

Ode On Solitude

Q.1. What make your life happy – money or contentment or both ? Discuss.

Ans. A little money and full satisfaction make our life happy.

Q. 2. Who is a happy man ?

Ans. A man whose desire is in a limit is a happy man.

Q.3. How many of you want to be happy? What constitutes happiness ?

Ans. Every of us wants to be happy. Satisfaction alone constitutes happiness.

Q. 4. How inay a man be happy ?

Ans. If a man controls over his desires and gets satisfaction what he has may be happy.

Q.5. Who is a blessed inan ?

Ans. The man whose days pass away without any worriness, is a blessed man.

Q.6. How does a happy man spend bis time?

Ans. A happy man spends his time to sleep soundly, study meditatively and entertain sweetly.

Q.7. What are the features of a happy life?

Ans. Contentment without any care and anxiety are the features of a happy life.

Q.8. What is an ode ?

Ans. The term 'ode' is usually employed for a long poem. Serious in subject, exalted in style and elaborate in its stanzaic structure. Example- 'Ode On Solitude'.

Q. 9. Have you ever visited a remote village adorned with natural beauty and a capital town full of sky-scrappers ? Which one'would you like and why ?

Ans. Yes, I would like a remote village adorned with natural beauty which can make our life happy and natural.

Q.10. What is the secret of a happy life ?

Ans. It is a well known fact that 'Wants' are unlimited. No man can get all what he desires. It means "Wants' can't be ended, so we will have to control over our desires. Contentment gives us peace and happy life.

Q.11. The poet thinks that those who are contented with what they have are happy men. Do you agree? Give reasons.

Ans. Yes, I agree with the above statement. We know that "Desire" has no end. If a man gets his one desire satisfied, another must arise in his mind. It is a vicious circle that goes and goes and never ends. Therefore it is better to be satisfied with what we have or what we can earn with our hard work.

Q.12. Is the title of the poem justified? Can you suggest any other title? Give reasons for your choice.

Ans. The title of the poem is justified. In this poem, the poet has presented a peaceful life which is possible only when a man feels himself alone. He has no desire, no greed, Then only the life may be peaceful. Yes, I can suggest an apt title 'Quiet Life'. When the life is quiet, we will get all pleasures what a man desires.

Q. 13. Why does the poet want to live and die stealthily from the world? How many of you would like to do so? And Why ? Or, How does Alexander Pope want to live alone ?

Ans. The poet thinks that life has now become restless due to more population and desire of getting more and more. If a man controls his greed and wants, he must get a happy life. That's why the poet wants to live unseen and unknown and die un lamented. Most of us don't want so because we always try to get fame.

Q.14. What does the speaker mean by Together mixed sweet recreation. Can these things be mixed? Have you ever tried to do so ?

Ans. The speaker wants to say that work is essential for getting our goal. But more work makes a man tired. Recreation gives us fresh energy which once more makes us ready to work heartily. If both are mixed in a balanced way, the life of a man would be happy. So, I always do so; not only trying to do so.