

COMPREHENSION QUIZ

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Ans 1. According to the author, most of us fail in our efforts for self improvement because we tend to set too many goals. These goals are often too difficult to attain. There is also very little time to carry them out. ~~We~~ Thus, we get used to ~~the idea~~ failing because we keep lying to ourselves.

Ans 2. According to the author, it is a fundamental error to announce your goals/resolutions to everybody because we ~~and~~ tend to look even more foolish when we are unable to attain them. Similarly, the people can taunt you and be unsupportive while you carry out your resolutions, ^{according to the} ~~which was the~~ ^{personal} ~~past~~ experience of the author.

Ans 3: The writer did not carry out his resolution on New Year's Day because his enthusiasm waned. He started making excuses ^{where he} ~~to~~ redirected his energy towards another task, i.e. reading, instead of working out. He wasn't able to stick to his reading either because he gave in to previous temptations. In this case, it was sitting in front of the television. Thus, he fell back into his old habit.

Ans 5:

- a) Intimidating → Formidable
- b) Peril → Pitfalls
- c) Dwindle → Waned
- d) Repel → Fended
- e) Baub → Tibes