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English Comprehension Test-1

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→ Questions:

1. Why most of us fail in our efforts for self-improvement?

Answer:

According to the writer, many people fail in their efforts to improve themselves only because their plans lack practicality and are too pushy and working on such plan is just an idea that is far from achieving because of lacking substance. A person also does not have that much time to make such a plan executable which ultimately results in its failure.

2. Why is it a basic mistake to announce our resolution to everybody?

Answer:

The writer contends that it is considered a first mistake of our plan when we let everyone know about our next year's resolution because it is mostly unachievable and when we fail to do so, we make a joke of ourselves in front of everyone as they judge us then and most likely taunt us on that failure. It is better to keep it a secret.

3. Why did the writer not carry out his resolution on New Year's Day?

Answer:

The writer did not work towards his resolution on New Year's Day because of an overnight party on New Year's Eve. It acted as an excuse for the writer on the first day. The New Year's resolutions often left unattainable are mostly because of this behaviour of humans that looks for excuse in everything. The writer did the same, indicating the failure of his resolution that is about to follow throughout the year.

4. Find out the words in the above passage which convey the similar meaning to the following:

a) Intimidating formidable ✓

b) Pexil Pitfall, problem ✓

c) Dwindle Diminish ✓

d) Repel Fended off, resisting ✓

e) Baxb taunts, jibes ✓

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