

## Text Book Exercise

**Q.1 Why did Harry want to go back to Earth?** (Bwp-G1)-16

**Ans.** Harry wanted to go back to Earth because it seemed to him that the Martian climate would dissolve their intellect and burn their memory. It would change them altogether. (Fsd-G1)-16 (Lhr-G1)-15

ہیری واپس زمین پر کیوں جانا چاہتا تھا؟  
ہیری واپس زمین پر جانا چاہتا تھا کیونکہ اس کو لگتا تھا کہ مریخ کی آب و ہوا ان کے دماغ کو ختم کر دے گی، ان کی یادداشت جلا دے گی اور ان تمام کو مکمل طور پر بدل دے گی۔

**Q.2 Why did he (Harry) want to stay (on Mars)?** (Bwp-G1)-16

**Ans.** Harry wanted to stay on Mars till the war ended on the earth and the rockets came to pick them. (Fsd-G1)-16 (Lhr-G1)-15

ہیری مریخ پر اس وقت تک رکتا چاہتا تھا جب زمین پر جنگ ختم ہو جائے اور خلائی گاڑی ان کو لینے آجائے۔

**Q.3 What climate did they face?** (Lhr-G1)-16

**Ans.** The climate on Mars was very hot. Summer burned the canals dry and moved like flame upon the meadows. The painted houses were flaked and peeled. It also changed the complexion of their bodies. (Fsd-G2)-16 (Ajk-G1)-15

وہ کیسی آب و ہوا تھی جس کا زمین کے لوگوں نے مریخ پر سامنا کیا؟

لوگوں نے مریخ کی جس آب و ہوا کا سامنا کیا وہ تباہ کن تھی۔ موسم گرما نے نہروں کو جلا کر خشک کر دیا۔ گھروں پر رنگ چھلکے کی طرح اتر گیا تھا۔ گرمی نے ان کے جسموں اور رنگت کو بھی بدل ڈالا تھا۔

**Q.4 What was the condition of the Bittering family on hearing the news of war on Earth?** (Bwp-G1)-15

**Ans.** The Bittering family was shocked to hear about the atomic war on earth. Now they were stranded on Mars forever, because all the space rockets on the earth had blown up. (Sgd-G1)-15 (Fsd-G1)-15 (Fsd-G2)-15

بٹرنگ خاندان کی زمین پر جنگ کی خبر سن کر کیا حالت ہوئی؟

بٹرنگ خاندان زمین پر ایٹمی جنگ کا سن کر سکتے میں آ گیا۔ اب وہ مریخ پر ہمیشہ کے لیے پھنس چکے تھے۔ کیونکہ زمین میں موجود خلا میں جانے والے تمام راکٹ پھٹ چکے تھے۔

**Q.5 What did they want to grow (on Mars)?** (Bwp-G1)-15

**Ans.** The Bittering family wanted to grow crops, onions and peach on Mars. They tried to grow all kinds of vegetables. But all these things grew very odd to frighten them. (Sgd-G1)-15 (Fsd-G1)-15 (Fsd-G2)-15

بٹرنگ خاندان کے افراد مریخ پر کیا اگانا چاہتے تھے؟

بٹرنگ خاندان، پیاز اور آدو کو مریخ پر اگانا چاہتے تھے۔ انہوں نے سبزی کی تمام قسموں کو اگانے کی کوشش کی لیکن یہ تمام چیزیں اس عجیب طرح سے اگیں کہ انہیں خوفزدہ کر دیا۔



**Q.6 What was the condition of their (Harry's) house?**

ہیری کے گھر کی کیا حالت تھی؟

(Rwp-G2)-14

**Ans.** The condition of their house was very poor. The hot summer wind had flaked and peeled the painted houses. The fog at night had changed the shape of the boards. It was no more looked the house of an Earth man.

اُن کے گھر کی حالت بہت عجیب و غریب تھی۔ تیز ہوائ نے رنگ کو جلا ڈالا تھا۔ رات کے وقت کی دھند نے کڑی کے تختوں کی شکل بدل ڈالی تھی۔ یہ ایک زمینی آدمی کا گھر دکھائی نہیں دیتا تھا۔

**Q.7 What was the advice Harry gave to the people?**

ہیری نے لوگوں کو کیا نصیحت کی؟

(Dgk-G2)-16

**Ans.** Harry advised the people to build a rocket to go back to Earth. Otherwise, the Martian virus would change them altogether and scorch their memory.

