



Summer Fields School

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CLASS IV - ENGLISH

POEM: TRY, TRY AGAIN





Try, Try Again

What do you do when you fail to do something? Do you give up? Or do you try again? Talk about something that you failed to do but succeeded when you tried again later.

Here is a poem that tells us what to do when we fail to do something.

'Tis a lesson you should heed¹, 

Try, try again;

If at first you don't succeed,

Try, try again;

Then your courage should appear,

For, if you will persevere²,

You will conquer, never fear;

Try, try again.

Once, or twice, though you should fail,

Try, try again;

If you would, at last, prevail³,

Try, try again;

If we strive⁴, 'tis no disgrace⁵,

Though we do not win the race;

What should you do in the case?

Try, try again.

If you find your task is hard,

Try, try again;



¹heed: pay careful attention to | ²persevere: continue trying to do something | ³prevail: (here) don't give up and continue the struggle | ⁴strive: try very hard | ⁵disgrace: (here) shame

Time will bring you your reward,
Try, try again;
All that other folks can do,
Why, with patience, should not you?
Only keep this rule in view,
Try, try again.

T. H. PALMER

Thomas Palmer was an important figure in the development and improvement of the school system in Pittsford and state-level educational standards in the mid-19th century. He drafted updates to the state's education standards in the 1840s. 'Try, Try Again' was published in Palmer's The Teacher's Manual (1840).



LEARN TO

Read

Understand

1. In the poem, the poet talks about a few things we should or should not do when we fail. What are they? Write them in a table.
2. Some people think it is a shame to fail. What does the poet think about this?
3. According to the poet, hard work will bring
(Complete the sentence.)
4. What quality, according to the poet, do we need when we have to do something difficult?

Infer

5. Given on the next page is what Dr APJ Abdul Kalam, former President of India, said about failing. Does he have a view similar to the poet's?

If you fail never give up because

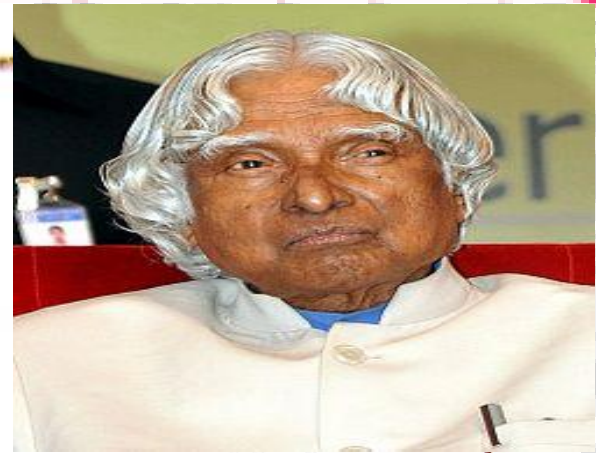
F.A.I.L means 'First Attempt in Learning.'

End is not the end, in fact E.N.D means 'Effort Never Dies.'

If you get No as an answer

Remember 'N.O' means 'Next Opportunity.'

So let's be positive.



TRY TRY AGAIN

Q1. Write the following words with their meanings:

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| a) strive | don't give up |
| b) persevere | shame |
| c) disgrace | continue trying to do something |
| d) prevail | try very hard |

Q2. Write antonyms of the following words:

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| a) appear | _____ |
| b) reward | _____ |
| c) succeed | _____ |
| d) conquer | _____ |

Q3. Make meaningful sentences with the following words:

- a) strive _____

- b) disgrace _____

- c) prevail _____

Q4. Reference to context:

- i. *Then your courage should appear,
For, if you persevere,
You will conquer, never fear;*

Try, try again.

a) Name the poem and the poet

b) What quality do we need to have to do something difficult?

c) What does the poet think we can do if we do not fear?

ii. *Time will bring you your reward*

Try, try again

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Why, with patience, should not you?

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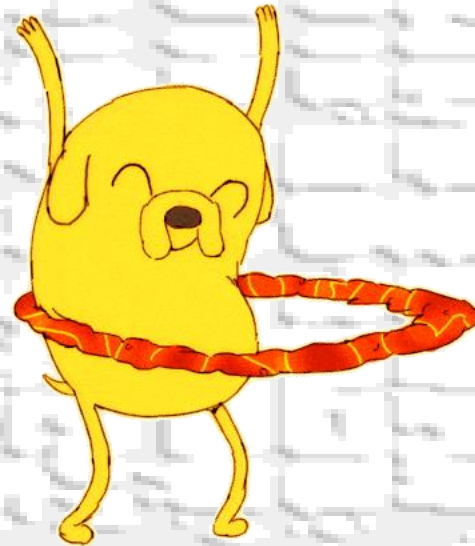
a) Who is 'you' in the above lines?

b) According to the poet what will bring the reward?

c) Which rule should the reader keep in mind?

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Thank
you!