

CBSE TEST PAPER-01
Class - 12 English Core (Going Places)

General Instruction:

- Question No. 1 to 7 carry Three marks,
 - Question No. 8 to 10 carry Six marks.
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1. Why is Sophie attracted to Danny Casey?
2. How are Jansie and Sophie different from each other?
3. Why did Sophie long for her brother's affection?

OR

Why did Sophie like her brother Geoff more than any other person?

4. Did Geoff keep up his promise? How do you know?

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Did Geoff keep his promise to Sophie? How do you know?

5. Why was Sophie jealous of Geoff's silence?
6. Why did Sophie not want Jansie to know anything about her meeting with Danny?
7. Did Sophie really meet Danny Casey? Which was the only occasion when Sophie got to see Danny Casey in person?
8. How did Sophie's father react when Geoff told him about her meeting with Danny Casey?
9. Has Sophie met Danny Casey? What details of her meeting with Danny Casey did she narrate to her brother?
10. Contrast Sophie's real world with her fantasies.

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Answers

1. Danny Casey is a young and successful football player from Ireland. He is also quite handsome, which adds to his popularity among his fans, especially young girls of Sophie's age. Naturally, Sophie is attracted to him. Besides, her family members are also huge football fans and Casey is a hero for them.
2. Jansie and Sophie have contrasting characters and have different approaches towards life altogether. Jansie is quite practical and her feet are grounded in reality, whereas Sophie is a daydreamer and lives in an imaginary world. Jansie is mature and accepts the truth that people of their stature can only become workers in a biscuit factory. On the other hand, Sophie tries to escape from reality and dreams of becoming an actress, a manager or a fashion designer.
3. Sophie found in her brother, Geoff, to be a patient listener to all her fantasies and also as a person one she could confide in. The other members of her family and even her friend Jansie made fun of her fantastic stories. This made her quite fond of Geoff. She also looked upon Geoff as someone widely travelled. His world remained a fascination for her and she longed that someday he might take her there.
4. Geoff didn't keep his promise to Sophie. Sophie told Geoff about her meeting with Danny Casey at the Royce's and asked him to keep it a secret by not telling anyone else. Geoff told the story to Frank who in turn told his sister, Jansie, about it. However, Geoff never revealed the full story, as he did not tell anyone about Sophie's supposed date with Danny Casey.
5. Geoff never spoke much. Sophie always pondered over the areas of his life which he never talked about. His world remained a fascination for her. She felt that when he was not speaking, his mind was away at some unknown place, and so she felt jealous of him.
6. Sophie did not want Jansie to know anything about her meeting with Danny Casey because she knew that Jansie was a blabber mouth. The moment Jansie knew of someone's secret, the whole neighborhood would get to know of it. Sophie did not want to be ridiculed before others.
7. No, Sophie has never really met Danny Casey. She has just seen Danny Casey on the field when she went to watch team United play a football match with family. There, she was

one of the spectators and could see Casey playing only from a distance. However, Sophie lives in an imaginary world. Casey was a young sport star and Sophie worshipped him as her hero. Her meeting with Casey was one of her wild fantasies.

8. Sophie's father is a realist to the core. He does not believe in Sophie's story at all and dismisses it as another of her wild fantasies. When Geoff tells him about Sophie's chance encounter with Danny Casey, the Irish prodigy, he expresses 'disdain' and doesn't believe in her story. When Sophie said that Danny was going to buy a shop, her father grimaced and asked, where had she heard that. He also felt that she would talk herself 'into a load of trouble' and said that Geoff didn't believe her even though he'd like to. He changes the topic by saying that he once knew a man who knew another famous English footballer named Tom Finney. He warns Sophie that such concocted stories would land her into trouble some day.

9. No, Sophie has never really met Danny Casey. She has just seen Danny Casey on the field when she went to watch team United play a football match. There, she was one of the spectators and could see Casey play only from a distance. However, Sophie lives in an imaginary world. Casey was a young sports star and Sophie worshipped him as her hero. Her meeting with Casey was just another of her wild fantasies. She was so engrossed in her daydreams that what she imagined seemed real to her.

Sophie told her brother Geoff that she met Casey near Royce's. As she was looking at the clothes, Casey came and stood beside her. She wanted to take his autograph for her younger brother Derek, but neither of them had a pen or paper. Casey then suggested that they could meet again next week, and then he would also give his autograph.

10. The story 'Going Places' is a journey into the dream world of the protagonist, a schoolgirl named Sophie who drifts from one dream to another. The world of dreams is so fascinating for her that even her wildest thoughts can find refuge in it. Sophie finds the reality of her life too harsh to accept. She belongs to a lower middle-class family where nobody encourages her to dream of better prospects. Still she dreams of owning the best boutique, becoming a manager in some store or at other times becoming an actress or a fashion designer.

In her dream world, she visits the Royce's, meets Danny Casey, the sports icon, and even fixes up a date with him. It's all in her mind but she considers it to be true and actually waits for him to show up at a specified spot and time. The flight of her imagination is such that it flips from one dream to another, from one place to the other.