third time and run with all the strength he had.

48. What surprised Tarun when he crossed the finishing line?

Ans:- There was a louder applause when Tarun crossed the finishing line last. That surprised Tarun.

49. According to Ram Narayan what did Tarun win?

Ans:- According to Ram Narayan Tarun won the toughest race.

50. Why did Ram Narayan consider Tarun as a real hero?

Ans:- Tarun got up and started afresh each time he fell. So Ram Narayan considered Tarun as a real hero