

Dad and the Cat and the Tree

Get Going-A

1. Plan A - fell in the flower bed

Plan B - branch broke, fell on his back

Plan C - Landed on the cat and got stuck on the tree.

Q → How did dad try to save the cat the first time?

Ans → Dad tried to save the cat the first time by using a ladder to reach it.

3 → What was plan B?

Ans → Plan B was to swing himself up on a branch and reach the cat. However, the branch from which he was trying to swing broke and he landed back on the deck.

4) Describe plan C. Why did it fail?

Ans) Plan C was to climb the garden wall and jump onto the crook of the tree trunk where the cat was stuck. He executed the plan successfully and landed in the exact spot.

In fact he landed right on the cat. The cat yelped and jumped off the tree. Dad, however fit snug in the crook and got stuck there.

5) Find an idiom from the poem that means "extremely delighted".

Ans) An idiom is a word which means something different from its literal meaning. Idioms are

common terms whose meaning is changed,
but can be understood by their popular use.

Please as punch is an idiom used in the poem
that means "extremely delighted".

B 1) What kind of a person do you think that
was? Substantiate your answers with
lines from the poem.

Ans → I think that was an overconfident person
because every time mum warned him against
doing something he boldly answer back using
phases like "child's play this is!" and
"Easy as winking". ~~at~~ ^{the} same time

Dad is persistent because every time he fails he makes a different plan and tries ~~to~~ to execute it.

Q → What was Mum's role in this narrative? Did dad heed her advice?

Ans → Mum repeatedly tried to warn Dad of the possible dangers of climbing the tree but Dad didn't pay any heed to it.

C.1 → Which of the three plans do you think was the best? Why?

Ans → Plan C seems to be the best as he ~~wanted~~ was almost able to execute the plan successfully. It couldn't

be carried through because he landed directly on the cat which made the cat yelp and jump of the tree.

Q → What would you do if you had to help the cat?

Ans → I would have probably arranged for a ladder to reach the branch where the cat was stuck.

cheer somebody up; to make somebody happier

1. Identify the two-part verbs in the following sentences.

(a) My dad asked me to get the jackhammer back from our neighbours.

(b) What are you looking for?

(c) Are you opting for any new subjects this semester?

(d) Only after the third hint was the contestant able to catch on to the song.

2. Choose the correct two-part verbs from the box to complete the sentences.

put on brought up put off take down tried on

(a) It was so cold, I had to Put on a sweater and a jacket.

- (b) The matter will be brought up in the next committee meeting.
- (c) The players did not want to put off the match till the next day.
- (d) Take down the instructions for the game before you start.
- (e) She tried on a lot of dresses before she found the perfect one.

3. Fill in the blanks with appropriate two-part verbs.

- (a) Fill in the form carefully.
- (b) The children are going to set up the Christmas tree tonight.
- (c) We usually step into the ice cream parlour on our way back from the market.
- (d) Everyone in the house got up when the rooster started crowing.