

## CHAPTER-7 | Reach for the Top

QUIZ  
PART-03

1. Why was the holy man surprised when Santosh's grandmother asked for blessings?  
A. She asked for wealth  
B. She asked for a son  
C. She asked for a daughter  
D. She asked for long life (C)

**Explanation:** The holy man was surprised because Santosh's grandmother sought blessings for a daughter, while most people asked for sons.

2. How did Santosh show as a young girl that she was unwilling to accept unreasonable traditions?  
A. She studied hard  
B. She wore shorts instead of traditional dresses  
C. She avoided playing outside  
D. She obeyed without question (B)

**Explanation:** Santosh defied unreasonable traditions by wearing shorts instead of the traditional attire for girls.

3. Why was Santosh initially sent to the local school?  
A. Because her parents wanted her nearby  
B. Because of family custom  
C. Because she disliked studying elsewhere  
D. Because it was cheaper (B)

**Explanation:** Santosh was sent to the local school because of the prevailing family custom.

4. At what age and for what reason did Santosh leave home for Delhi?  
A. At fourteen, for mountaineering  
B. At fifteen, for work  
C. At sixteen, for proper education  
D. At seventeen, for marriage (C)

**Explanation:** Santosh left home for Delhi at the age of sixteen to pursue proper education.

5. What mental quality of Santosh is revealed when she convinced her parents to fund her education?  
A. Arrogance  
B. Politeness and determination  
C. Carelessness  
D. Laziness (B)

**Explanation:** Santosh politely told her parents she would work part-time to pay her fees, showing her determination and rational approach.

6. What inspired Santosh to take up mountaineering?  
A. Stories from books  
B. Seeing villagers vanish into the Aravalli Hills  
C. Encouragement from her teachers  
D. Her father's advice (B)

**Explanation:** Santosh was inspired when she saw villagers vanish into the Aravalli Hills from her hostel window.

7. During her Everest expedition, how did Santosh show concern for her teammates?  
A. She carried their luggage  
B. She shared food  
C. She cared for a dying climber and saved Mohan Singh by sharing oxygen  
D. She led the team alone (C)

**Explanation:** Santosh showed concern by trying to save a dying climber and saving Mohan Singh with her oxygen.

8. How did Santosh prove her environmental concern as a mountaineer?  
A. She refused to camp on mountains  
B. She planted trees  
C. She collected and brought down 500 kg of garbage  
D. She built eco-friendly hostels (C)

**Explanation:** Santosh demonstrated her concern for the environment by bringing down 500 kg of garbage from the Himalayas.

9. What feelings did Santosh express upon reaching the summit of Everest?  
A. Fear and exhaustion  
B. Indifference  
C. Delight and spiritual pride while unfurling the tricolor  
D. Disappointment (C)

**Explanation:** At the summit, Santosh felt delighted, spiritually elevated, and proudly unfurled the Indian tricolour.

10. For what two records did Santosh Yadav enter the history books?  
A. Youngest girl climber and only Indian woman to win Padma Shri  
B. First woman to climb twice and youngest woman to climb Everest  
C. Only Indian to climb Everest and youngest to win a medal  
D. Youngest woman to climb K2 and Everest (B)

**Explanation:** She was the youngest woman in the world to scale Everest on her first ascent and the only woman to scale it twice on her second.