



Department of Education, Sabaragamuwa - Weekly School

Week - 9

Subject:- English Literature

Grade :- 11

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Poetry

Richard Cory

Reading the poem for full comprehension.

1. Guess the class Richard Cory belongs to.
2. How does the speaker say that Richard Cory looked a perfect gentleman? Find the words and phrases the speaker uses to express this idea.
3. How do you know that he killed himself?
4. What is the subject matter of the poem?
5. Who could be the narrator of the poem?
6. How does the public think about him?
7. Describe the following. What impression is given to the reader through the following phrases.
 - a. "Imperially slim"
 - b. "richer than a king"
 - c. "clean favored"
 - d. "human"
 - e. "every grace"
8. Can you find the reason why the writer comes to an exaggerated description of the referred character in the poem?
9. Can you imagine the reason why he is depressed?
10. Do you see that the writer tries to depict the idea that "appearance is deceptive". Elucidate your answer