

* Select the most appropriate options as answers and complete the following sentences : [8]

1. What did Prabhat feel when he lost?

- (A) Angry (B) Disappointed (C) Sad (D) Indifferent

Ans. : (C) Sad

2. Why would Prabhat refuse to play a game?

- (A) When he did not want to play
(B) When he knew he would lose
(C) When he was not good at the game
(D) When he did not know the rules of the game

Ans. : (B) When he knew he would lose

3. Which characteristic could be used to describe Surya?

- (A) Broody (B) Irritating (C) Handsome (D) Easy going

Ans. : (D) Easy going

4. What did Prabhat feel for Surya after the match?

- (A) Envious (B) Surprise (C) Disgusted (D) Irritated

Ans. : (B) Surprise

5. Surya did not know how to play _____ .

- (A) Basketball (B) Badminton (C) Table Tennis (D) Football

Ans.: (A) Basketball

6. Prabhat's change could be characterised as _____ .

- (A) sudden (B) rapid (C) gradual (D) surprising

Ans. : (C) gradual

7. Prabhat wanted to keep winning because _____ .

- (A) he loved the appreciation he received
(B) he hated losing
(C) he felt that he was the best
(D) he hated Surya

Ans. : self

8. Surya was _____ at badminton.

- (A) better than Prabhat (B) phenomenal
(C) very bad (D) Both (a) and (b)

Ans. : self

* Say whether the following sentences are true or false :

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9. Everyone was worried about Prabhat's behaviour.

Ans. : True

10. Prabhat did not want Surya to win.

Ans. : True

11. His classmates praised Prabhat for winning.

Ans. : True

12. Surya was envious of Prabhat's seriousness.

Ans. : False

13. Prabhat had learned the meaning of enjoying a game properly.

Ans. : True

14. Prabhat wanted to taunt Surya.

Ans. : self

15. Surya wanted a rematch to show Prabhat that he was better at badminton.

Ans. : self

16. Prabhat and Surya loved playing with each other.

Ans. : self

* Select the most appropriate words from the box and fill in the blanks in the text given below :

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17. The teams for the Friday friendly match were decided on _____ .

Ans. : Monday

18. _____ was given the opportunity to keep the score.

Ans. : Prabhat

19. Surya played the games _____ while _____

Ans. : phenomenally, laughing and joking with everyone

20. Prabhat was unhappy because _____ .

Ans. : he had won by cheating

21. Prabhat changed by _____ .

Ans. : observing Surya's behaviour

22. Prabhat _____ after the match.

Ans. : self



23. Surya was different from Prabhat because he was _____ .

Ans. : self

24. In the end, Prabhat _____ while playing badminton.

Ans. : self

*** Answer The Following Questions In One Sentence.[1 Marks Each]**

[8]

25. According to his family, what did Prabhat not know?

Ans. : According to his family, Prabhat did not know how to accept defeat.

26. What kinds of games did Prabhat play?

Ans. : Prabhat only played the games in which he was good and it was sure that he would win.

27. Surya was a real phenomenon. Explain.

Ans. : The given statement indicates that Surya was a very good badminton player.

28. Why was Prabhat surprised at Surya playing basketball?

Ans. : Prabhat was surprised at Surya playing basketball because he was playing happily inspite of the fact that he was not scored any goal.

29. Prabhat was selected for keeping the scoreboard. What does this tell us about Prabhat?

Ans. : self

30. How is Surya introduced in the story?

Ans. : self

31. What is the most important thing in a game?

Ans. : self

32. State one thing that depicts that Prabhat had changed.

Ans. : self

*** VERY SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS**

[16]

33. Why do you think Prabhat cheated in a friendly game?

Ans. : I think that Prabhat cheated in the friendly game because he could not accept losing any game. He knew that with Surya scoring points in the game, he would definitely lose. So, to avoid losing and feeling sad, he cheated in the game.

34. "It's been fun. We should play again some other time," said Surya. What does this tell you about Surya?

Ans. : The given lines tell us that Surya was an easy-going and happy child who enjoyed doing things for the sake of it. He understood that it was a friendly game



played for fun as well as practice. Hence, his reaction shows his good sportsman spirit.

35. What was Prabhat keeping a close watch on Surya?

Ans. : Prabhat was keeping a close watch on Surya because he was surprised at Surya's reaction to the friendly game. He found it strange that even if losing the game Surya was not sad and was even playing basketball- a game he was really bad at.

36. How did Prabhat change after observing Surya?

Ans. : Prabhat changed slowly but gradually after observing Surya's nature. He realised that winning was not as important as enjoying the game. He understood that the true value of playing was enjoyment rather than victory.

37. Why was it not surprising that Prabhat and Surya were selected to play against each other?

Ans. : self

38. Surya was a real phenomenon. Prove in the context of the story.

Ans. : self

39. Prabhat made a big thing of his win. Explain.

Ans. : self

40. How did Surya react to losing the game?

Ans. : self

*** Answer The Following Questions In Short.[3 Marks Each]**

[21]

41. Compare and contrast the characters of Prabhat and Surya.

Ans. : Both Prabhat and Surya are school going boys with very different perspectives. Prabhat was a boy obsessed with winning.

He would only play a game if he was good at it and knew that he would win.

Further, he did not know how to accept defeat and even prepared for a friendly game with complete seriousness. When he realised that he would not win the friendly game, he cheated to win.

