

Example 8.5

"Practically all the progress that man has made is due to the fact that he is mortal. He has recognized that he is in this world only for a little while, and this knowledge has been a goad to stimulate him to make 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 we 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 asperities of life for themselves and others. 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 knew 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 expression. And death lends a peculiar sanctity to human love. A man may love his books, but the love he bears to his wife, his children, or his friends is something

deeper and more sublime; it is a love intensified and purified by the thought that human life is a finite thing which may at any moment be touched by the finger of death." (256)

Title: The Value of Mortality

Precis

Because [redacted] subject to death [redacted] he has made the fullest use of his [redacted] [redacted] has extracted from [redacted] her secrets to [redacted] [redacted] more possible, if not to [redacted] death.

Title:

"Death Gives Value
to Life"

Precis:

The thing which motivates a man to use all of his abilities, is death. Man has explored the nature. Although he cannot overcome the death, but he can remove harshness from life. If we were not mortal, there was no need of heritage. Man reached the world without children that looked insignificant with the absence of children. Death gives honour to human's love. A man loves his family more than anything, and death is the thing which makes this love so strong.