

15- INSPIRATION HELPS



Rubina lived with her parents in a village. Her father worked in a factory. She was studying in class 6. She always stood first in the class.



One day when her father returned home, he was feeling weak. He told his wife, " I am suffering from some serious disease, and the treatment of this disease is very expensive". On hearing this Rubina's mother became very sad. Her father needed rest, so her mother started working in the factory in his place. Rubina stopped going to school as most of the time she had to stay at home to take care of her father. She was worried about her studies.



One day on their way to the factory, Rubina and her mother met her teacher. The teacher asked the reason for her absence from school. Rubina said, "I am not going to school because my father is very sick and unable to work". Her mother had started working in the mill to support the family and she had to stay at home to do the household work.

The teacher said to her mother, "Your family must have been enrolled in 'Rashtriya Swasthya Beema Yojna'. If so, your husband could be treated under this scheme without spending money". The teacher also suggested that Rubina should join the girls' boarding school. In the boarding school she would get free education, food and hostel facility.



Rubina's mother followed the teacher's advice due to which her husband got good and free treatment and soon recovered. In the boarding school, Rubina could complete her education without any hurdle. Rubina also excelled in her studies. She got admission in a reputed medical college. She also got a scholarship to pursue her studies.

After becoming a doctor she joined a local Primary Health Centre. Later on, she opened a school for the factory worker's children. One day, Rubina along with her parents visited her teacher. They

expressed their gratitude to the teacher. Rubina's parents felt proud of their daughter.

New Words/Phrases

Word	Pronunciation	Meaning
incurable	- /ɪn'kjʊərəbəl/	अशुद्ध
expensive	- /ɪk'spensɪv/	सूख
spending	- /'spendɪŋ/	खर्च
accompany	- /ə'kʌmpəni/	साथ
lagging behind	- /'leɪɡɪŋ bɪ'hænd/	पीछे रहना
starving	- /'stɑːvɪŋ/	खुद को मराना
boarding school	- /'bɔːdɪŋ skuːl/	बोर्डिंग स्कूल
handle	- /'hændl/	साथ
excel	- /ɪk'sel/	अच्छे से काम करना
scholarship	- /'skɒləʃɪp/	बिना खर्च
gratitude	- /grə'tɪtʃʊd/	कृतज्ञता

Comprehension Questions

1. Answer the following questions:

- Where did Rubina's father work?
- Why was Rubina worried?
- Why did Rubina stop going to school?
- What do you understand by "Rashtriya Swasthya Beema Yojna"?
- What was the advice given to Rubina by her teacher?
- What did Rubina do for her village after completing her studies?

2. Who said these words and to whom:

a. "I am suffering from some serious disease."

a. _____

b. "Your family must have been enrolled in 'Rashtriya Swasthya Beema Yojna'."

b. _____

c. "Rubina should join the girls boarding school."

c. _____

d. "I am not going to school because my father is very sick."

d. _____

Word Power

1. Fill in the blanks with appropriate words given in the box:

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a. Pooja wants to ____ in studies.

b. Ravi is __behind in studies due to his poor health.

c. My heart is full of ____ for your support.

d. Shweta overcame the ____by passing the entrance exam.

e. The mother ____her son to the shop.

f. The teacher ____ my name for the sports competition.

Language Practice

1. Add 'can/could' and make questions:

Example- Rubina could come first in the class.

Could Rubina come first in the class?

- a. Her mother could work in the factory.
- b. Her father could recover his health.
- c. Rubina could take admission in the medical college.
- d. Rubina can open the school for factory worker's children.
- e. Her father can get the free treatment in a hospital.
- f. Rubina can join a local Primary Health Centre.

Activity

» Discuss with your friends about the person, story or incident that has inspired you to help people around you.