

**Make a precis of the following passage:**

Practically, all the progress that man has made is due to the fact that he is mortal. He has recognised that he is in this world only for a little while, and this knowledge has been good to stimulate him to make a diligent use of whatever talents he is endowed with. The secrets of nature have been wrested from her grudging fingers by men who, knowing they were mortal, have sought to comprehend the mysteries of the world around them in the hope that knowledge might enable them, if not to circumvent death, at least to ameliorate the aspires of life for themselves and others.

Yes we can do it!  
All our instincts and emotions are reinforced by death. If we were not mortal, the paternal and maternal instincts would not dominate our lives so strongly as they do. If we know that we should never die, we should have no desire for children to perpetuate our names and carry on the succession of the race.

Thus, ultimately we should arrive at a world without a child; and a world without a child would be a place in which there was no call for some of the most beautiful emotions to which the human soul can give expressions. And death lends a peculiar sanctity to human love. A man may love his books, but the love he bears his wife, his children or his friends, is something deeper and more sublime; it is love intensified and purified by the thought that human life is a finite thing, which may at any moment be touched by the fingers of death.

Titles - Mortality link with progress.  
Mortality is a real trigger behind every progress that a man is made. He achieved this progress by making the best use of his talent. By knowing the fact, he met the aspirations of not only himself but also of others. This reality is not only limited to knowledge but our desires are also bound to it. Desire like having children is also achieved by knowing this fact. Love with family is also increased by knowing the fact that man is mortal. Therefore, all the beauty of universe is bound to the fact that one day we have to leave this world.