
CLASS -XI ENGLISH NCERT SOLUTIONS-HORNBILL
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Answer 1:

Remove: a division in a school

Slackers: unmotivated and lazy students

Muck: useless, of no practical good

Kept in: grounded, detained, work after the official school hours

Got carried away: to get very excited or lose control of your feelings due to strong emotions.

Cut: escape, go away without permission.

Sadist: a person who gets pleasure out of inflicting pain to others

Shriveled up: having no feelings

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Answer 1:

Crocker Harris is Taplow's teacher. According to Taplow and me also; Mr. Crocker Harris is a strict disciplinarian. He was a hard working teacher and fully devoted to his duty as he called Taplow even on the last day of school to make up for his missed class. No student in his entire career has a courage to 'cut' Mr. Crocker Harris. He is neither partial nor biased; he will give Taplow whatever he deserves. He tries to maintain an appropriate distance from his students. He never responds the feelings shown by his students and remains shrivel. He is a man of principals and keeps the rules of the school. His students like him even after his strict behavior. His colleagues, even Frank, envy him for the effect he has on the students. He is strict but not a sadist that he seems to be.

Answer 2:

Frank encourages Taplow to comment on Mr. Crocker Harris by cleverly asking Taplow several questions. He appreciated Taplow's imitation of Mr. Crocker Harris and also asks him to repeat it.

Answer 3:

Mr Harris is a teacher who would not compromise on the rules and regulations to suffice the sentiments of students. He believes in fair assesment of his students and is not swayed by emotions, as the man is hardly human. He is not a sadist, but strict in performance of his

sduties. Even on his last day at school, when he is over busy in own affairs he does not neglect his duty towards students.

Talking about the Text

Answer 1:

There is no doubt that reading plays is more interesting than studying science because reading plays makes us imaginative and provides us ideas about human life and behavior. It has good language that is helpful in building our linguistic skills. It is a source of entertainment and enjoyment. Reading science has its own merits. It provides us knowledge and fill us with modern approach. Practical that we do in laboratories are also useful in daily life. Science makes us our future growth possible.

Working with Words

Answer 1:

1. Perfectionist
 2. Pacifist
 3. Nihilist
 4. Optimist
 5. Conventionalist
 6. Materialist
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