

Class 10th English

Lesson - 2

Bodo Medium

Footprints without Feet आथिंगैयि आगान

Textual Questions and Answers :

Read and find out :

1. How did the invisible man first become visible?
(नुवाथारि मानसिया माबोरै गिबियाव नुजादोंमोन ?)

Ans: The invisible man became visible first in a store.
When he wore dress he became visible.

2. Why was he wandering the streets?
(बियो लामायाव मानो थाबायथिंदोंमोन ?)

Ans: Griffin had set fire to his landlord's house and wanted to escape without being seen. He had taken off his clothes. He felt cold. Therefore, he had been wandering in London streets for a safer place.

3. Why does Mrs. Hall find the scientist eccentric?
(Mrs. Hall आ मानो बिगियान गिरिखौ जवलिया मोनखो ?)

Ans: Mrs. Hall wanted to be friendly with the scientist.
But he did not show any interest. Rather he said that he

wanted to have solitude. So, she found that he was eccentric.

4. What curious episode occurs in the study?
(फरायथौनायाव मा गोमोथाव जाथाइ जाखो ?)

Ans: One early morning the clergy and his wife woke up hearing some unusual sound in their study. They came to study but found no one there. But the desk was open and the money there was gone

5. What other extra ordinary things happen at the inn?
(हटेलाव मा गुबुन असादारन जाथाइ जाखो ?)

Ans: Some extra ordinary things happened at the inn. One morning the landlord and his wife found the door of the stranger's room wide open. They went in but found no one in the room. Suddenly the stranger's hat began dancing. Then the chair became alive and attacked him.

Think about it :

1. "Griffin was rather a lawless person" comment.
(“ग्रेफिना सासे जोबोद आइन मानियै मानसि मोन” बिबुंथि हो ।)

Ans: In fact, Griffin was a lawless person. He didn't hesitate to set fire to the landlord's house to take revenge. Then he ran away. Next he took clothes from a store like a thief. Thereafter, he hit the shopkeeper and

took his money. He also stole the clergyman's money. He did not care for others. He hit the constable and Mrs Hall also. All these prove that he was a lawless person.

2. How would you assess Griffin as a scientist?

(Griffin खौ सासे बिगियानगिरि महरै माबायदि नों सुमोनथाइ खालामगोन ?)

Ans: No doubt, Griffin was a scientist. He made experiments and invented the ways of making human body invisible. But his invention was not meant for any well-being of mankind. A true scientist works for the betterment of mankind. But he did it with evil intentions.

Talk about it :

1. Would you like to become invisible? What advantages and disadvantages do you foresee, if you did?

(नों नुवाथारि जानो लुबैयो ना? नों जानो हायोब्ला मा सुबिदा एबा असुबिदा जागोन होनना सिगां नुहरो ?)

Ans: Yes, I like to become invisible. But there should be provision to become visible again whenever I wish. The advantages and disadvantages are given below :

(i) Advantage : Evil things can be checked. Wrong-doers can be caught.

(ii) Disadvantage : Disorder will prevail in society, there will be confusion everywhere.

2. Are there forces around us that are invisible, for example, magnetism? Are there aspects of matter that are 'invisible' to the naked eye? What would the world be like if you could see such forces or such aspects of matter ?

(जोंनि सोरगिदिं नुवाथारि गोहोफोरा दंना, बिदिन्थि महरै, मेगनेट ? मेगन गोजायै नुनो हायै मुवा दंना ? बेफोर गोहोखौ नुनो हायोब्ला बुहुमा माबायदि जागोन ?)

Ans: Yes, there are lots of forces and things around us that are invisible. These are aspects of matter that are not visible to our naked eye. The world would be a place of horror if these become visible. Man will go mad if they can see all the mechanisms of the earth with their naked eyes.

3. What makes glass or water transparent (what is the scientific explanation for this)? Do you think it would be scientifically possible for a man to become invisible or transparent?

(Keep in mind that writers of science fiction have often turned out to be prophetic in their imagination!)

(गिलास एबा दैखौ माया गोजों खालामो ? बेनि बिगियानारि बेखेवथिया मा ? बिगियानारि मानसिया नुवाथारि एबा गोजों जानो हानाया सम्भव जागोन होनना नों सानोना ?)

Ans: The quality of being able to allow light to pass through them makes glass and water transparent.

I don't think it would be scientifically impossible for a man to become invisible or transparent. But it is very difficult.

Additional Questions Answers

1. Who was Griffin and what sort of man was he?
(ग्राफिना सोरमोन आरो बियो मा रोखोमनि मानसिमोन ?)

Ans: Griffin was an extraordinary scientist. He made experiments and could make himself invisible. But he was a law less and short-tempered person. He did not bother about laws. He easily lost control on himself. Setting fire on landlord's house, he escaped like a criminal.

2. State the reason why Griffin set fire to the house of landlord? What did he do thereafter?
(ग्रेफिना हाबिगोमानि न 'खौ सावना होनाय जाहोनखौ बिजिर। बेनि उनाव बियो मा मावदोंमोन ?)

Ans: Griffin's landlord disliked him and tried to eject him. In revenge Griffin set fire on the house. Thereafter he became invisible by swallowing rare drugs and suddenly escaped from there.

