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Weekend Worksheet – IV

ENGLISH

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Read the following passage and answer the following

BRUCE AND THE SPIDER

There was once a king of Scotland whose name was Robert Bruce. He needed to be both brave and wise, for the times in which he lived were wild and rude. The King of England was at war with him, and had led a great army into Scotland to drive him out of the land.

Battle after battle had been fought. Six times had Bruce led his brave little army against his foes and six times had his men been beaten, and driven into flight. At last his army was scattered, and he was forced to hide himself in the woods and in lonely places among the mountains.

One rainy day, Bruce lay on the ground under a rude shed, listening to the patter of the drops of rain on the roof above him. He was tired and sick at heart, and ready to give up all hope. It seemed to him that there was no use for him to try to do anything more.

As he lay thinking, he saw a spider over his head, making ready to weave her web. He watched her as she toiled slowly and with great care. Six times she tried to throw her frail thread from one beam to another, and six times it fell short.

Poor thing!" said Bruce: "you, too, know what it is to fail."
But the spider did not lose hope with the sixth failure. With still more care, she made ready to try for the seventh time. Bruce almost forgot his own troubles as he watched her swing herself out upon the slender line. Would she fail again? No! The thread was carried safely to the beam, and fastened there.

"I, too, will try a seventh time!" cried Bruce. He arose and called his men together. He told them of his plans, and sent them out with messages of cheer to his disheartened people. Soon there was an army of brave Scotchmen around him. Another battle was fought, and the King of England was glad to go back into his own country.

I have heard it said that, after that day, no one by the name of Bruce would ever hurt a spider. The lesson which the little creature had taught the king was never forgotten.

1. Who was Robert Bruce?

**2. How many times did Robert Bruce fight against the king of England and
What happened in the battle?**

3. What did Robert Bruce observe as he was lying in the woods?

4. What did Robert Bruce learn from the spider's actions?

Fill in the blanks with the comparative form of the words given in brackets:

1. I am _____ (tall) than my sister.
- 2 I want to have _____ (big) car.
3. A blue whale is _____ (heavy) twenty-five elephants.
4. You look _____ (thin) than last month. Have you lost weight?
5. Bicycles are _____ (slow) than cars.
6. Computers are _____ (cheap) than mobile phones.
7. Is your brother _____ (tall) than you?
8. I think Spanish is _____ (easy) than Japanese
9. Our dog is _____ (nice) than your dog.
10. Glass bottles are _____ (good) than plastic bottles.
11. Sharks are _____ (dangerous) than other fish
- 12Mount Everest is _____ (high) mountain in the world.
13. The sea is _____ (large) than a lake.
14. My job is _____ (easy) than yours.
15. London is the _____ (big) city in England.
16. This car is _____ (comfortable) than yours.
17. He is the _____ (rich) man in town.
18. I am _____ (strong) than you.