

Chapter 2 The Wizard of hockey

Write the meanings of the following words:

- 1) transferred : moved from one place to another
- 2) fronds : long leaves divided into parts along the edge.
- 3) regiment: a large group of soldiers.
- 4) infantry: a branch of army that fights on foot.
- 5) Subedar: a rank in the Indian army.
- 6) opponents: players in the opposite team.
- 7) Major: a rank in the Indian army.
- 8) limelight: focus of public attention.

-----  
Reference to context-----page no 34

2) Young Dhyan did not show any special interest in sports, though he loved wrestling. In fact, his hockey career had quite an ordinary beginning.

Q a) Which sport did Dhyan enjoy when he was young?

A a) Dhyan Chand enjoyed wrestling when he was young.

Q b) Why is the beginning of Dhyan Chand's hockey career described as ordinary?

A b) The beginning of Dhyan Chand's hockey career is described as ordinary because he and his friends used to play hockey for fun. They played with makeshift hockey sticks made of date palm leaves and balls made from old rags.

Q c) Who first encouraged Dhyan Chand to play hockey seriously?

A c) It was Subedar-Major Bhole Tiwari who saw Dhyan Chand's talent and encouraged him to play hockey seriously.

---