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Worksheet - 7

Class - IX

Subject - English

Topic – The Man Who knew too much

Q1.RTC-

- I. "He was a lean, lanky, stooping man, who wore horn-rimmed spectacles and had a frown on his face almost all the time."

1. Who is described in this extract?
2. What does the man's appearance suggest about his character?
3. Why do you think the author chose to describe him in such detail?

- II. "He had brains. He was sure to get a commission before long."

1. Who is being referred to as "he" here?
2. What does "get a commission" mean in the army context?
3. What quality of the character is being appreciated in this line?

Q2. Short Q- Ans -

1. Why was Private Quelch nicknamed 'Professor'?
2. How did Private Quelch show off his knowledge during lectures?
3. What was the reaction of other soldiers to Private Quelch's behaviour?

4. How did Quelch correct the sergeant during the rifle lecture?

5. What ambition did Quelch have in the army?

Q3. Long Q – Ans –

1. Describe the character of Private Quelch. What were his strengths and weaknesses?
2. How did Quelch's knowledge and behaviour affect his relationship with his peers and instructors?