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## SUMMARY

In this story the writer tells us about the first flight of young seagull He was alone on his ledge. His two brothers & one little sister whose wings were shorter than his had flown away but he had a phobia about flying. He had watched his parents flying about with his brothers & sister .Perfecting them in the art of flying. His parents was much worried about him He felt hungry He searched for food everywhere but failed to find anything to eat He tried to attract their attention. But all of them except his mother ignore him she tore at a piece of fish that lay at her feet. The sight of food maddened him. He loves to tear food that way He kept calling her plaintively. She picked up a piece of fish & flew to him with it. He leaned out eagerly .But when she was opposite to him she halted her legs hanging & wings motionless .the piece of fish within reach of his beak. He waited a downwards His mother had swooped upwards. A monstrous terror seized him. But it only lasted a moment .He felt his wings spread outwards. He could feel the tips of his wings cutting through the air. He flapped his wings & soared upwards. He uttered a joyous scream & tried to follow his mother. He felt safe in his flight & joined his family members. He was near the sea now around him his family was creaming praising him an their breaks were offering him scraps of dog fish.

## EXERCISE

### Question answers.

**Q1. What is the young seagull afraid of?**

**Ans.** The young seagull is afraid of flying over the great expanse of sea .He feels certain that his wing will never support him in remaining in the air & he will fall down to the sea .

**Q2. Why don't his parents, his brothers & sister give him food?**

**Ans.** They don't give him food because they want to force him to fly in search of food for himself.

**Q3. What does his mother force him to fly?**

**Ans.** His mother took a piece of fish & fly towards him when she became just opposite to him he didn't come closer to him then maddened of food make him to dive at fish. Thus in this way the mother do a great trick with him & forced him to fly & searched food for himself.

**Q4. What does he feel when he finally flaps his wings & finds that he is not falling?**

**Ans.** Finally, when he flaps his wings & find that he is not drowning he utter a joyous scream & when he became excited he raises his breath & flap his wings again & again more faster & bank against the wind.

**Q5. What is the significant about the bird's first flight?**

**Ans.** The significant thing about the bird's first flight is the cleverness of his mother that impels him to make the virgin flight of his life. Her act implies that love and wisdom of elder can play an important role in removing the fears of the younger. Secondly, parents love their children very much. They always take care of them. We know that the mother seagull is worried about the young one. She acts wisely & encourages him to fly.

**Q6. What lesson do you learn from the simple story?**

**Ans.** The lesson that we derive from the simple story is this. We can do perform any task that appears to be difficult provided we are willing to take the risk of failure. We can certainly achieve any goal that others have achieved . We should have strong will power to perform any challenging task in our life. if we do hard work in our life we can win our goal like the seagull.

**Q7. Why is it difficult to do something for the first time?**

**Ans.** It is difficult to do something for the first time because a man thinks that he will not be able to do it properly. He asked confidence He fears that if he did it. It may lead to some lose or danger. He does not take the first step. He may be successful or may fail. He has complex feeling. Taking first step may difficult for some people & easy for others. Some people are full of confidence & some lack confidence. All people are not equal in this world. But we should try to build up our confidence & face the challenges.

**Q8. Have you ever found yourself in a situation in which you were supposed to do something for the first time & you couldn't muster up courage to do it?**

**Ans.** Yes, once I went with my friends to Harnoi & There we went to a nearby river. There they all began to plunge into the water & swimming. I was asked to do swimming but this was my first time, so I refused to n swim. They pushed me into the water but still I came out again & couldn't muster up courage to swim in the water.

## QUESTION # 9

Are the following **TRUE (T)** or **FALSE (F)**?

- a) The young seagull had never been off his ledge before      T
- b) His sister was smaller than him      T
- c) The young seagull fell off the ledge into the water      F
- d) The seagull's family was afraid that he would drown      F