

...anytime, just remember to follow your passion!

Q.7. Translate the following into English, keeping in view the idiomatic/figurative expression.

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جب ٹائٹنک ڈوبا تو اس میں کروڑ پتی جان جیکب ایسٹر چہارم سوار تھے۔ اس کے بینک اکاؤنٹ میں موجود رقم 30 ٹائٹنکس بنانے کے لیے کافی تھی۔ تاہم، جان لیوا خطرے کا سامنا کرتے ہوئے، اس نے وہی انتخاب کیا جسے وہ اخلاقی طور پر درست سمجھتا تھا اور دو خوفزدہ بچوں کو بچانے کے لیے لائف بوٹ میں اپنی جگہ چھوڑ دی۔

ڈیپارٹمنٹل سٹورز کی سب سے بڑی امریکی چین کے شریک مالک ایسڈور اسٹراس، "میسیز" جو ٹائی ٹینک پر بھی تھے، نے کہا: "میں دوسرے مردوں سے پہلے کبھی بھی لائف بوٹ میں داخل نہیں ہوں گا۔"

اس کی اہلیہ، ایڈا اسٹراس نے بھی لائف بوٹ پر سوار ہونے سے انکار کر دیا، اور اس کی جگہ اپنی نوکرانی ایلن برڈ کو دے دی۔ اس نے زندگی کے آخری لمحات اپنے شوہر کے ساتھ گزارنے کا فیصلہ کیا۔ ان دولت مند افراد نے اپنے اخلاقی اصولوں پر سمجھوتہ کرنے کے بجائے اپنی دولت اور یہاں تک کہ اپنی جانوں سے بھی الگ ہونے کو ترجیح دی۔ اخلاقی اقدار کے حق میں ان کا انتخاب انسانی تہذیب اور انسانی فطرت کی شان کو اجاگر کرتا ہے۔

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John Jacob Easter IV was present on Titanic at the time it sank. His bank credits were enough to manufacture thirty titanics yet he preferred to choose moral values facing the life-threatening danger and to save the life of two scared children he compromised his space in life boat.

Meissel, the honoree of the chain of American largest departmental store, who was also on Titanic, said: "I will never enter life boat before other males". His wife, Eda Strauss, also refused to enter life boat and sent her maid in her place. She wanted to spend last hours of her life with her husband. These rich people prioritize moral values inspite of compromising them at the expense of their wealth and even their lives. Their prioritization of moral values glorifies the beauty of culture and human nature.

Q. 2 Make a précis of the following passage and suggest a suitable title.

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In what movie was the villain actually right? Ephialtes from action film 300. He betrays Leonidas and leads the Persian army on a secret path, allowing them to surround and ultimately defeat the Spartan group.

I will not argue that his actions are right or wrong per se, but that they are understandable, do not constitute betrayal and do not make Ephialtes evil. Let's look at the events leading up. It is established in the opening scene that Spartan men are born to be soldiers, and any newborn with a less than perfectly fully abled body is immediately discarded. Not set on a different path, like farming, blacksmithing or whatever, but full on chucked in a ditch.

Ephialtes was supposed to be one of these discarded babies, but his parents, loving their son beyond his twisted body, decided they would rather flee Sparta and live in the shadows than to have him killed. Ephialtes then spends his life in hiding, training with his father, working to become a good soldier, hoping that he may, one day, serve the very people that rejected him.

Finally, when the opportunity comes, Ephialtes follows Leonidas and the 300 and manages to get an audience with the King. He kneels in front of Leonidas, tells him his story and begs him to be allowed to join the fight. He knows the 300 are basically on a suicide mission, but it does not matter to him. He just wants to have a noble death, to be accepted as one of them, and to "earn his father's armor".

And after all that, and in spite of having "a good spear", Leonidas turns him down. Leonidas claims Ephialtes' inability to raise his shield is detrimental to a phalanx, where each soldier defends the one on his left.

Hell, I bet if Leonidas just had given him his blessing to charge the Persian army alone, he would have done it to have a good death and take a few Persians with him. But no, after proving his loyalty and his "good spear" skills, Ephialtes is once again rejected. He is again cast aside.

Only then, completely broken and with nowhere to go, does he go to Xerxes. He is being offered all the riches he desires to join the Persian side, which he accepts, but on top of the generic "wealth and power" he asks for the one thing that he really wanted: a uniform. He was never motivated by greed. And he never committed betrayal, as he was never accepted by Sparta to begin with.

Ephialtes: Misunderstood Rejection and Betrayal.

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In the passage the author discussed about the character **Ephialtes** ^{misunderstood tragedy of rejection and betrayal} from the movie 300. Ephialtes was born in sparta where every spartan man was a soldier. Unluckily he was physically impaired. Spartans used to discard such babies but Ephialtes survived because of his parent's love. His parents took him to some far away place and trained him to prove his ability. On his return when he wished to join spartan fight. Leonidas refused him to join the army of 300 because of his inability. Being hurt from this situation, he got an opportunity to join rivalry army that was Persian army. He was offered all the riches to join Persian army but his priority was **uniform** which showed his enthusiasm to prove his ability rather than greed and betrayal. Author didnot judge his actions as right or wrong rather he is of view that Ephialtes actions are understandable.

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Words in actual passage: 385 ± 5

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