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And still it moves. The words of Galileo, murmured when the tortures of the Inquisition had driven him to recant the Truth he knew, apply in a new way to our world today. Sometimes, in the knowledge of all that has been discovered, all that has been done to make life on the planet happier and more worthy, we may be tempted to settle down to enjoy our heritage. That would, indeed, be the betrayal of our trust.

These men and women of the past have given everything --- comfort, time, treasure, peace of mind and body, life itself --- that we might live as we do. The challenge to each one of us is to carry on their work for the sake of future generations.

The adventurous human mind must not falter. Still must we question the old truths and work for the new ones. Still must we risk scorn, cynicism, neglect, loneliness, poverty, persecution, if need be. We must shut our ears to the easy voice which tells us that 'human nature will never alter' as an excuse for doing nothing to make life more worthy.

Thus will the course of the history of mankind go onward, and the world we know move into a new splendour for those who are yet to be.

Questions

(i) What made Galileo recant the Truth he knew?

Ans: Galileo who faced series of investigations. The investigations had pushed him to recant the truth. Thus, Galileo recant the truth he knew.

(ii) What is the heritage being alluded to in the first paragraph?

Ans: The knowledge that has been discovered and contributed to make life happier on the earth. The provision of knowledge led to enjoy heritage. Therefore, knowledge of all is being alluded as the heritage in the first paragraph.

(iii) What does the 'betrayal of our trust' imply?

The betrayal of our trust implies the knowledge through numerous ways. Firstly, the knowledge of discoveries can be utilised for the advantages of humans such as making the earth happier. Contrarily, the knowledge can be used as a tool of destruction against humans.

(iv) Why do we need to question the old truths and work for the new ones?

Ans: We need to question the old truths and work for the new ones because of several things. Firstly, the adventurous human mind must not stop. Secondly, the old truths must be questioned so that new ideas be created to address poverty, loneliness so on and so forth.

(v) Explain the words or expressions as highlighted/underlined in the passage.

Ans: Enjoy our heritage: utilise the knowledge

The betrayal of trust: Cheating humans

Shut ears: Do not focus on something

New splendor: New era or race

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