

# Don't Give Up

Animals in our surroundings teach us lessons of determination and perseverance. Can you name some of them?



## Reading Time

You've tried and have not won,  
 Never stop for crying;  
 That's good and great is done  
 Not by patient trying.  
 Though young birds, in flying, fall,  
 Till their wings grow stronger,  
 And the next time they can keep  
 A little longer.  
 Though the sturdy oak has known  
 Many a wind that bowed her,  
 She has ris'n again and grown  
 Taller and prouder.  
 By easy work you beat,  
 Who the more will prize you?  
 Winning victory from defeat,  
 That's the test that tries you.



— Phoebe Gary

## New Words:

• sturdy—strong

• loftier—superior

## Reading Comprehension

### A. Complete the lines from the poem.

1. All that's good and great is done

Just by patient trying.

2. And the next time they can keep

Up a little longer.

3. She has ris'n again and grown

Loftier and prouder.

4. Gaining victory from defeat

That's the test that tries you

### B. Explain the sentences with reference to context.

1. If you've tried and have not won,

Never stop for crying;

2. Though young birds, in flying, fall,

Still their wings grow stronger,

3. If by easy work you beat,

Who the more will prize you?

### C. Answer the following

## Vocabulary Fun

D. Refer to the dictionary and find two synonyms each of the following words.

victory

Triumph

Win

defeat

Loss

Failure

sturdy

strong

Robust

young

youthful

Juniors

patient

Calm

Tolerant

great

Excellent

Wonderful

E. Look at the pictures below and write the words that come to your mind.



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- F. A preposition is a word that shows the relationship of a noun or pronoun with another noun or pronoun used in the sentence. It often tells us about the position of the two nouns.

For example: on, in, over, under

Underline the prepositions in the paragraph given below.

Birds have always proved to be a source of inspiration to man for building the flying machines. Birds can fly because of their streamlined body. Their wings help them move forward through the air. Understanding this principal led to the first success. Wilbur and Orville Wright were interested in flying since their childhood. They developed and tested their first glider to find the right shape for an aeroplane.

- G. Fill in the blanks using suitable prepositions.

1. She is studying in that room.
2. We drove slowly on the hill.
3. The children came running to the teacher.
4. Go on your right to reach the bakery.
5. How do I go in New Delhi at Pune?

- H. Frame sentences using the given nouns as verbs.

- trap The spider trapped the fly in its web.
- saw I saw a shooting star.
- sail We will sail across the lake tomorrow.
- wave She waves her hand to say hello.
- tie She tied the ribbons on wall.
- row She ate the raw carrot without cooking it.
- test The teacher will test the students tomorrow.