

-(English Comprehension)-

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(i) Why most of us fail in our efforts for self-improvement?

Most of us fail in our effort for self-improvement because:

- (i) our schemes are too ambitious.
- (ii) we don't have enough time to carry them out.
- (iii) we announce our resolution to others, making it harder when we fail.
- (iv) we lack the self-discipline to maintain the effort over time.

(ii) Why is it a basic mistake to announce our resolution to everybody?

It is a basic mistake to announce our resolution to everybody because sometimes certain resolutions are beyond attainment and sometimes we failed to maintain the resolution due to lack of time; and leading to look more foolish in front of others, which adds to the frustration.

(iii) Why did the writer not carry out his resolution on New Year's Day?

The writer did not carry out his resolution on New Year's Day because he attended an overnight

party on New Year's Eve. This provided him with an excuse to postpone his new resolutions until the second day of the year.

(iv) Find out the words in above -----?

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| (a) Intimidating | — | formidable |
| (b) peril | — | pitfall |
| (c) dwindle | — | diminished |
| (d) repel | — | fended off |
| (e) Barb | — | Jibe |
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