

Chapter - 6

My Childhood

Word	Meaning
Erstwhile	former
Innate	inborn (a quality or feeling's in one's nature)
Austere	Simple, Strict and Severe
princely sum	generous amount
Anna	an old Indian coin, worth about six paise
Allied forces	the armies of U.K, U.S.A and Russia
Could not stomach	could not tolerate
downcast	Sad or depressed
Conviction	a strong opinion or belief
Ritually poor	Kept protected from all outside influences for the observances of religion.

Question/Answers -

Ques- Describe the child's Abdul's house in Rameshwaram.

Ans- Abdul's house in Rameshwaram was their ancestor's house built in the middle of the 19th century. It was a large pucca house, made of lime stone and brick on the Mosque Street in Rameshwaram.

Ques- How does Abdul Kalam describe his mother.

Ans- His mother was an idle wife who taught him to be gentle and kind. She was generous and fed many outsiders at their home everyday. She was a lady with a generous heart and true kindness which Kalam himself learnt.

Ques- How did Second world war give an opportunity to Kalam to earn his first wages?

Ans- During the days of the Second world war, Kalam helped his cousin to collect bundles of newspapers to throw on the road from the running train. He was given wages for this task. Also, there was an unexpected demand of tamarind seed which he sold and got money in exchange of it.

Ques- Do you think the new teacher deserve the treatment meted out to him? Why? Why not?

Ans- Yes, he deserved it. Spreading poisonous thoughts of communal intolerance in a serious crime. A teacher in a school is such a mean act, he deserves no sympathy. Therefore he was given amount of Rs 1000. Seething the parents which put him on the secret path.

Ques- What did Abdul Kalam's family do during the Annual State Kalayam Ceremony?

Ans- During the annual Shree Siddharam Kalayaram ceremony, Kalam's family would arranged for guest lunch with a special for the platform. Scanning the idea of the temple from the temple to the middle Site situated in the middle of the pond as called as ~~Ram~~ Ram. Rama Tirtha

Ques- How was Science teaches Shiva Subramanya given thought an orthodox Brahmin with a very conservative wife, be a friend of Abdul Kalam?

Ans- Science is what we see based on reason and rational. There is no room for anything, there is without both desire of religion and rationality. The business of religion a religious reason and the life of it are nothing but irrationality. Shiva, who was a Science teacher, believe the same way when he invited Abdul for dinner, his wife refused him to serve him. feed with her own hands. Shiva Subramanyam did not upset

to wife. He served food by his own hands and did not angry to upset to his wife. When he come, then his house next week, then his wife took him to her own kitchen and served food with her own hands.