

Why Boys Fail In College

Q1. According to the author there are some boys who fail because they do not try. Who are they? Can we help them?

Ans. According to the author there are boys who do not take interest in their studies. They do not attend their classes regularly and waste their time in other extra or co-curricular activities. By guiding and making them realize their duties, we can put them to studies. Teachers as well as parents can persuade the students and save them from failure.

Q2. How do mistaken ambition on part of boys and their parents lead to failure of the boys?

Ans. The parents do not take into account the potentials and abilities of their children. They impose their own will on them. They choose the subjects by themselves. The children dislike them and eventually fail. The parents should consider the likings and disliking of their children. They should let their children study the subjects of their own choice.

Q3. There are some boys who have done well at school but fail to make their mark at college. Who are they? Do you have such boys in college in your country?

Ans. There is a hell of a difference between school and college syllabus. The students, who did well in the school, think that they can get through the college examination without effort. They do not realize that college exams are more difficult and tricky than school exams. We have many boys of this kind in our schools. They misjudge their abilities and become over-confident.

Q4. How does financial pressure lead to failure of the students described in the lesson? Do you have similar cases in your country?

Ans. There are many boys who work hard and do one or two jobs to continue their studies. They have to work for eight hours daily and fail in the examination. The parents should bear all the expenses because they are responsible for their being here. There are many cases of such boys in our country who do part time jobs to meet both ends meet.

Q5. To what extent does the question of health lead to failure at college? How far can the college authorities with their medical officers help students in such cases?

Ans. A boy's physical or mental health may lead to failure. The college authorities should arrange a regular medical test for the students. They can stop such cases by advising the parents and urging them to provide the proper medical treatment to their children. A college may appoint a doctor to diagnose such cases.

Q6. What place would you accord to sportsmen in colleges?

Ans. Sportsmen and athletes should not be so absorbed in their games. They should also pay heed to their studies. If they are so absorbed in their games they should leave the college and become professionals. The main aim of college is to impart education. Games are arranged for physical and mental health of students so that they may take active part in their studies.

Q7. There are some students who join college for the fun of it. Should they be allowed to stay?

Ans. The students who join college for fun spoil other students. Such students should be rusticated. In this way, we can save other students from their influence. According to the author, "It is usually wise to let them retire to the cold world...sometimes they learn their lesson and return to do first rate work."