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1	<p><b>Read the passage carefully and answer the questions:</b></p> <p>When Arun was just twelve, he came across a rusted, broken bicycle discarded in a junkyard. Most people passed by it without a second glance, calling it junk. But Arun looked at the bicycle differently. He imagined it not as it was, but as it could be—a fully working bike he could call his own. Despite having no mechanical training and no proper tools, he made up his mind to fix it. Using borrowed tools, discarded parts, and free tutorial videos he watched at the local internet café, Arun began a long and difficult process of trial and error.</p> <p>Many days ended in failure, with scraped knuckles and a discouraged heart. Friends laughed, and some even told him to give up. But he kept at it, determined to learn from each mistake. After six months of effort, his perseverance paid off—Arun rode his self-restored bicycle through the village, smiling wider than ever before. His small success planted a bigger dream. Years later, Arun started a workshop that trains underprivileged youth to repair and reuse broken bicycles and scooters. He teaches them not just skills, but also self-belief. To him, failure is not something to fear—it is simply a stepping stone on the path to success.</p> <p>He believes that failure is not the opposite of success—it's part of it. "We don't need perfect starts," he often says. "We just need to start." Arun's journey is a reminder that determination can turn rust into revolution.</p> <p><b>1. What motivated Arun to repair the broken bicycle?</b></p> <p>a) A school project                                      b) A challenge from his friend c) His belief in its potential                          d) A reward promised by the junkyard owner</p> <p><b>2. How did Arun learn to fix the bicycle?</b></p> <p>a) He attended a mechanical school b) He got training from a local mechanic c) He studied at home using books d) He watched videos and practiced on his own</p> <p><b>3. The phrase “scraped knuckles” in the passage suggests:</b></p> <p>a) A minor injury due to hard work                b) A lazy attitude toward fixing things c) A common village tradition                     d) A mistake that stopped his work</p> <p><b>4. What is Arun’s attitude toward failure?</b></p> <p>a) It is a sign of weakness                            b) It should be avoided at all costs c) It is necessary for learning                      d) It is a reason to give up</p> <p><b>5. What does Arun’s story mainly teach us?</b></p> <p>a) Junkyards can be treasure troves b) Mechanical work requires schooling c) Anyone can become famous with luck d) Determination and effort lead to success</p> <p><b>6. What is meant by the line “turn rust into revolution”?</b></p> <p>a) Changing metal into gold                        b) Using old things to start positive change c) Starting a protest in the village                d) Selling rusted items for profit</p>	6
2	<p>You are the Secretary of the Eco Club, Doon Public School. Write a notice informing the members about an upcoming meeting to discuss Earth Day activities. Sign yourself as Mohit / Mehak. (word limit : 50 words)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>OR</b></p> <p>You are Rohan. Write an e mail to your father telling him how did you enjoy your trip to Chandigarh. . (word limit : 50 words)</p>	4

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