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CH-7 : Reach for the Top

Part – 4

Maria Sharapova

ARPITA SHARMA

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OVERVIEW

1. Santosh Yadav
2. Maria Sharapova



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A Russian girl, Maria Sharapova, reached the summit of women's tennis when she was barely eighteen.



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1. There is something disarming about Maria Sharapova, something at odds with her ready smile and glamorous attire. And that something in her lifted her on Monday, 22 August 2005 to the world number one position in women's tennis.

Position : स्थान

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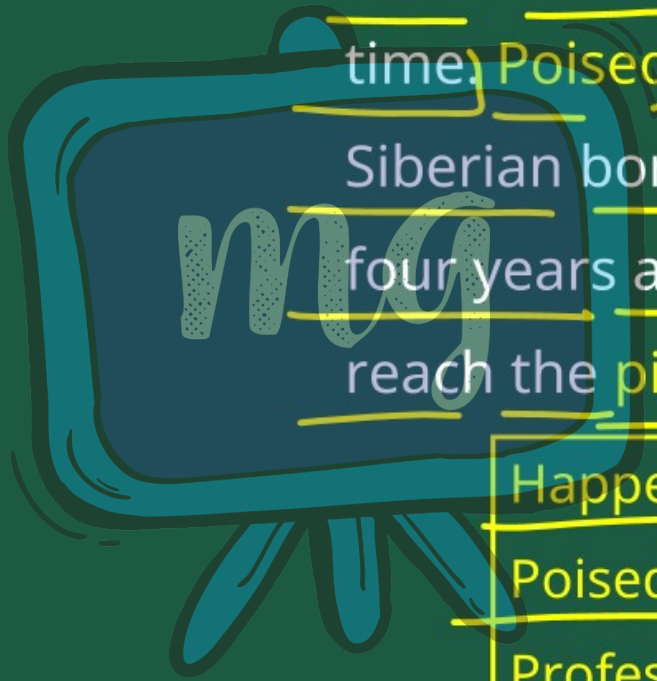

All this happened in almost no time. Poised beyond her years, the Siberian born teenager took just four years as a professional to reach the pinnacle.

Happened	:	घटित हुआ
Poised	:	संतुलित
Professional	:	पेशेवर
Pinnacle	:	चोटी/शिखर

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2. However, the rapid ascent in a fiercely competitive world began nine years before with a level of sacrifice few children would be prepared to endure.

Rapid	:	तेज/तीव्र
Ascent	:	चढ़ाई
Fiercely	:	घमासान
Competitive	:	प्रतियोगिता वाला
Level	:	स्तर
Sacrifice	:	त्याग
Prepared	:	तैयार
Endure	:	सहन करना

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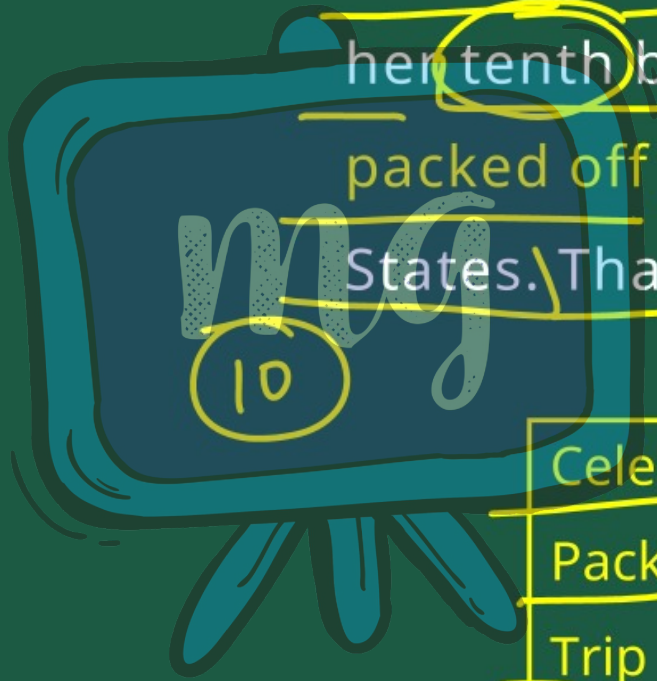
Little Maria had not yet celebrated her tenth birthday when she was packed off to train in the United States. That trip to Florida with



Celebrated	:	मनाया
Packed off	:	भेज दिया
Trip	:	यात्रा

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her father Yuri launched her on the path to success and stardom. But it also required a heart-wrenching two-year separation from her mother Yelena.

Launched	:	प्रक्षेपित कर दिया
Path	:	मार्ग
Success	:	सफलता
Stardom	:	लोकप्रियता
Required	:	अपेक्षित
Heart-wrenching	:	दुःख दायक
Separation	:	अलगाव

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The latter was compelled to stay back in Siberia because of visa restrictions. The nine-year-old girl had already learnt an important lesson in life — that tennis excellence would only come at a price.

