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## ARJUN BATCH

## ENGLISH

### QUESTION OF TWO STORIES ABOUT FLYING

PART-02



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## MCQs

1. Why was the young seagull afraid to fly?

(a) Because he was lazy.

(b) Because he thought his wings would not support him.

(c) Because he wanted to stay with his mother.

(d) Because he was sick.

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# First Flight

Seagull – fear of flying

Black Aeroplane

Pilot storm – mysterious



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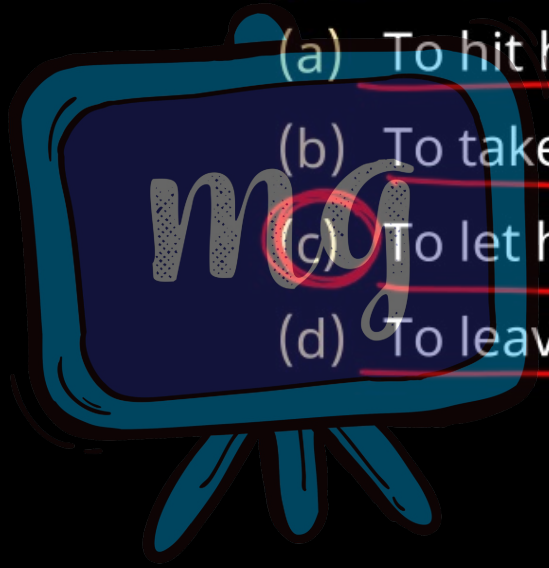
**2.** What did the seagull's parents threaten to do if he did not fly?

(a) To hit him.

(b) To take away his nest.

(c) To let him starve on the ledge.

(d) To leave him alone forever.



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3. What made the seagull finally dive from the ledge?

(a) He was pushed by his father.

(b) He was maddened by hunger.

(c) He wanted to impress his brothers.

(d) He wanted to play in the water.

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4. What happened when the seagull first tried to stand on the green sea?

(a) He flew high into the sky.

(b) He started swimming immediately.

(c) His legs sank into the water.

(d) He fell down on the sand.

5. How did the family react after the seagull made his first flight?

(a) They ignored him.

(b) They were angry with him.

(c) They screamed and praised him.

(d) They left him alone.

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(i) The moon was coming up in the..... east .....

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B. west
C. south
D. north

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(ii) The stars were shining in the.....Sky.....

A. sky
B. room
C. school
D. house

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(iii) Why was the writer happy?

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(iii) Why was the writer happy?

(1) Answer : The writer was happy because it was his holiday and he was going to meet his family.

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(iv) What was the writer flying?

Answer : He was flying Dakota DS 088.

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(v) Write the similar word of the following, from the passage :

'rest'. — Sleeping

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(vi) Write the opposite word of the following, from the passage:

'dull' Shining

1. What was the forceful thing to make the young seagull successful to fly?

[His First Flight]



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# BOARDS

1. What was the forceful thing to make the young seagull successful to fly?

[His First Flight]

**Answer :** Extreme hunger was the forceful thing. Because he had not eaten anything for 24 hours, seeing the piece of fish in his mother's beak made him desperate, and he dived at it, which finally forced him to fly.

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2. Why did the woman in the control centre look strangely at the narrator?

[The Black Aeroplane]




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**2.** Why did the woman in the control centre look strangely at the narrator?

[The Black Aeroplane]

**Answer :** She looked strangely because the narrator was asking about another pilot who helped him. She told him that his was the only aeroplane on the radar that night and no other planes were flying in the storm.

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3. What does "The sight of the food maddened him" suggest?



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**Answer :** It suggests that the young seagull was starving with extreme hunger after going without food for a whole day, and seeing the food made him lose control and risk everything to get it.

4. Why did the young seagull's parents threaten him? [His First Flight]



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**4.** Why did the young seagull's parents threaten him? [His First Flight]

**Answer :** They threatened to let him starve on his ledge unless he flew away because they wanted him to overcome his fear and learn how to fly independently.

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**5.** What happened to the instruments inside the storm clouds?

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[The Black Aeroplane]

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navigate

**5.** What happened to the instruments inside the storm clouds?

[The Black Aeroplane]

**Answer :** Inside the dark storm clouds, the compass and the radio stopped working completely, leaving the pilot lost with no way to navigate or communicate.

