

## Q.1 (Answer)

Most of us fail in our efforts of self improvement because we set unrealistic goals. We do not analyze our strengths and weaknesses. Nor we make any plans either to overcome our weaknesses or to achieve those goals realistically. We come too ambitious. Thus, the plans or goals become difficult to bring into actual practice.

## Q.2 (Answer)

The mistake in announcing the resolution to every body is that in case of failure, one appears narcissistic to others. When one boasts and fail to stick to the resolution it goes contrary to the expectation of others one has built for oneself. Thus, the failure makes one appear irresponsible for having unrealistic goals for oneself.

### Q.3(Answer)

The writer did not carry out his resolution on New Year's Day because he was celebrating new year's eve party. Because of late night celebrations the goals he had set before new year were put to halt for a while. Thus, providing him with the excuse to not follow the goals on new year's eve.

### Q.4(Answer)

#### Words

1. Intimidating
2. Peril
3. Dwindle
4. Repel
5. Barb

#### Words from Passage

- Formidable  
pitfalls  
waned  
fend off  
jibes