(Rwp-G2)-15

(Dgk-G2)-13

ہیری نے لوگوں کو ایک راکٹ بنانے اور زمین پر واپس جانے کا مشورہ دیا۔ اُس نے اُن کو تنبیہ کی کہ مریخ کا وائرس اُن کو مکمل طور پر بدل ڈالے گا۔

**Q.8 How dangerous can a Martian virus be?**

مریخ کا وائرس کتنا خطرناک تھا؟

(Dgk-G1)-16

**Ans.** A Martian virus can change the whole physique of an earth man. It can dissolve their intellect, and flake away their identities. It can change everything; vegetable, fruits and human beings.

(Mtn-G2)-16

(Lhr-G1)-13

(Lhr-G1)-11

مریخ کا وائرس زمین کے آدمی کا مکمل خلیہ بدل سکتا تھا۔ یہ اُن کی شناخت ختم اور اُن کی ذہانت کو کمزور کر سکتا تھا۔ یہ ہر چیز بدل سکتا تھا (جیسا کہ) سبزیاں، پھل اور انسان۔



## Additional Questions

**Q.1. Who came out of the rocket landed on the Mars?**

(Mtn-G1)-16

**Ans.** Besides other passengers, a man, a woman, and three children came out of the rocket, landed on the Mars.

(Ajk-G2)-15

**Q.2. What did Harry feel when he landed on the Mars?**

(Lhr-G1)-16

**Ans.** Harry felt that his hair fluttered and the tissues of his body drew tight as if he were standing at the centre of a vacuum.

(Fsd-G2)-16

**Q.3. What climate did they face?**

(Text Q.No.3)

OR

**What was the climate the earth people faced on Mars?**

**Ans.** Harry felt as if the hot wind would flake away their identities and it air might draw their souls, at any movement. He felt submerged in a chemical that could dissolve his intellect and burn away his past.

**Q.4. How did the Martian hills and cities look like to them?**

**Ans.** Martian hills looked as if the time had worn them with a crushing pressure of years, and the old cities seemed to be lost in the meadows, lying like children's delicate bones among the blowing lakes of grass.

**Q.5. How much away did they go on the Mars?**

**Ans.** They came over sixty million miles away from Earth.

**Q.6. What were the names of Harry's family members?**

**Ans.** Their names were Bittering Harry, his wife Cora, Dan, Laura, and David.

**Q.7. Who was the third unbidden partner, all the times?**

**Ans.** Harry was haunted by fear. It laid with Mr. Bittering and Mrs. Bittering. It was the third unbidden partner at every midnight talk, at every dawn awakening.

**Q.8. Why did Harry want to go back to Earth?**

(Text Q.No.1)

(Bwp-G1)-16

OR

(Fsd-G1)-16

**What did Harry feel himself on the Mars?**

(Lhr-G1)-15

**Ans.** Harry felt that he was like a salt crystal, being washed away in a mountain stream. He believed that they are Earth people and they don't belong to Mars. Therefore, Harry wanted to go back to Earth.

**Q.9. What did Harry say about dead cities and memories?**

**Ans.** Harry thinks that memories haunt like ghosts. And all dead cities have some kind of memories in them which hunt like ghosts.

**Q.10. Why did he (Harry) want to stay (on Mars)?**

(Text Q.No.2)

OR

**How did the Bitterings come to know about the war on Earth?**

**Ans.** The Bitterings came to know about the war on the Earth through a radio flash. Therefore, they wanted to stay on Mars till the war ended on the Earth.



**Q.11. What news did Laura break to her parents?**

**Ans.** Laura broke the news of atomic war on earth. She told that atom bombs had hit New York and all the space rockets had been destroyed.

**Q.12. What was the condition of the Bittering family on hearing the news of the war on the Earth?** (Text Q.No. 4)

**Ans:** The Bittering family was shocked to hear about the atomic war on earth. Now they were stranded on Mars forever, because all the space rockets on the earth had blown up.