3. Why did Griffin go to the store? What did he do there?
(ग्रेफिना मानो गलायाव थांदोंमोन ? बियो बैहाय मा मावदोंमोन ?)

Ans: It was mid-winter and the air was bitterly cold. He was feeling very cold without clothes. So, he went straight to a big London store for warm clothes, shoes and an overcoat. He became fully dressed and visible again. He was hungry. He took meat, coffee, sweets and wine. Then, he settled down to sleep on piles of quilts.

4. What made Griffin leave London for Iping?
(माया आयपिंनि थाखाय ग्रेफिनखौ लण्डन नागार होदोंमोन ?)

Ans: At London store Griffin did not wake up till the next morning. Seeing him, the servants chased him. Griffin entered a theatrical company. He hoped to find clothes. He attacked a shopkeeper and robbed him of all his money. Then he escaped to the Iping village from London.

5. Why didn't Griffin like to be friendly with Mrs. Hall?
(ग्रेफिना मानो Mrs. Hall जों गोलोजानो मोजां मोनाखैमोन ?)

Ans: Griffin avoided mixing with the people. He did not want to talk to them either. Mrs. Hall, the landlord's wife, wanted to be Friendly with him. But he told her that he did not want to be disturbed. He also told her that an accident had affected his face.

6. Why did Griffin struggle with Jaffers?
(ग्रेफिना जेफार्सजों मानो जुजिदोंमोन ?)

Ans: Mr. Jaffers, the constable tried to catch Griffin as he had to arrest him. He was trying to catch a headless person. Griffin was throwing off one garment after another and struggling with the constable.

7. What did Griffin do in the shop of a theatrical company?
(थियेटर कम्पानि ग लायाव ग्रेफिना मा मावदोंमोन ?)

Ans: Griffin entered the shop of a theatrical company. Then, he wore bandages round his head, dark glasses, false nose, big bushy side whiskers and a large hat. He attacked the shopkeeper from behind and robbed him of all his money.

8. What happened when Griffin did not wake up in time at London store?
(लण्डननि गलायाव ग्रेफिना थिक समाव सिखारैयाव मा जाथाइ जादोंमोन ?)

Ans: The day dawned. Griffin did not wake up in time. The servants came to open the shop. They saw him. Griffin panicked and began to run. They ran after him to capture.

9. What did Griffin do in Drury Lane?

(Drury Lane आव ग्रेफिना मा मावदोंमोन ?)

Ans: Shivering with cold Griffin went to Drury Lane with a hope of finding clothes. He entered a theatrical shop. He wore bandages round his forehead, dark glasses, a false nose etc. He attacked a shopkeeper and robbed him of all his money.

10. What did Griffin do in the shop of a theatrical company?

(थियेटर कम्पानीनि गलायाव ग्रेफिना मा मावदोंमोन ?)

Ans: Entering the shop of a theatrical company, Griffin wore bandages round his forehead, dark glasses, a false nose etc. He attacked a shopkeeper and robbed him of all his money.

11. Why were the landlord and his wife surprised to see the scientist's door wide open?

(बिगोमा आरो बिनि बिसिया बिगियानगिरिनि दरजाखौ गुवारै गेंनाय नुना मानो सोमोनांदोंमोन ?)

Ans: Usually, the scientist's door was shut and locked from inside. He got furious if anybody entered his room. He had even told that he wanted privacy and not to be interfered with. So, the landlord and his wife were surprised when they saw the scientist's door wide open.

Long type Question Answers

1. Describe the 'fight' between Griffin and Jaffers?
(ग्रेफिन आरो जेफारनि गेजेराव जुजिलायनायखौ बिजिर।)

Ans: Mr. Griffin, the constable was secretly called to capture Griffin, the scientist. Arriving there, the constable was surprised that he had to arrest a man without head. But he had to arrest him at any cost. So, he tried to catch the scientist who was becoming more and more invisible. He was also throwing off one garment after another. Finally, a shirt flew in the air. The constable found himself struggling with someone he could not see at all. Some people tried to help him but they received blows only.

In the end, Jaffers was knocked down unconscious. He had made a last attempt to catch the unseen man. There were cries of "Hold him", "Hold him", But Griffin had freed himself.

2. How did Griffin prove to be a bad scientist ?
(ग्रेफिना माबोरै गावखौ सासे गाजि बिगियानगिरि होनना फोरमान होदोंमोन ?)

Ans: Griffin was, no doubt, a brilliant scientist. He made experiments and invented the ways of making human body invisible. But his invention was not meant for any well-being of mankind. A true scientist works for the betterment of mankind. But he did it with evil intentions.

Griffin was rather a lawless person. He was a man of short-temper. In revenge, he put the house of the landlord on fire. Then he escaped being completely invisible. He became a thief and a nuisance for all concerned. He quarrelled again in the Iping village. Thus, he became a notorious person rather than a scientist.

3. What happened to the landlord and his wife in Griffin's bedroom ?

(ग्रेफनिनि उनदुग्रा खथायाव बिगोमा आरो बिनि हिनजावहा मा जाथाइ जादोंमोन ?)

Ans: One morning the landlord and his wife were surprised to see the scientist's door wide open. They peeped round. But they saw nobody in the room. Clothes, bandages etc. were lying about in the room.

All of a sudden Mrs. Hall heard a sniff. The next moment, the bedpost leapt up. It hit her face. Both of them turned away in fear. A chair pushed both of them out. Mrs. Hall almost fell down crying. She felt for sure that the room was haunted by spirits.