Latter	:	बाद वाला
Compelled	:	मजबूर
Restrictions	:	पाबंदियाँ
Excellence	:	श्रेष्ठता

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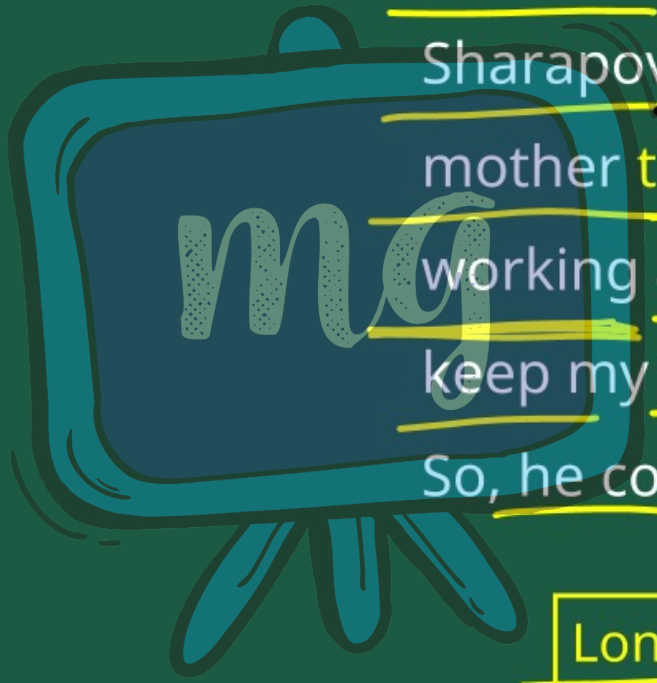
3. “I used to be so lonely,” Maria Sharapova recalls. “I missed my mother terribly. My father was working as much as he could to keep my tennis-training going. So, he couldn’t see me either.



Lonely	:	अकेला
Terribly	:	अत्यधिक

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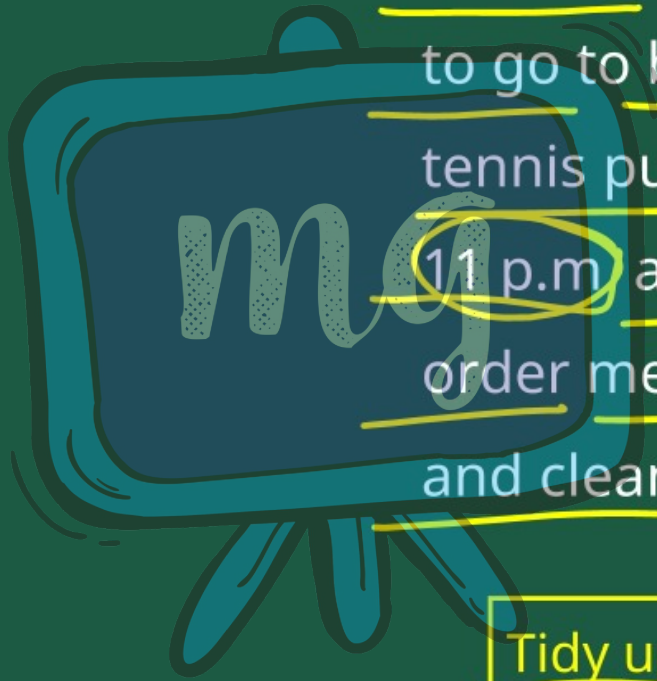
4. “Because I was so young, I used to go to bed at 8 p.m. The other tennis pupils would come in at 11 p.m. and wake me up and order me to tidy up the room and clean it.



Tidy up : सुव्यवस्थित करना

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5. “Instead of letting that depress me, I became more quietly determined and mentally tough. I learnt how to take care of myself. I never thought of quitting because

Depress	:	निराश करना
Quietly	:	चुपचाप
Determined	:	दृढ़
Mentally	:	मानसिक
Tough	:	कठोर
Quitting	:	त्यागना/छोड़ना

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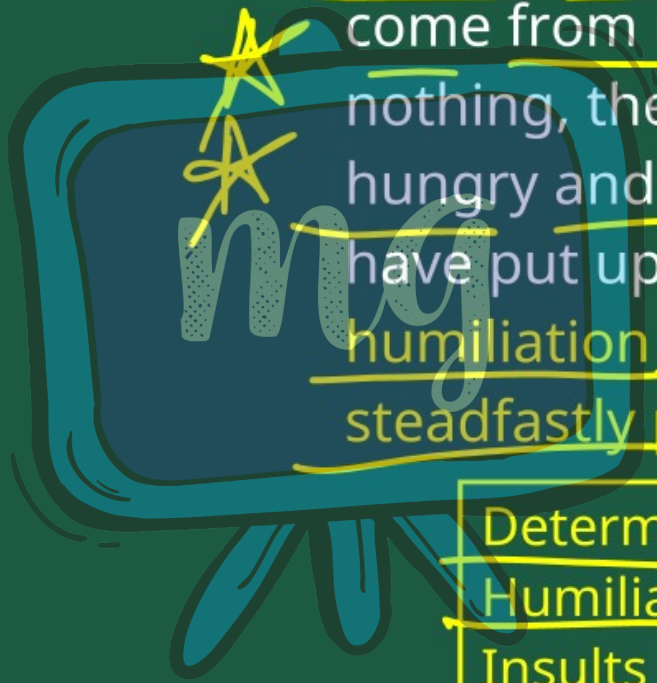
I knew what I wanted, When you come from nothing and you have nothing, then it makes you very hungry and determined , .. I would have put up with much more humiliation and insults than that to steadfastly pursue my dream."