6. How did the pilot feel when he saw the strange black aeroplane?

[The Black Aeroplane]



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**6.** How did the pilot feel when he saw the strange black aeroplane?

[The Black Aeroplane]

**Answer :** He felt very glad and relieved to see another person in the storm, especially when the pilot waved and signaled him to follow.

7. What did the young seagull do to pretend he was falling asleep on the ledge?



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**7.** What did the young seagull do to pretend he was falling asleep on the ledge?

attention

**Answer :** He stood on one leg with the other leg hidden under his wing and closed one eye, then the other, so his family would think he was sleeping and pay attention to him.

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8. What happened when the young seagull tried to stand on the green sea after his flight?



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**8.** What happened when the young seagull tried to stand on the green sea after his flight?

**Answer :** When he tried to stand on the water, his legs sank into it and he screamed with fear. But then his belly touched the water, and he stopped sinking and floated safely on the sea.

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Question

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## Back Questions

1. Why was the young seagull afraid to fly? Do you think all young birds are afraid to make their first flight, or are some birds more timid than others? Do you think a human baby also finds it a challenge to take its first steps?

OR

Why was the seagull afraid, are all birds equally timid, and do human babies face a similar challenge when learning to walk?

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**Answer :** The young seagull was afraid to fly because he thought his wings would not support him and the sea down below was very deep. Not all birds are the same; some are more timid than others. Yes, just like young birds, a human baby also finds it difficult and scary to take its first steps, but they learn with practice.

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**2.** "The sight of the food maddened him."

What does this suggest? What compelled the young seagull to finally fly?

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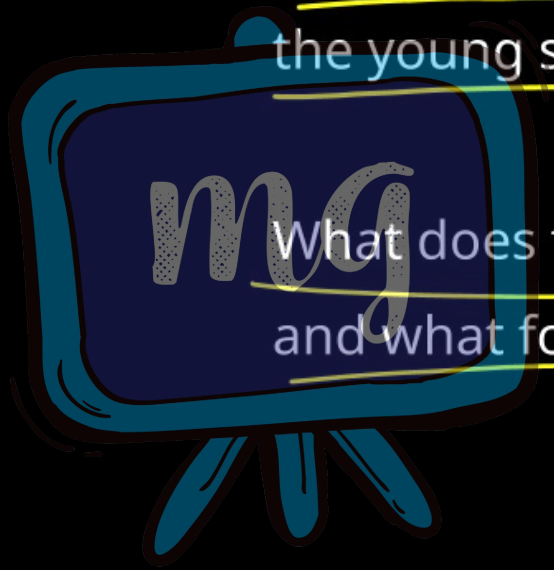
Or

What does the food sighting suggest, and what forced the seagull to finally fly?



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**2.** "The sight of the food maddened him." What does this suggest? What compelled the young seagull to finally fly?

Or

What does the food sighting suggest, and what forced the seagull to finally fly?

**Answer :** This suggests that the young seagull was extremely hungry because he had not eaten anything for twenty-four hours.

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His hunger and the piece of fish brought by his mother compelled him to dive toward the food, which finally made him fly.

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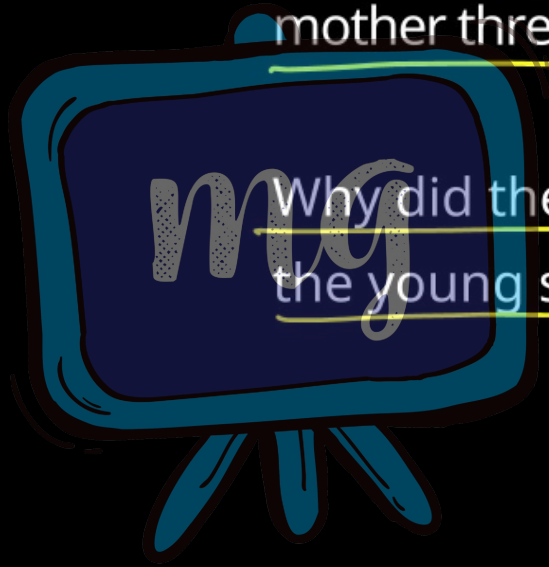
3. "They were beckoning to him, calling shrilly." Why did the seagull's father and mother threaten him and cajole him to fly?