In contrast, Surya was joyous boy who did not care for winning or losing. While preparing for the friendly match, he was relaxed and joked with everybody. Even during the game, he was not paying his complete attention and lost. However, he was not sad about it.

He in fact told Prabhat that he would like to play with Prabhat.

Concluding, Surya displays true sportsmanship that is lacking in Prabhat.

42. It is self-reflection that leads Prabhat to learn the importance of enjoying the game. Justify with reference to the chapter.



Ans. : It is true that self-reflection that leads Prabhat to learn the importance of enjoying the game. Mere observation without understanding one's faults and realising the need to change.

This is what happened with Prabhat. It can be said that Prabhat's parents and teachers might have told him about his obsession with victory. However, it did not change Prabhat's thinking and he continued to play the games in which he would win.

All the change that came in Prabhat was after he observed Surya.

His classmate's reaction to losing and his joyful nature surprised Prabhat. He could not understand how Surya could be so relaxed even after losing or play a game that he was bad at. Hence, Prabhat started observing Surya which made him understand his own flaws. As a result, he transformed.

43. "Surya was paying so little attention to the match...". Do you think such an act is wise on Surya's part? Give reason for your answer.

Ans. : I do not think that paying less attention to any match whether friendly or competitive is justified. Given that it was a friendly match, one could accept Surya's behaviour but cannot justify it as good. In a long run, such an act can lead to the loss of an important match.

44. Imagine the friendly weekly game was a proper competition. Do you think Surya would have been careless in it or Prabhat would have the courage to cheat?

Ans. : If the friendly weekly match was a proper competition, I do not think that Surya would have been that careless. He would have no doubt enjoyed the game and not become sad even if he had lost. However, he would have given his best with complete attention.

Prabhat would also not have changed the scoreboard realising that if he were caught cheating in an important game, he could be banned from playing in competitive matches for some time as punishment.

45. Surprisingly, Prabhat could not sleep well that night. He had won the game but he did not feel as happy as he usually did.

These lines indicate that Prabhat had a conscience (an understanding of what is morally wrong or right). Do you agree? Justify.

Ans. : Conscience is the understanding of what is right or wrong. Such an understanding helps us realise the importance and impact of our actions. It teaches us that we should not cheat and if we do, it prevents us from being happy or satisfied with the victory. The truth of our conscience can be seen in Prabhat's reaction after winning the game.

in the story, 'Change of Heart', Prabhat cheats in a friendly game after realising and that he would lose. So, when no one is paying attention, he changes the score board. He wins and everyone praises him. However, he is unhappy because his

morality tells that his winning is not justified because he had cheated. It shows him that he is not the true winner of the game.

46. Prabhat was surprised at Surya. List the things that surprised him.

Ans. : self

47. Prabhat changed because of Surya. Do you agree? Justify your answer.

Ans. : self

*** Case based questions.**

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On one hand, Prabhat prepared for the match with great seriousness. Surya, on the other hand, seemed relaxed, not taking the things seriously at all. He walked about the whole time, smiling and cracking jokes about all sorts of things. But on Friday, at the badminton court, Surya was a real phenomenon. He won points again and again, laughing and joking all the time.

48. The match referred to in the extract is_____ .

- (a) a competitive match to see who is better
- (b) an audition
- (c) a friendly weekly match
- (d) a challenged between Prabhat and Surya

49. 'He won points again and again.' What does the given line tell us about 'he'?

50. Do you think Prabhat's behaviour is correct in the extract

51. State whether the following statement is True or False.

Surya was deliberately trying to get Prabhat jealous in the game.

Ans. : (i) (c) a friendly weekly match

(ii)The given line tells us that 'he'- Surya, is a very good player of badminton.

(iii)I think that Prabhat's behaviour in the situation presented in the extract is incorrect. The match is a friendly match in which win or loss is not little importance. Therefore, Prabhat's seriousness is not required.

(iv) False

Prabhat kept a close watch on Surya for some days. He was great at some things, terrible at others but what was common was the enjoyment. He enjoyed everything equally. As Prabhat went on with his observation, he realised that to enjoy a game, you did not need a scoreboard to keep a tally of your scores. Neither did you have to worry about winning and losing. You needed to enjoy the game for its own sake. What matters is trying to do well, and enjoying every moment of it.

52. What did Prabhat learn from Surya?

- (a) How to relax
- (b) Good sportsmanship
- (c) Team playing
- (d) Importance of honesty



53. The expression 'kept a close watch' means_____.
54. What did Prabhat observe about Surya?
55. Identify the lines which defines the lesson learnt by Prabhat.

Ans. : (i)(c) Team playing

(ii)to observe carefully

(iii)Prabhat observed that Surya did not care for winning. He enjoyed playing everything even if he was bad at it.

(iv)The lines which defines good sportsmanship as learnt by Prabhat is "Neither did you have to worry about winning and losing. You needed to enjoy the game for its own sake. What matters is trying to do well, and enjoying every moment of it.

On that day, everyone was discussing their game and how Prabhat had played so well. Surprisingly, Prabhat could not sleep well that night. He had won the game but he did not feel as happy as he usually did. What was surprising was that Surya did not feel bad about losing. What was more surprising was that Prabhat saw Surya playing basketball the next day.

56. The 'game' referred to the extract ended with
57. How did Prabhat prepare from the game?
58. Why do you think Prabhat was not happy that night?
59. Prabhat was surprised because _____ .
- (a) Surya was not sad
- (b) Surya was good at basketball
- (c) Surya was not talking to him
- (d) his cheating was discovered

Ans. : self

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