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**Class:X Subject:English Topic:F.W.F- Ch-9-The Book That Saved The Earth**

Q1. Why was the twentieth century called the 'Era of the book'?

Ans. There were books for everything, from anteaters to Zulus. Books taught people what to do, how to do, when to do and why to do. They explained, educated, directed and decorated. No wonder that it was called the era of books.

Q2. Noodle avoids offending Think-Tank but at the same time he corrects his mistakes. How does he manage to do that?

Ans. Noodle avoids offending Think-Tank while correcting his mistakes by presenting his own thoughts, but referring to them as being of no particular importance. Whenever he had to say something contrary to what Think-Tank said, he would do this. In this way, he would correct Think-Tank's errors without making Think-Tank feel that he was being corrected.

Q3. What steps did the crew take to decipher the code in the sandwich?

Ans. They thought that the books were sandwiches and tried to eat them. They misunderstood sandwiches to be some sort of communication device. Later, they took them as eye communication and not ear communication, and that they have to take vitamins to understand all these codes.

Q4. How does Think-Tank describe the people on earth? Why does he command Noodle to contact the space probe?

Ans. Think-Tank thought earthlings were weak, ignorant, uncivilised persons and hence, planned to invade earth. He sent his commander, Noodle to make contact with the crew of the manned space probe, now on earth to seek more information about the earth.

Q5. Pride has a fall'. Justify this statement giving relevant points from how Think-Tank reacted to the readings from Mother Goose.

Ans. Martians invaded the earth and reached in a library. Think-Tank was their boss. He was very proud of his wisdom, as he was having a big balloon like head. He thought that he was the wisest person on Mars. Nobody could disobey him, or even dare to speak against him. He claimed that he had a quick mind. He had no respect for anyone and regarded other's views as trifling. He was also fickle-minded.



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He misinterpreted the rhymes in a complete verbal manner. The rhyme mistress Mar made him ponder over the discovery of the earth. From the poem, diddle-diddle he was more alarmed and from the poem Humpty-Dumpty, he was so frightened that he decided to leave the earth and run away to Alpha Centauri. Thus, his great wisdom was defeated and had a great fall.



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