Or

Why did the parents threaten and cajole the young seagull to fly?



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Why did the parents threaten and cajole the young seagull to fly?

**Answer :** His parents threatened and cajoled him because they wanted him to learn how to fly and find his own food. They wanted him to overcome his fear and become independent.

4. Have you ever had a similar experience, where your parents encouraged you to do something that you were too scared to try? Discuss this in pairs or groups.

Or

Have your parents ever encouraged you to try something you were scared of?

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**4.** Have you ever had a similar experience, where your parents encouraged you to do something that you were too scared to try? Discuss this in pairs or groups.

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Have your parents ever encouraged you to try something you were scared of?

**Answer :** Yes, many times parents encourage us when we are scared.

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For example, when children try to ride a bicycle for the first time, they are very scared of falling. But parents hold the cycle and encourage us until we learn it successfully.



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**5.** In the case of a bird flying, it seems a natural act, and a foregone conclusion that it should succeed. In the examples you have given in answer to the previous question, was your success guaranteed, or was it important for you to try, regardless of a possibility of failure?

Or

Was your success guaranteed when trying something new, and why is trying important despite failure?

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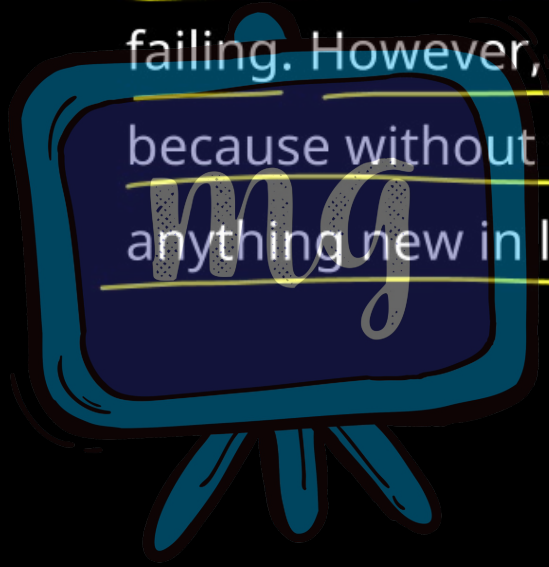
**Answer :** No, success was not guaranteed. There was always a chance of falling or failing. However, it was very important to try because without trying, we can never learn anything new in life.



6. “I’ll take the risk.” What is the risk?

Why does the narrator take it?



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**6.** "I'll take the risk." What is the risk? Why does the narrator take it?

**Answer :** The risk was flying his old Dakota aeroplane straight into the big, dark storm clouds. The narrator takes this risk because he wanted to reach home on time and enjoy a good English breakfast with his family.

7. Describe the narrator's experience as he flew the aeroplane into the storm.



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**7.** Describe the narrator's experience as he flew the aeroplane into the storm.

**Answer :** When he entered the storm, everything became completely black. The aeroplane jumped and twisted in the air. His compass and radio stopped working, and he got completely lost in the dark clouds.

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8. Why does the narrator say, “I landed and was not sorry to walk away from the old Dakota...”?



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**8.** Why does the narrator say, "I landed and was not sorry to walk away from the old Dakota..."?

**Answer :** He says this because he was very happy and relieved to be alive and safe after escaping a dangerous storm where he almost lost his life. He was just glad to be on the ground.

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9. What made the woman in the control centre look at the narrator strangely?



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What made the woman in the control centre look at the narrator strangely?

**Answer :** The woman looked at him strangely because he was asking about another aeroplane in the storm. She told him that his plane was the only one she could see on her radar, and no other plane was flying that night.

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**10.** Who do you think helped the narrator to reach safely? Discuss this among yourselves and give reasons for your answer.



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① strong desire
② inner strength
③ imagination
④ angels / ghost
⑤ God

**10.** Who do you think helped the narrator to reach safely? Discuss this among yourselves and give reasons for your answer.

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**Answer :** It is a complete mystery. Some people think it was a miracle or a guardian angel, while others believe it was the pilot's own inner courage and strong desire to reach home that helped him find his way out.