The Destiny Short Story Questions and Answers

1. Where did the old man live?

The old man lived in a small village in the mountains in the middle of China.

Script Reference: "an old man lived in a small village in the mountains in the middle of China"

2. What was the relationship between the old man and the young man?

The old man had a son that he loved very much.

Script Reference: "he had a son that he loved very much"

3. How did the villagers feel about the old man's situation?

The villagers felt sorry for the old man's situation.

Script Reference: "the villagers often came over to the old man's house and told him how sorry they were that his son was not there to help him"

4. What did the old farmer say when the villagers expressed their concern about his son?

The old farmer said, "bad luck or good luck, who knows."

Script Reference: "bad luck or good luck, who knows"

5. What happened to the farmer's horse?

The farmer's horse ran away.

Script Reference: "the farmer's son left the stable door open and the horse ran away"

6. How did the old man's son find the horse?

The old man's son found the horse quietly eating grass next to a wild horse.

Script Reference: "the son went to look for it... he found their horse quietly eating grass next to a wild horse"

7. What was the reaction of the villagers when the son brought back the horse?

The villagers were very happy and said, "your good luck has come back again."

Script Reference: "they were very happy for the farmer... your good luck has come back again"

8. What accident happened to the old man's son while taming the wild horse?

The old man's son fell from the wild horse and broke his leg.

Script Reference: "the old man's son fell from the wild horse's back to the ground and broke his leg"

9. How did the villagers react to the son breaking his leg?

The villagers expressed their sorrow for the son breaking his leg.

Script Reference: "the people of the village came to the farmer's house to say how sorry they were"

10. What significant event occurred in the village related to the war?

Soldiers arrived looking for men to fight in the war, and the young men had to leave for the war.

Script Reference: "one day some soldiers arrived in the village... all the young men in the village had to become soldiers in the Army and leave for the war"