Determined	:	दृढ़ निश्चय वाला
Humiliation	:	अपमान
Insults	:	अपमान
Steadfastly	:	अटलता से
Pursue	:	लगे रहना

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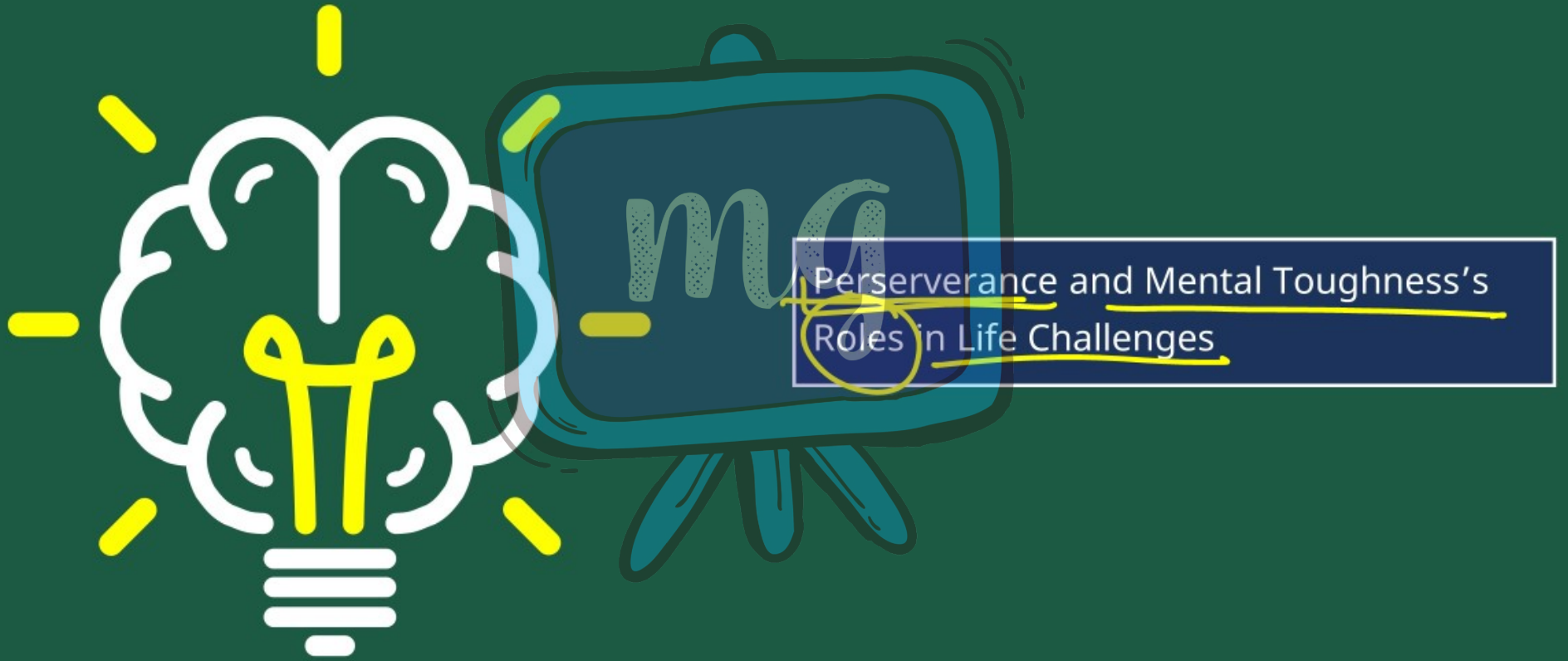

Perserverance and Mental Toughness's Roles in Life Challenges

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ASSESSMENT



1 Maria Sharapova belongs to..... .

A England

B Russia

C Germany

D America

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2 Where was Maria sent to learn tennis?

A The United States

B England

C India

D Russia

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3 How long did it take Maria to reach first position?

A Three years

B Two years

C Four years

D One year

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4 When did Maria Sharapova get the world number one position in women's tennis?

A 23 August 2004

B 23 August 2005

C 22 August 2004

D 22 August 2005 Monday