A GOOD ATTITUDE IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN MONEY

apartment နာမည်
article စားဖန်
artist ဆိုင်ရွယ်
attitude စိုးရိုးအိုင်စာ
best quality ဒီမိုကရိတ်သည်
changed the pictures for a lot of
money ကျန်ရှိသည်
comments အမှတ်အသား
compare နာမည်
delicious စိုးဖြစ်
entered မြင့်မားစေ
fashionable ကျောင်းသား
friendly with each other ကျောင်းသား ကျောင်းသားအဖြစ်
judge စားဖန်သား
literature awards စာအုပ်အသိပညာရရှိ
magazine စားဖန်
material စားဖန်
meal စားဖန်
method စားဖန်

neighbor ဒါကျင်
own room ကျန်ရှိသည်
pointed out ကျန်ရှိသည်
professional ကျောင်းသား
profit ကျန်ရှိသည်
published ကျန်ရှိသည်
quality စိုးဖန်
shape စိုးဖန်
shortcomings စိုးဖန်
space စိုးဖန်
stair စိုးဖန်
symbol စိုးဖန်
thin စိုးဖန်
thinner and thinner စိုးဖန်
together စိုးဖန်
tried and tried စိုးဖန်သားစိုးဖန်
very fashionable စိုးဖန်သား
whispered စိုးဖန်သား
Pig and Sheep were neighbors. Sometimes they had delicious meals together. They were friendly with each other. Pig wanted to paint the best pictures. So he tried and tried. He painted everyday.

Sheep didn't want to do anything. He just liked sleeping.

Pig became thinner and thinner. But he was happy, because he could paint very good pictures. Then he changed the pictures for a lot of money. Now he was a rich pig. He thought, "I made a profit from my pictures. I will earn more money and buy the best quality new house and car."

One evening Sheep went to Pig's apartment for dinner. Pig showed him his best pictures and told him how much money he had made.

Sheep thought, "Pig has become an artist and now he has a lot of money, but I have nothing."

Sheep went back to his own room. He was alone. He stayed there, thinking all night. In the morning he got up early and started studying. From that day Sheep read books and wrote articles everyday.

One day Sheep invited poets from the Gangca Grassland. Small yak, big deer, clever rabbits, and lovely gazelles all came to Sheep's room. Sheep showed them his best poems and stories. Sheep said, "I want you to give me your professional opinion about my writing."

The small yak pointed out some shortcomings. One by one, they judged his work and compared it to other poet's articles.

Sheep welcomed their comments.

Two years later Sheep was a famous poet. He won many literature awards. Famous magazines published his writings. One day he went to visit his old neighbor, Pig. "He has done very well," Sheep thought. "He has bought a big space for a new house. And he has a very fashionable new car."

Then he entered Pig's house. After several minutes, Sheep left Pig's house. Sheep looked unhappy. Sheep whispered, "Pig has changed. He no longer has a good attitude. He is no longer friendly to me."

Sheep got back to the library in his home. He wrote an article. The name of the article was "A Good Attitude is More Important than Money."

Exercises

Write answers to the questions.

1] What did Pig want to do? __________________________________________________________

2] Do you like to work? Why, or why not? ______________________________________________
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3] Pig became thin, but he was happy. Why? _____________________________________________
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4] How did Pig earn a lot of money? ___________________________________________________

5] How do you earn money? _____________________________________________________________

6] How do your parents earn money? ___________________________________________________  

7] What did Pig want to buy? _________________________________________________________

8] If you had lots of money what would you do with it? _____________________________________
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9] Suddenly Sheep decided to study. Why? _______________________________________________________________________________________

10] Did you like to study? Why or why not? _________________________________________________________________________________________

11] Why did Sheep invite poets to his own room? _________________________________________________________________________________________

12] Who first pointed out shortcomings in Sheep's articles? ________________________________

13] Did you like to write articles? Why or why not? _______________________________________________________________________________________


15] Two years later Sheep became famous. Why? _______________________________________________________________________________________

16] Sheep thought, "Pig has done very well." Why did Sheep think this? ______________________________

17] Why did Sheep go to visit Pig? _________________________________________________________________________________________
18] Why was Sheep unhappy? _________________________________________________________

19] Which one is more important - attitude or money? Why do you think that?______________
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20] Did you like the text? Why or why not? ____________________________________________
__________________________________________________________________________________

Which sentence has the same meaning as the underlined sentence?

1 Sheep didn't want to do anything.
   a] Sheep was lazy.
   b] Sheep liked to work.
   c] Sheep and Pig always ate dinner together.
   d] Sheep liked to do everything.

2 Pig became thinner and thinner.
   a] Pig got married.
   b] Pig ate more and more.
   c] Pig lost weight.
   d] Pig became larger.

3 Then he changed the pictures for a lot of money.
   a] Sheep liked painting.
   b] Pig gave Sheep paintings and got money.
   c] All pictures are good.
   d] Pig sold his paintings and got much money.

4 "I made a profit from my pictures."
   a] "I am proud of my pictures."
   b] "I do not like money."
   c] "Money is important to me."
   d] "Profit is proud."

If the sentences are false, correct them and make them true.

1] One evening Pig went to Sheep's apartment.
2] Pig and Sheep both lived in a tent.
3] Pig showed Sheep his best pictures.
4] Sheep thought, "Pig has become a writer."
5] Sheep went home.
6] Sheep didn't sleep one night.
7] Sheep asked writers to come to his home.
8] The yak was very big.
9] After two years, Sheep was a famous painter.
10] Sheep thought attitude was very important.