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## Precis {CSS-1984}

1) Life is not a Bed of Roses

a) Life: A twin-sided Mystery.

The author opines that humans can not survive without despair. For one to feel the sun rays, shade is essential. The complexity of life is centred on unfavourable conditions. Contentment lies in the attainment of purpose in this world. Life reciprocates whatever man throws at it. Mindsets derive happiness and sorrow. Hence, it is advisable to focus on the positive side of life. Some individuals carry within themselves a positive energy. They express concern for the bereaved ones. In addition, one must be mindful of lows in life. There are obstacles that can be managed with a strong response. Humans derive their own fortunes based on such responses.

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It is no doubt true that we cannot go through life without sorrow. There can be no sunshine without shade. We must not complain that roses have thorns, but rather be grateful that thorns bear flowers. Our existence here is so complex that we must expect much sorrow and much suffering. Many people distress and torment themselves about the mystery of existence. But although a good man may at times be angry with the world, it is certain that no man was ever discontented with the world who did his duty in it. The world is a looking-glass, if you smile, it smiles, if you frown, it frowns back. If you look at it-through a red glass, all seems red and rosy: if through a blue, all blue, if through a smoked one, all dull and dingy. Always try then to look at the bright side of things, almost everything in the world has a bright side. There are some persons whose smile, the sound of whose voice, whose very presence seems like a ray of sunshine and brightens a whole room. Greet everybody with a bright smile, kind words and a pleasant welcome. It is not enough to love those who are near and dear to us. We must show that we do so. While, however, we should be grateful, and enjoy to the full the innumerable blessings of life, we cannot expect to have no sorrows or anxieties. Life has been described as a comedy to those who think, and a tragedy to those feel. It is indeed a tragedy at times

and a comedy very often, but as a rule, it is what we choose to make it. No evil, said Socrates, can happen to a good man, either in Life or Death. -