



INDIAN SCHOOL NIZWA - WORKSHEET

ENGLISH THE BROWNING VERSION

Name: _____

Date: _____

Class: XI Sec: ____

SHORT QUESTIONS

- 1 **What does Mr. Frank suggest Taplow to do because Mr. Crocker Harris is ten minutes late?**
Ans. Frank asked Taplow not to wait for Mr. Crocker Harris and play golf but Taplow is really shocked and is afraid that Mr. Crocker Harris may follow him home or do something else.
- 2 **Why does Mr. Frank envy Mr. Crocker Harris?**
Ans. Mr. Frank envies Mr. Crocker Harris for the effect he has on the boys in the class. Mr. Crocker Harris does not tell the results before they are officially announced. And in spite of making students take extra work they still like Mr. Crocker Harris.
- 3 **Which incident does Taplow narrate to prove the fact that Crocker Harris does not like 'being liked'?**
Ans. Taplow narrates the incident about one day when Mr. Crocker Harris made one of his classical jokes in the class which no one understood. Taplow laughed out of politeness. Instead of feeling thankful, Mr. Crocker Harris asked Taplow to explain the joke to the class. This incident proved that Mr. Crocker Harris did not like 'being liked'.
- 4 **How does Millie Crocker Harris send Taplow away?**
Ans. On seeing Taplow, Millie Crocker Harris points out that her husband was at the Bursar's so he could go away for a quarter of an hour. But Taplow does not move. Millie assures him that she would take the blame. She takes out a prescription and requests him to bring some medicines from the chemist for her.

LONG ANSWER TYPE QUESTIONS

- 5 **What do you gather about Crocker-Harris from the play?**
Ans. Crocker-Harris is a very strict and disciplined teacher. It is his last day at school. He is leaving the school for good. Yet he gives extra work to Taplow who is one of his students. Taplow has missed a day during the week. Crocker wants him to make it up. So he gives him extra work. He tells Taplow that he would come and see his work. Thus we see how strict Crocker is. His students are afraid of him, but they don't dislike him. Their fear is tinged with respect, not with hatred. He never does any favour or disfavour to a student. He gives what one deserves. He never does anything that goes against the rules of the school. We can say he is an ideal teacher.
- 6 **Give a brief character-sketch of Taplow.**
Ans. Taplow is a student of Mr. Crocker-Harris. He has to stay behind even on the last day of the school. Mr. Crocker-Harris has given him extra work to do because he had been ill for a day during the week and missed the class. It is already very late. Mr. Crocker-Harris has not come yet. But Taplow is afraid of Crocker. He dare not leave the class until Crocker comes. Although he is afraid of Crocker, he doesn't dislike him. He laughs at Crocker's poor joke only out of respect. We can say that Taplow is a very obedient student.
- 7 **Compare and contrast the characters of Mr. Crocker-Harris and Frank.**
Ans. Crocker-Harris and Frank are both teachers in Taplow's school. But they are poles apart in their characters. Crocker is a very strict teacher. He is a man of discipline. He has his own principles. He is true to his duty. He never does any favour or disfavour to his students. On the other hand Frank is not true to his duty. He teaches science. He himself does not like the subject he teaches, but he calls his students slackers. He is jealous of Crocker. He encourages Taplow to say things against Crocker and mock at him. It does not behave a teacher to encourage a student against another teacher. In trying to degrade Crocker-Harris he degrades himself only.



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