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— Qa —

Why did the writer's father spend time studying the skies?

The writer's father took interest in the skies because their house was located in an area where lightning, storms and eclipses were frequent. To keep an eye on the weather patterns and to protect his family from any natural disaster was his foremost priority.

— Qb —

Why the writer thinks that there was no need of a barometer?

Barometer is an instrument used for measuring atmospheric pressure. Her father was a weather prophet and the barometer was added to their dining room wall. Therefore, the writer thinks that there was no need of it.

— Qc —

What does the bright horizon meant for the writer's father?

For writer's father, bright horizon symbolized the presence of a nearest river and to search or look for river it could lead to a habitation.

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It might help to find way when lost.

— Qd —

How did her father influence the writer in her later years?

Her father influenced her in later years as a result, she developed a strong meteorological sensibility. When she started to write, atmosphere became an influential theme and part of her writings. She connected human emotions with weather metaphors.

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— Qa —

What is the difference between our life and the life of an animal?

The core difference that lies between human life and the life of an animal is that animals enjoy the present moment, while humans instead of enjoying the present they yearn for the future and ultimately, they are not appealed by the present moment.

— Qb —

What is the result of human anxiety?

Persistent tension and worries of future lead towards human anxiety and depression. This anxiety not only negatively affect their mental health but also disrupt the present time.

— Qc —

How does the writer compare man to the butterflies and squirrels?

The writer draws comparison between man and squirrels or butterflies as the squirrels and butterflies only enjoy the present moment and charm of nature while on the other hand, man is trapped in the trance of future and compromises the present time.

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— Qd —

How does anxiety about future disturb our daily life?

Humans tend to worry about future and do not enjoy their tasks of daily life such as, morning breakfast, brisk walk to the office, changing weather patterns and peaceful winter evenings by the fireside at home.

— Qe —

How can we make our life tolerable?

Human beings can make their lives tolerable by ignoring their futile desires and longing for future.

They should focus towards the present and enjoy ~~hundreds~~ little bundles of happiness wrapped in those moments.