



**LESSON 01: FOOT PRINTS WITHOUT FEET**

**Q1. How would you assess Griffin as a scientist?**

**Ans.** No doubt, Griffin was a brilliant scientist because he discovered that human body could be made transparent by taking some rare drugs. But he was not called a true scientist because instead of using his discovery for the upliftment and betterment of the society, he misused it.

Going through the proceedings of the lesson, he became arsonist, taking the full advantage of his discovery; he set fire in his landlord's house. He was short tempered and spoken lies. He lacked a human heart. He used bad means and created terror in people. He did a lot of mischief and used the discovery only for his personal gains and struck terror in the heart of others, thus he cannot be called a true scientist.

**Q2. The two boys in London were surprised and fascinated, why?**

**Ans.** The two boys in London were surprised and fascinated because they saw the muddy imprints of a pair of bare feet but could not see the man who was leaving these fresh imprints. They tried to guess who this man could be and what he was doing or where he was going. This entire act fascinated and surprised them.

**Q3. What did he do inside the shop?**

**Ans.** Griffin gave himself every possible pleasure of clothing and feeding without regard of expense. Inside the shop he broke open the boxes and wrappers and wore shoes, warm clothes, an over coat, and a hat. From the kitchen of the restaurants, he took meat and coffee and continued his meal with sweets and wine. Then he slept on a heap of quilts.

**Q4. How he escaped from London store?**

**Ans.** Griffin did not wake up in time the next morning. So, when the assistants opened the store he saw them approaching towards him. He became nervous and was puzzled on seeing them and began to run away. The assistants followed him but he escaped from there by putting off his clothes and making his body transparent and invisible once again.

**Q5. He entered the shop of a theatrical company. What did he do there?**

**Ans.** When Griffin found a suitable shop of a theatrical company, he made his way. In the shop of the theatrical company, he wore bandages round his forehead. He also wore false nose, dark glasses, bushy whiskers and a large hat. Moreover, while going out he attacked the shopkeeper and robbed him with all the money he kept there.



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**Q6. Why was the arrival of this stranger in a village in an unusual event? Give two reasons.**

**Ans.** Firstly, the stranger had come to the village when nobody ever came there in midwinter without some purpose. Secondly, his appearance was unusual. He was wearing dark glasses, false nose and bushy whiskers. Moreover his face was covered with bandages. Thus stranger's arrival was likely to be unusual.

**Q7. How did scientist look when he came to inn?**

**Ans.** When Griffin came to the inn he was wearing false nose, bushy whickers dark glasses, wide- brimmed hat. Moreover, his face was covered with bandages. He looked like a strange and an unusual fellow.

**Q8. The landlord's wife was convinced that Griffin was an eccentric scientist. What made her think of Griffin in these terms?**

**Ans.** The landlord's wife was convinced that Griffin was an eccentric scientist because he arrived at the inn of a village of Iping during winter season. He paid some rent in advance. Further he had a strange appearance. In spite of friendly attitude, he did not want to talk to her. He wanted loneliness and did not want to be disturbed in his work.

**Q9. What was 'the curious episode' that took place in the clergyman's study?**

**Ans.** The clergyman and his wife heard noise in their study room which indicated that someone was stealing money from the Clergyman's desk. They heard chink of money. The Clergyman, well equipped with a stick crept down to deal with the situation. They opened the door at once and ordered the thief to surrender. They found nobody there. But the money was missing. Thus it was a curious thing that took place.

**Q10. The landlord and his wife were surprised to see the scientist's door wide open. Why were they surprised? What three extraordinary things happened in the room?**

**Ans.** The landlord and his wife were surprised to see the scientist's door wide open because it was unusually kept shut and locked and the scientist always felt irritation if anyone entered his room, as he preferred solitude.

Mrs. Hall could see no one in the room. Yet she heard a sniff close to her ear. Then a hat leapt up on bed post and dashed in to her face. After that a chair rose up into the air and charged towards Mrs. Hall's legs foremost. It pushed both Mrs. Hall and her husband out of the room. She felt that the room was haunted by some evil spirits.

**Q11. Mrs. Hall almost fell down the stairs in hysterics. Pick out an example of humor from what follows this incident.**

**Ans.** Mrs. Hall was left stunned and terrified by the strange incident. She was convinced that Griffin had caused spirits enter into her furniture. She was more worried about the chair, her



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deceased mother used to sit in. It gave her pain to think that the very chair of her mother should rise against her and attack her. This is a humorous inference.

**Q12. The scientist was furious. What did he do in anger? Why were the people inside the bar horrified?**

**Ans.** When the secret of the scientist's activities were likely to be disclosed by demanding Mrs. Hall, he became violent. In anger as we know a small prick could irritate him to do a damn thing. He suddenly threw off his bandages, whiskers and false nose. His head became invisible and he seemed to be a headless person. When the people in the bar saw a headless person standing in front of them, they were horrified and petrified.

**Q13. What happened to the constable?**

**Ans.** The constable had to arrest a headless man. It was a strange and horrifying task. However, he decided to arrest the criminal. But the headless man continued to resist. And when the constable tried hard to get hold of him, the headless man threw off his clothes and became invisible. Even then the constable struggled with the invisible criminal until he received a severe knock from nowhere and fell down unconscious.

