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NOTES

Class - VIII

Subject - English

Topic - One Summer Night

Q1.RTC-

1.

a) The two persons referred to in the extract are the two students.

b) They were at the cemetery to dig up Henry Armstrong's coffin.

c) They could not be persuaded to return because they were too frightened on seeing Henry sit up in his coffin.

2.

a) Jess said these words.

b) The students were supposed to pay him because they wanted to dig up the body of Henry Armstrong.

c) Jess was in the dissecting room of the medical college.

Q2. Answer the following questions briefly-

1. There were flashes of lightning and the signals of a storm on that dark summer night. Neither would anybody be out during such a time nor would anybody be visiting the graves of their relatives. Also, only madmen would roam around at such a place and time. Since they could not be relied upon to speak sensibly, the three men felt safe and carried on with their job.

2. The horse and wagon were probably to be used to transfer the dead body to the dissecting room of the medical college. They were outside the wall so that no one would become suspicious about their presence or ask questions.

3. Jess did not run away in panic. His daring response to the unusual sight showed that he was both fearless and practical.

4. The two medical students were still in a frightened state the next day. We know this because their facial expressions—pallid and haggard from lack of sleep and terror—showed this. Also, their short verbal exchange shows that the image of the 'dead' man rising was still fresh in their minds.