

Read the poem. Then answer each question.

Don't Give Up

If you've tried and have not won,
Never stop for crying;
All that's great and good is done
Just by patient trying.

Though young birds, in flying, fall,
Still their wings grow stronger;
And the next time they can keep
Up a little longer.

Though the sturdy oak has known
Many a blast that bowed her,
She has risen again, and grown
Loftier and prouder.

If by easy work you beat,
Who the more will prize you?
Gaining victory from defeat --
That's the test that tries you!



Questions:

1. What is 'done by patient trying'?

2. What happens to young birds when they fly?

3. What does the sturdy oak do after being bowed?

4. What is the test that tries you?

Answers:

1. What is 'done by patient trying'?
All that's great and good is done by patient trying.
2. What happens to young birds when they fly?
When young birds fly they fall.
3. What does the sturdy oak do after being bowed?
The sturdy oak has risen again, and grown loftier and prouder.
4. What is the test that tries you?
Gaining victory from defeat is the test that tries you.