**Q.13. What was the condition of their (Harry's) house?** (Text Q.No.6)

**Ans:** The condition of their house was very poor. The hot summer wind had flaked and peeled the painted houses. The fog at night had changed the shape of the boards. It was no more looked the house of an Earth man.

**Q.14. Why did Harry want to fire a pistol in the air to see the people at a grocery store?**

**Ans.** Harry wanted to fire a pistol in the air to startle the people sitting airlessly on the steps of a grocery store. They were talking and laughing leisurely. They were unaware of the changes taking place in them.

**Q.15 What did they want to grow (on Mars)?**

(Text Q.No.5)

OR

**What did the members of the Bittering family want to grow on Mars?**

**Ans.** The Bittering family wanted to grow crops, onions and peach on Mars. They tried to grow all kinds of vegetables. But all these things grew very odd to frighten them.

**Q.16. What was the advice Harry gave to the people?** (Text Q.No.7)

OR

**Why did Harry want to make a rocket?**

**Ans:** Harry advised the people to build a rocket to go back to Earth. Otherwise, the Martian virus would change them altogether and scorch their memory.

**Q.17 How dangerous can a Martian virus be?** (Text Q.No.8)

**Ans.** A Martian virus can change the whole physique of an earth man. It can dissolve their intellect and flake away their identities. It can change everything; vegetable, fruits and human beings.

**Q.18. How did common people make fun of Harry?**

**Ans:** Out of their ignorance and carelessness, Common people made fun of Harry. They cut jocks at him.

**Q.19.What changes appeared in Harry Bittering?**

**Ans:** Harry Bittering was getting taller and thinner. His blue eyes turned into yellow and golden.

(Bwp-G1)-13  
(Sgd-G1)-13  
(Sgd-G2)-13  
(Fsd-G1)-13  
(Fsd-G2)-13  
(Rwp-G2)-14

(Dgk-G2)-16  
(Rwp-G2)-15  
(Dgk-G2)-13  
(Dgk-G1)-16  
(Mtn-G2)-16  
(Lhr-G1)-13  
(Lhr-G1)-11



**Q.20. Why did Harry refuse to eat food brought by his wife?**

**Ans:** Harry refused to eat the vegetables grown on Mars. He preferred to eat food from their deep freezer brought from Earth.

**Q.21. What changes did the summer do to the Earth settlement?**

**Ans.** The hot summers burned everything in the empty Earth settlements even the painted houses were flacked and peeled. the rubber tires were hanging suspended like stopped clock pendulums in the blazing air.

**Q.22. What did happen with the rocket frame at the metal shop?**

**Ans:** The rocket frame began to rust at the metal shop.

**Q.23. What physical changes occurred in Harry till autumn?**

**Ans.** Harry grew darker, taller and thinner than before. He was started to look like his son. The colour of his eyes turned into golden.

**Q.24. What were the activities of Bittering children?**

**Ans.** The daughter often wove tapestries and the sons used to play on ancient flutes and pipes.

**Q.25. What did Mr. Bittering comment at Earth people and their houses, after their settlement on Mars?**

**Ans:** Mr. Bittering gazed at the Earth settlement and thought that they were ugly people and they had built odd and ridiculous houses. He was glad that they had gone.

**Q.26. What physical changes appeared in Cora?**

**Ans:** Cora, wife of Mr. Bittering, became slender and golden as her daughter.

**Q.27. After how many years, did the earth people come to rescue them from Mars?**

**Ans:** Five years later, a rocket fell out of the sky to rescue the Earth people from Mars.

**Q.28. What did rocket men find on Mars?**

**Ans:** Rocket men found American-built cottages, beach trees and silent theaters. They also found a flimsy rocket frame rusting in an empty shop.

**Q.29. Where did the captain establish their head quarters?**

**Ans.** The captain established their headquarters in an abandoned bar.

**Q.30. What did the Lieutenant report to the caption, and what was his opinion about the natives?**

**Ans.** The lieutenant reported to the captain that the Earth settlements were empty, but he had seen some friendly native in the ruins of Mars. He further explained that they learn English fast and they can establish friendly relations with them.

