

The Great Stone Face 1

Read the given passages carefully and answer the questions that follow by choosing the correct alternative:

(1)

So his mother told him a story that her own mother had told her, when she was younger than Ernest; that at some future day, a little child should be born near here, who was destined to become the greatest and noblest person of his time and whose face, in manhood, should bear an exact resemblance to the Great Stone Face. Many still had faith in this old prophecy. But others took it to be nothing but idle talk. At all events the great man of the prophecy had not yet appeared.

Question 1.

Name the lesson.

- (a) A Visit to Cambridge
- (b) The Summit Within
- (c) A Short Monsoon Diary
- (d) The Great Stone Face-I

▼ [Answer](#)

Answer: (d) The Great Stone Face-I

Question 2.

"His mother told him a story". Whose mother?

- (a) Poet's
- (b) Ernest's
- (c) Shopkeeper's
- (d) General's

▼ [Answer](#)

Answer: (b) Ernest's

Question 3.

Who would resemble the Great Stone Face?

- (a) The greatest and noblest man
- (b) The poet
- (c) The kind man
- (d) The healthy man

▼ [Answer](#)

Answer: (a) The greatest and noblest man

Question 4.

"Many people believed in this old prophecy". For what 'this' is used here?

- (a) That the stone face would be alive
- (b) That a face like Great Stone Face should be born
- (c) That Ernest will look like stone face
- (d) None of these

▼ [Answer](#)

Answer: (b) That a face like Great Stone Face should be born

Question 5.

Give the meaning of 'prophecy'.

- (a) prophet
- (b) advice
- (c) prediction
- (d) suggestion

▼ [Answer](#)

Answer: (c) prediction

(2)

The Great Stone Face was a work of nature, formed on the perpendicular side of a mountain by some immense rocks, which had been thrown together so that, when viewed at a proper distance, they resembled the features of a human face. If the spectator approached too near, he lost the outline of the enormous face and could see only a heap of gigantic rocks, piled one upon another. But seen from a distance, the clouds clustering about it, The Great Stone Face seemed positively to be alive.

Question 1.

Name the lesson.

- (a) The Great Stone Face-I
- (b) The Great Stone Face-II
- (c) A Visit to Cambridge
- (d) A Short Monsoon Diary

▼ [Answer](#)

Answer: (a) The Great Stone Face-I

Question 2.

What was the Great Stone Face?

- (a) A reflection
- (b) A work of nature
- (c) An artificial creation
- (d) None of the above

▼ Answer

Answer: (b) A work of nature

Question 3.

When did the rocks give the impression of a human face?

- (a) On reaching near
- (b) Through a hole
- (c) With the help of camera
- (d) From a distance

▼ Answer

Answer: (a) On reaching near

Question 4.

Why does the author call the face 'alive'?

- (a) It was alive
- (b) It exactly looked like a human face
- (c) It resembled a human being
- (d) None of these

▼ Answer

Answer: (b) It exactly looked like a human face

Question 5.

Which word in the passage means 'looked like'.

- (a) resembled
- (b) features
- (c) immense
- (d) positively

▼ Answer

Answer: (a) resembled

(3)

About this time there went a rumour throughout the valley that the great man, who was to bear a resemblance to the Great Stone Face, had appeared at last. It seems that, many years before, a young man had left the valley and settled at a distant seaport. Gather gold, which was his name, had set up as a shopkeeper and, being sharp in business matters, had become so very rich that it would have taken him a hundred years only to count his wealth. In time he thought of his native valley, and decided to go back there, and end his days where he had been born.

Question 1.

What was the name of the man (shopkeeper)?

- (a) Rotherfield
- (b) Gathergold
- (c) Gatherfield
- (d) Goldfinch

▼ [Answer](#)

Answer: (b) Gathergold

Question 2.

Where had the man (shopkeeper) settled after leaving the valley?

- (a) At a company's godown
- (b) At a distant seaport
- (c) In a museum
- (d) On the hillslopes

▼ [Answer](#)

Answer: (b) At a distant seaport

Question 3.

The man, Gathergold, was very :

- (a) rich
- (b) cruel
- (c) polite
- (d) shrewd

▼ [Answer](#)

Answer: (a) rich

Question 4.

Who was called the resemblance of 'Great Stone Face'?

- (a) The poet
- (b) Ernest
- (c) The General
- (d) Gathergold-the shopkeeper

▼ [Answer](#)

Answer: (d) Gathergold-the shopkeeper

Question 5.

Which word in the passage means 'far off'.

- (a) rumour
- (b) resemblance

- (c) distant
- (d) sharp

▼ [Answer](#)

Answer: (c) distant

(4)

And Ernest never forgot the story that his mother told him. It was always in his mind whenever he looked upon the Great Stone Face. He spent his childhood in the log-cottage where he was born, was dutiful to his mother and helpful to her in many things, assisting her much with his little hands, and more with his loving heart. In this manner, from a happy yet often pensive child, he grew up to be a mild and quiet youth.

Question 1.

Who told the story of 'Great Stone Face' to Ernest?

- (a) His teacher
- (b) His mother
- (c) His grandfather
- (d) His father

▼ [Answer](#)

Answer: (b) His mother

Question 2.

