

- a- Answer must start from the question statement
- b- It should be of at least 2 sentences; single sentence answer is not acceptable
- c- Do not add your own opinion unless you are asked for; ideas must be from the passage
- d- Avoid replicating phrases from the passage; you may extract/paraphrase
- e- Give a closing end to each answer
- f- Ideal length of answer is 5-7 lines. Avoid too lengthy answers
- g- Also, do not begin answers with the words, "Yes, No, And or But"

## Comprehension:

Q1: Most of us fail in our efforts at self improvement because our schemes are too ambitious and we never have time to carry them out. As the resolutions we made at the very start of every year are pretty aspiring & determined. Self-improvement is the basic need behind them. But the efforts goes all in vain because we are not giving much attention and time to self improvement. There is always contradiction between words and action. As a result, we fail.

too long answer.

Q2. We make the fundamental error of announcing our resolution to everybody so that we look even more foolish when we slip back into our bad old ways. Every new year is considered the time of resolution and we make a list of 'do's and 'don't's'. After making resolution we used to share them with others. But man is lazy by nature, he



Started getting bore of <sup>some</sup> ~~anything~~ after some time. Man ~~don't~~ stick to his words & then not be able to ~~perform~~ well. His bad performance makes him ~~embarrassed~~ in front of society for not fulfilling his own words.

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Q3.

Writer knows the fact that it is a mistake of announcing his ~~new resolution~~ to everybody. So he thought of keeping his resolution to himself. He limited himself to two good habits. One is ~~doing exercise daily~~ and the second is habit of ~~reading books~~. He also get benefit of ~~overnight party~~ on New Year Evening and didn't carry out his resolution on first day. From day 2nd he ~~committed~~ to his task/work ~~sincerely/actively~~.

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Q4.

Intimidating  
peril  
dwindle  
repel  
bald

pitfall  
diminished, waned  
fended  
taunts, jibes

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