



INDIAN SCHOOL NIZWA - WORKSHEET

ENGLISH If I Were You

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Class: IX ____

Extract Based Questions

Question No.1

At last, a sympathetic audience?

(i) *Who says this?*

(ii) *Why did he say this?*

(iii) *Is he sarcastic or serious?*

Ans.

(i) Gerrard says these words.

(ii) He said these words to calm down the volatile situation and win the confidence of the intruder

(iii) He is sarcastic.

Question No.2 Why does the intruder choose Gerrard as the man whose identity he wants to take on?

Answer

The intruder is a murderer who has killed a policeman. The police are after him. His physical features have a close resemblance with those of Gerrard. He wants to kill Gerrard and live comfortably as Gerrard.

Question No. 3 "I said it with bullets"?

(i) *Whose says these words?*

(ii) *What does it mean?*

(iii) *It is the truth? Why does the speaker say this?*

Ans.

(i) Gerrard says these words.

(ii) It means that Gerrard has fired at someone and killed him.

(iii) The statement is not the truth.

He only wants to befool the intruder. He tries to prove to him that he too is a criminal.

Question No.4 What is Gerrard's profession? Quote the parts of the play to support your answer?

Ans. He works for the theatre. The quotation that supports the answer is. "I can't let you have the props in time for rehearsal".

Question No.5 You will soon stop being smart.



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- (i) *Who says this?*
- (ii) *Why does the speaker say it?*
- (iii) *What according to the speaker will stop Gerrard from being smart?*

Answer

- (i) The intruder says these words.
- (ii) He says it because Gerrard does not fear him and he turns the difficult situation into a comedy.
- (iii) The intruder warns Gerrard that he would make him crawl.

Long Answer Questions

Question.1 Write the character sketch of Gerrard.

OR

How does Gerrard save his own life?

Answer

Gerrard was an intelligent, smart and witty person. He has a presence of mind and was brave. He does not feel panic in confronting the vicious intruder in his house. Rather he daringly begins a witty conversation with him in a humorous way. He stretches his argument to such an extent that the intruder comes to believe that police is always running after Gerrard to trap him. He makes the intruder believe that he will be surely hanged at last, if not as intruder then perhaps as Gerrard. At last, he very smartly snatches his revolver from the intruder and locks him into the cupboard. In this way, he saved his own life.

Question 2. Justify the title of the play " If I Were You".

Answer. The story of the play revolves around the intruder's wish and design to impersonate Gerrard, that is, however not fulfilled at the end. The title very appropriately conveys the sense of unfulfilled wish and the impersonation attempts. Therefore, it is perfectly a suitable title to the play.