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Answers Key:

Answer the Following Questions in about 40-50 words

1. Mr Herriot was tempted to keep Tricki as a permanent guest as he and his friend's enjoyed eggs for breakfast and wine and brandy for lunch. He, therefore calls it a happy period.
2. The story, "A Triumph of Surgery" is a powerful example of the importance of saying no when it comes to making decisions that affect the health and well-being of others, whether it be for pets or for people.
   Mrs Pumphrey's love and indulgence for her dog, Tricki, leads to the dog becoming severely overweight and unhealthy.
   Despite Herriot's advice to put Tricki on a diet and exercise regimen, Mrs Pumphrey is unable to say 'no' and abstain from overfeeding the dog - Tricki becomes seriously ill due to his weight and unhealthy habits.
   The story, thus, highlights the fact that sometimes, the best way to help someone is to say no and steer them towards a better path, even if it may be uncomfortable or unpopular in the moment.
3. The impact of these goodies on the household was that they led to a period of indulgence and luxurious living. The household members, including the doctor and his partners, enjoyed the extra eggs, wine, and brandy. It added a sense of festivity to their daily routines, with lunch becoming a ceremonial occasion and evenings by the fire becoming more enjoyable.
4. Herriot's strict advice was to cut down Tricki's diet and give him a lot of water and more exercise to avoid illness. But Mrs Pumphrey did not pay heed to his advice. She made an excuse that Tricki seemed so weak that she had to relent and could not refuse him.
5. Mrs Pumphrey was an extremely rich lady but was foolishly indulgent in pampering her dog, Tricki. She served him cream cakes, chocolates and cod liver oil. She did so because she treated Tricki like her son.
6. Dr Herriot knew his patients as well as their owners really well. Dr Herriot could understand the problems of his patients (dogs) just by observing them. When he saw Tricki in the market, he understood that the dog required help.
   He, understood the owner (Mrs Pumphrey) also very well. Even though he knew fully well that she was responsible for Tricki's pathetic condition yet he never spoke any harsh and advising words on the seriously obese dog. He truly understood her love for her loving dog.
7. After he went back to Mrs Pumphrey, Tricki would be very happy. As a result, Mrs Pumphrey must have taken good care of the dog by not overfeeding so that Tricki would stay as healthy as at the end of the story.
8. The above line shows the narrator's concern about Tricki. When the narrator saw the dog after a long time it was really in bad health. And when the narrator asked Mrs Pumphrey about her diet and exercises, she made excuses which showed that was not following it.
9. She was overfeeding Tricki; being overindulgent she needed to cut down Tricki's food intake to help him regain his health (be cruel to be kind)
10. Strength gets accumulated after facing struggles in one's life. If the person does not face any challenges in his life, he will remain weak forever. In the same way, when Mrs Pumphrey had to stay away for a long time, she understood the true worth of Tricki and good health for him.
11. Mrs. Pumphrey loved her dog too much. She treated him like her own son. She could never refuse to give Tricki whatever he demanded. In fact, she had made assumptions about Tricki's likes and dislikes as she couldn't understand that Tricki needed a controlled diet rather than sweets and drinks.
12. Mrs Pumphrey had started sending around two dozen of fresh eggs at a time to build up Tricki's strength. She also started sending bottles of wine along with Brandy. Tricki wasn't supposed to have any of these, so these were enjoyed by the narrator and his companions. Thus, the narrator was tempted to keep Tricki as a permanent guest.
13. Mrs Pumphrey was worried about Tricki as Tricki was not eating anything, not even his favourite dishes. Tricki was vomiting and lying down on the rug, panting. He did not even want to go out for walks or anything.
14. With all of us confined to the four walls of our homes for our own safety, exercise is lacking as we are missing out on work and our regular routine. If we continue to stay inactive, it can take a toll on our health, both physical and mental. It could lead to weight gain, increasing blood pressure and even depression. To tackle this, healthy diet consists of salads and homemade food should be consumed, and regular exercise must be done within the safety of our homes, to emerge outfitter than before when the threat of this pandemic is removed.
15. Pampering may be good, but only to a certain limit. It can veer in either direction and more often than not, can lead to children being spoilt. They may start taking things for granted and may lose respect for elders and have a casual lifestyle. He won't be sympathetic and empathetic, which are the qualities that every person must possess. He may become lazy, selfish and arrogant, and deride those less fortunate than him. Hence, being protective is fine and a human instinct, but being over-protective can spell doom for the offspring.