

Nasruddin's Aim

Word Meanings:

1. chatting- meaningless talk (present participle of chat)
2. boast- talking about oneself
3. archery- the practice or sport of shooting arrows with a bow.
4. skill- ability to do something well
5. match- a competitive sporting event between two persons or a team.
6. target- a mark to shoot at it
7. shoot- to fire a bullet from a gun or discharge an arrow from a bow
8. strung- hang something so that it stretches in a long line. (past form of string)
9. defending- to support by words
10. aim- pointing of a weapon
11. argued- to disagree or discuss viewpoints
12. remarked- observation
13. lucky- having good success
14. agape- in state of wonder
15. amazement- surprise
16. triumphantly- celebrating victory

Answer the following questions:

1. What was Nasruddin doing?
2. Who was boasting and about what?
3. How many times did Nasruddin take his aim?

4. Why were Nasruddin's friends laughing at him?

5. From the lesson Nasruddin's aim what have we learnt?

Question and Answers:

1. What did Nasruddin boast about?

Nasruddin boasted about his excellent skills in archery to his friends by telling them "No one can match my skill in archery."

2. Why did Nasruddin take someone else's name each time he missed the target?

Nasruddin took someone else's name each time he missed the target, so as to hide himself from the shame of not being able to aim the target. He was simply trying to defend himself by blaming others.

3. Why did Nasruddin say, "It was my aim," the third time?

Nasruddin said, "It was my aim," the third time because finally he was then able to aim the target successfully. Nasruddin kept on trying, luckily he took the shot.

4. Do you think Nasruddin was good at archery?

No, I don't think Nasruddin was not good at archery because he was not able to aim the target in his first and second turn. It was only in the third turn that he was able to aim the target fortunately.

Reference to Context:

1. "Here, Nasruddin! Take this bow and arrows."

a. From where is the above line taken from?

The above line is taken from the lesson "Nasruddin's Aim"

b. Who said these words?.

These words were told by Nasruddin's friend.

c. What was Nasruddin supposed to do with the bow and arrows?

He is asked to show his skill in archery.

d. synonym of the word 'bow and arrow'.

bow and arrow- a weapon consisting of arrows and the bow to shoot.

2. "Hey, Nasruddin! Is this your best aim?"

a. Who told these words?

It was told by Nasruddin's friends.

b. Why was this sentence asked by his friends?

It was asked because Nasruddin could not hit the target.

c. From where is the above line taken from?

The above line is taken from the lesson "Nasruddin's Aim".

d. synonym of the word 'aim'

aim- pointing of a weapon

3. "Well... Now who's next on the list?"

a. Why was this asked to Nasruddin ?

It was asked because he was defending himself by blaming others.

b. How many times did Nasruddin try to shoot?

He tried to shoot twice.

c. From where is the above line taken from?

The above line is taken from the lesson "Nasruddin's Aim".

d. Who asked Nasruddin the above line?

It was asked by his friend.

Complete the sentence with the correct present or past continuous tense:

1. One day Nasruddin _____ (chat) with his friends. (are, can, was)

2. His friends _____ (laugh) laughing. (are, is, could)

3. Nasruddin _____ (defend) himself. (was, may, had)

4. He _____ (boast) about himself. No one can match my skill in archery. (was, are, should)