**Q14. The scientist was a man of "irritable temper"? Give an example to prove this.**

**Ans.** Beyond a shadow of doubt, the scientist was a man of "irritable temper". It would be apt to say that irritable temper was one of the features that made Griffin a strange character. A small prick could irritate him to do any damn thing. We know that Mrs. Hall tried her level best to be friendly to him but he always avoided her. He once told her in her face that he has not come to listen to her rubbish but to have solitude. He was not ready to answer even a genuine question. When Mrs. Hall asked him to explain how he came out of an empty room and how he entered a locked room, he was so irritated that he became very furious. In a fit of anger, he threw off his bandages, whiskers, spectacles and false nose to show the people his real identity. As a result, he appeared a terrifying headless man. It was the result of his irritable temper.



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## (LESSON 2)

### EXCELLENT FATHER (Jane Austen)

1.	Slovenly	Dirtyly, Untidily
2.	Vacant	Empty
3.	Single	Bachelor
4.	Design	Plan
5.	Occasion	Reason or Cause
6.	Consent	Permission
7.	Flatter	To say nice things often not sincerely
8.	Compassion	Sympathy
9.	Intend	To Wish or desire
10.	Tiresome	Irritating, Boring



11.	Vex	To Irritate, Annoy
12.	Trim	To make neater, better by cutting parts
13.	Get over	To overcome
14.	Employed	Busy
15.	Scold	Rebuke, To Speak angrily
16.	Discretion	Freedom to decide what should be done
17.	Amusement	Fun
18.	Sick of	Tired of; fed up
19.	Acquaintance	Familiarity
20.	Astonishment	Surprise
21.	Surpass	Outdo



22.	Persuade	Motivate
23.	Exploit	Make use of
24.	Particular	Specific
25.	Eligible	Fit, Able
26.	Impatiently	Restlessly, Without patience
27.	Address(v)	Speak to
28.	Assembly	A gathering

**AN EXCELLENT FATHER**

**Q.1:- What does Mrs. Bennet tell her husband?**

**Ans.** On coming to know that a handsome young man with sound monetary base has occupied the Nether field park, Mrs. Bennet is very curious to see her better-half materialize a meet with Mr. Bingley whom she thinks would turn out to be a fitting match for one of their daughters.



**Q.2:- Who take over Nether field Park? Why is Mrs. Bennet happy over it?**

**Ans.** A smart, young bachelor in the name of Mr. Bingley takes over the Neither Field Park. Mrs. Bennet, like a concerned mother, feels very happy as it creates a great opportunity for her daughters to get married as they have attained the marriageable age. At least, one of her eligible daughters could get a partner having such huge pile of 4000 a year. This all makes Mrs. Bennet feel happy over it.

**Q3:- Why does Mrs. Bennet insist on her husband to meet Mr. Bingley?**

**Ans.** Mrs. Bennet is quite anxious to find a good life partner for one of her daughters at the most. She wants her husband to have an acquaintance with Mr. Bingley without any dilly-dallying so that the golden opportunity won't be missed.

**Q4:- You take delight in vexing me you have no compassion on my poor nerves. Explain?**

**Ans.** Mrs. Bennet reacts to the flattering words of her husband whom she impresses upon to meet the handsome young man, Mr. Bingley. Mr. Bennet comes up with the teasing comments that the young man might prefer Mrs. Bennet to her daughters for she possesses magical beauty. These words annoy Mrs. Bennet and she feels vexed.

**Q5:- Why does Mrs. Bennet think that Mr. Long is selfish?**

**Ans.** Mrs. Long had promised them to introduce Mr. Bingley at the church assemblies. Mrs. Bennet had fears that Mrs. Long might use the opportunity of getting one of her nieces married to Mr. Bingley. It is in this context that Mrs. Bennet thinks that Mrs. Long is selfish.

**Q6:- How does Mr. Bennet reacts to the plan designed by his wife?**

**Ans.** Mr. Bennet is charged with wit and wisdom. He is a good reader of his wife and handles the situation with great care and charisma, not letting the mercury of suspense and drama go down in the least. Seeing Lizzy trimming her hat he comments, "I hope Mr. Bingley will like it". He irritates his wife beyond limits she scolds her daughter Kitty for coughing spotlessly and without discretion. Finally, Mrs. Bennet says, "I'm sick of Mr. Bingley". It is here that 'Mrs. Bennet seems to run out of patience and Mr. Bennet let the cat out of his bag and reveals the fact that he has already paid a visit to Mr. Bingley which comes as pleasant surprise for the daughters and their mother.



**Q7:- Why does Mr. Bennet tell her girls that they have an excellent father?**

**Ans.** Mrs. Bennet, kept insisting her husband to pay a visit to Mr Bingley. In actuality, she came to know that this man has come from a far place to let Nether Field Park in their neighborhood. Mr Bennet does not pay any attention and keeps her teasing time and again. After raising the volume of suspense and emotions, he finally comes up with the actuality and springs a delightful surprise. Mrs. Bennet gets awestruck and is compelled to remark, " What an excellent father you have, girls".