

Reading Comprehension

1. What is the difference between human beings' fear of death and children's fear of darkness?

Ans

Human beings' afraid of death as they have heard stories related to agony of dying man, and also heard that death regards as a kind of punishment for sins he has committed.

While, the children feel afraid by darkness; as they heard the stories of ghost and thieves.

2. What is a religious and sacred view of death?

Ans

The person who comes into this colourful world also has to leave it. However, if he looks upon a death as a mean of making an entry into another world, he is certainly taking a religious and sacred

view of death.

3. What are the painful experiences described by the Monks in their books?

Ans Monks have described the painful experience which they underwent by inflicting physical tortures upon themselves as a form of self-purification. Such books may lead one to think that, if the pain of even a finger being squeezed or pressed is unbearable, the pain of death must be indescribably agonizing.

4. What are the views of Seneca about death?

Ans Seneca - a Roman Philosopher - expressed the view that the circumstances and ceremonies of death frighten people more than death itself would do.

5. What are the facts that make death appear more horrible than it would be otherwise?

Ans. A dying man is heard uttering groans; his body is seen undergoing convulsions; his face appears to be absolutely bloodless and pale; at his death his friends begin to weep and his relations put on mourning clothes; various rituals are performed. All these facts make death more horrible than it would be otherwise.