What was the story?

- (a) That Ernest would see Great Stone Face alive
- (b) That the Great Stone Face would speak
- (c) That a child would be born like Great Stone Face
- (d) None of these

▼ [Answer](#)

Answer: (c) That a child would be born like Great Stone Face

Question 3.

Where did he spend his childhood?

- (a) In a garden
- (b) In the log-cottage
- (c) In a school
- (d) In the hut

▼ [Answer](#)

Answer: (b) In the log-cottage

Question 4.

Ernest grew up into a _____ youth.

- (a) quiet
- (b) handsome
- (c) naughty
- (d) disobedient

▼ [Answer](#)

Answer: (a) quiet

Question 5.

Which word in the passage means 'thoughtful'.

- (a) dutiful
- (b) helpful
- (c) assisting
- (d) pensive

▼ [Answer](#)

Answer: (d) pensive

(5)

Ernest last could see the general's face; and in the same glance, to the side, he could also see the Great Stone Face. If there was such a likeness as the crowd proclaimed, Ernest could not recognise it.

"Fear not, Ernest," said his heart, as if the Great Stone Face was whispering to him, "fear not, Ernest; he will come."

Question 1.

Who was the General?

- (a) A rich man
- (b) A native of that valley
- (c) A nobleman
- (d) A native of the nearby valley

▼ [Answer](#)

Answer: (b) A native of that valley

Question 2.

Why was he accorded a warm welcome?

- (a) People believed that he looked like Stone Face
- (b) He was a general
- (c) He was very rich
- (d) None of these

▼ [Answer](#)

Answer: (a) People believed that he looked like Stone Face

Question 3.

Why did Ernest not believe that he looked like Great Stone Face?

- (a) He thought himself so
- (b) He did not believe in the story
- (c) He was proud
- (d) He found no resemblance between the two faces.

▼ Answer

Answer: (d) He found no resemblance between the two faces.

Question 4.

Which word in the passage means 'to speak in low voice'.

- (a) recognise
- (b) proclaimed
- (c) whisper
- (d) likeness

▼ Answer

Answer: (c) whisper

Question 5.

"Fear not, Ernest; he will come", who spoke these words?

- (a) The poet
- (b) The preacher
- (c) The commander
- (d) Stone Face

▼ Answer

Answer: (d) Stone Face

(6)

Ernest had been deeply stirred by the idea that the great man, the nobleman, the man of prophecy, after so many ages of delay, was at length to be seen in his native valley. While the boy was still gazing up the valley one day and imagining that the Great Stone Face returned his gaze, the noise of wheels was heard, and a crowd of people cried. "Here comes the great Mr. Gathergold."

Question 1.

Who was Ernest?

- (a) A native of the valley
- (b) A General

- (c) A poet
- (d) A businessman

▼ [Answer](#)

Answer: (a) A native of the valley

Question 2.

Who was he waiting for?

- (a) The poet
- (b) The General
- (c) Gathergold
- (d) The Great Stone Face

▼ [Answer](#)

Answer: (c) Gathergold

Question 3.

Why was he waiting for Gathergold?

- (a) He wanted to meet him
- (b) He was told that Gathergold resembled Great Stone Face.
- (c) He wanted to talk to him
- (d) None of these

▼ [Answer](#)

Answer: (b) He was told that Gathergold resembled Great Stone Face.

Question 4.

Whose noise was heard?

- (a) The noise of birds
- (b) The noise of drums
- (c) The noise of people
- (d) The noise of wheels

▼ [Answer](#)

Answer: (d) The noise of wheels

Question 5.

Which word in the passage means 'looking'?

- (a) gazing
- (b) imagining
- (c) stirred
- (d) native

▼ [Answer](#)

Answer: (a) gazing

(7)

On the day of the general's arrival, Ernest and all the other people of the valley left their work, and proceeded to the spot where a great banquet had been prepared. Soldiers stood on guard, flags waved and the crowd roared. Ernest was standing too far back to see Blood-and-Thunder's face. However, he could hear several voices.

Question 1.

Name the lesson.

- (a) A Visit to Cambridge
- (b) A Short Monsoon Diary
- (c) The Great Stone Face-1
- (d) The Summit Within

▼ [Answer](#)

Answer: (c) The Great Stone Face-1

Question 2.

Why did the people of valley leave their work?

- (a) To see the Great Stone Face
- (b) To see the general
- (c) To see the poet
- (d) None of these

▼ [Answer](#)

Answer: (b) To see the general

Question 3.

What was prepared for the general?

- (a) A play
- (b) Some dishes
- (c) A song
- (d) A feast

▼ [Answer](#)

Answer: (d) A feast

Question 4.

Why was Ernest not able to see the face of General?

- (a) Ernest was standing too far
- (b) He did not want to meet him
- (c) He was disturbed by the people
- (d) None of these

▼ Answer

Answer: (a) Ernest was standing too far

Question 5.

What was the name of the General?

- (a) Gathergold
- (b) Blood-and-Rain
- (c) Blood-and-Thunder
- (d) None of these

▼ Answer

Answer: (c) Blood-and-Thunder
