

CHAPTER-7 | Reach for the Top

QUIZ
PART-01

1. When and where was Santosh Yadav born?

- A. 10 October 1967, Joniyawas village, Rewari district, Haryana
- B. 15 August 1965, Jaipur, Rajasthan
- C. 2 October 1970, Delhi
- D. 5 September 1967, Hariawas village, Bhiwani district (A)

Explanation: Santosh Yadav was born on 10 October 1967 in Joniyawas village, Rewari district, Haryana.

2. What unusual request did Santosh's grandmother make to the holy man?

- A. A blessing for a son
- B. HeA blessing for a daughter
- C. A blessing for wealth
- D. A blessing for long life (B)

Explanation: Contrary to tradition, her grandmother asked the holy man to bless them with a daughter.

3. What does the name 'Santosh' mean?

- A. Blessing
- B. Contentment
- C. Courage
- D. Determination (B)

Explanation: The name 'Santosh' literally means "contentment," though she often challenged traditions.

4. How was Santosh different from other girls in her village?

- A. She preferred traditional dresses
- B. She preferred wearing shorts
- C. She avoided school
- D. She never argued with traditions (B)

Explanation: While other girls wore traditional attire, Santosh confidently chose to wear shorts.

5. At what age did Santosh resist pressure to marry?

- A. Fourteen
- B. Fifteen
- C. Sixteen
- D. Seventeen (C)

Explanation: At sixteen, when most girls in her village married, she resisted family pressure and chose education instead.

6. What did Santosh threaten her parents with if they denied her education?

- A. She would leave home
- B. She would not marry
- C. She would work full-time
- D. She would study abroad (B)

Explanation: Santosh firmly told her parents that she would never marry if denied proper education.

7. Where did Santosh go after leaving her village for higher education?

- A. Delhi, then Maharani College Jaipur
- B. Mumbai, then Kasturba Hostel
- C. Rewari, then Chandigarh University
- D. Patna, then Delhi University (A)

Explanation: She went to Delhi for schooling and later joined Maharani College, Jaipur, staying at Kasturba Hostel.

8. What inspired Santosh to take up climbing?

- A. Her father's encouragement
- B. Watching villagers vanish into the Aravalli Hills
- C. Reading about mountaineers in books
- D. Meeting a professional climber in her school (B)

Explanation: From her hostel, she saw villagers vanish into the Aravalli Hills and discovered mountaineers there, which inspired her.

9. How did the mountaineers react when Santosh asked to join them?

- A. They refused
- B. They ignored her
- C. They agreed positively and encouraged her
- D. They warned her against it (C)

Explanation: To her pleasant surprise, the mountaineers agreed and encouraged her to take up climbing.

10. What personal quality of Santosh helped her in challenging traditional norms?

- A. Her physical strength
- B. Her determination and rational approach
- C. Her family's wealth
- D. Her grandmother's support (B)

Explanation: Santosh always believed in choosing the rational path with determination, even if it meant challenging customs.