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E-Notes (Communicative English)

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Chapter-1

Topics: 'Standing up for yourself'.

Introducing the Author:-

- ⇒ Yevgeniy Aleksandrovich Yevtushenko,
- ⇒ He was born in 1933 & died on 2017.
- ⇒ He was a Russian poet, novelist, dramatist, screen writer, actor, editor, & director of films.

Unit-1

- ⇒ Have you ever come across a child deserted by parents?
- ⇒ How does he/she grow up?
- ⇒ Who looks after his/her education?

Unit-11

- ⇒ Do you think the narrator was scared of someone in particular?

Unit-III

- ⇒ Does the narrator have an encounter with Red?
- ⇒ How many times did he come across Red?
- ⇒ What was the outcome of his encounters with Red?

Unit-IV

- ⇒ Fear of Red or his cowardice: which was more important for the narrator to deal with?

Chapter-1 (Standing up for yourself)

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Questions with answers:-

Unit-1, II, III & IV

Q.1. Does the narrator have happy experiences in his childhood? why / why not?

Ans! The Narrator has both happy & unhappy experiences in his childhood. His parents were divorced. His mother left him. These circumstances made him lonely. The street became his teacher. He cultivated all bad habits. Another good habit he developed was the spirit of fearlessness which he has kept in tact till today.

Q2. What was his relationship with his father?

Ans! The narrator's father lived somewhere in Kazakhstan with his new wife & their two children. Seldom he got letters from his father. In short, there was no genuine relationship between father & son.

Q3. What in your opinion was the best lesson that the street taught to the writer?

Ans! In my opinion, the best lesson that the street taught to the writer was habit of fearlessness. It taught him not to be afraid of anyone.

Q4. What made Red look older than he really was?

Ans! His big & broad shoulder made Red look older than he really was.

Q5. How did Red dress himself?

Ans: He dressed himself in a peculiar manner. He put on a cap from under his cap, the writer noticed its peak at the back of his head.

Q6. How did Red rule the street?

Ans: He ruled the street by stopping anybody & saying simply but firmly nothing but the one word 'money'. His hangers-on emptied his pockets, and they beat him ruthlessly in case he resisted.

Q7. How did the people in the street respond to the poem?

Ans: The people in the street learnt the poem by heart. They were filled with great joy and excitement. Their hatred for Red ruled the roost.

Q8. Explain the expression - triumphant hatred.

Ans: The narrator's poem about Red filled the people in the street with great joy & excitement. They gave up their fear of Red, expressed their hatred for him with great satisfaction.

Q9. How did Red sneer the narrator?

Ans: Red addressed the narrator as a poet slowly with mischievous smile on his face. He commented sarcastically that at last he wrote verses & asked if they rhymed.

Q10. What was the result of his second encounter with Red?

Ans: The result of his second encounter with Red was his determination to defeat fear of Red despite suffering shame & experiencing futile anger at his cowardice.