

Passage 2:

Helen Keller was a very bright and beautiful girl. At the age of six months, she could already say a few words. But before she was two years old, she was badly ill. She could not see or hear, and soon she could not even talk. Since then, Helen had to fight for what she wanted.

When she was six, her parents invited a teacher for her. With the help of the teacher, she began to see and hear the world around her through her hands. She learned to read the books for the blind. The teacher took Helen for long walks, and told her about all the beautiful sights. Helen touched flowers, climbed trees and smelt a storm before it came. She also learned how to swim and ride a horse.

After she grew up, she became a famous writer in America. Her first and most famous book is *The Story of My Life*. Her story brought new hope to many blind and deaf people. It gave light to those in darkness and encouraged them to live and work.

Question 1. What is the main idea of the passage?

- A. Helen Keller learned to read and write with the help of her teacher.
- B. Helen Keller overcame her disabilities and became an inspiration to many.
- C. Helen Keller's first book, "The Story of My Life," was a great success.
- D. Helen Keller enjoyed spending time with her teacher in nature.

Question 2. Why couldn't Helen see or hear later?

- A. Helen was badly ill.
- B. She had a traffic accident.
- C. Helen was very tired.
- D. She became very lazy.

Question 3. How could Helen begin to see and hear the world around her?

- A. with the help of her father
- B. through her feet
- C. with the help of her parents
- D. with the help of her teacher

Question 4. The word "it" in paragraph 2 refers to

- A. a sight
- B. a book
- C. a tree
- D. a storm

Question 5. What gave light to those in darkness and encouraged them to live and work?

- A. their teacher's help
- B. Helen's story
- C. their parents' help
- D. Helen's songs