

Reading With Insight

Que. What is it that draws Derry towards Mr Lamb in spite of himself?

Ans. Derry observes that Mr. Lamb is unique from other people. When Mr. Lamb sees Derry's scarred face, he displays courage. Instead, he talks to him tenderly. Derry believed that his issue was significant enough to make him the world's most depressed person. However, after speaking with Mr. Lamb, he realises that his issue is minor and begins to oversee Mr. Lamb. I think Derry has been drawn toward Mr. Lamb despite himself because of their peculiar dialogue.

Que. In which section of the play does Mr Lamb display signs of loneliness and disappointment? What are the ways in which Mr Lamb tries to overcome these feelings?

Ans. The opening scene of the story begins with Mr. Lamb displaying signals of loneliness and dissatisfaction. Even though Derry's alone dominates the drama, Mr. Lamb's loneliness is clearly there when the play is first seen. When Derry claims that he had heard too many passive things about Mr. Lamb, Mr. Lamb exhibits signs of separation. By listening to the song of the bees in the beehive on the tree in his garden, Mr. Lamb chooses to get rid of those feelings. These are the methods Mr. Lamb employs to combat his loneliness.

Que. The actual pain or inconvenience caused by a physical impairment is often much less than the sense of alienation felt by the person with disabilities. What is the kind of behaviour that the person expects from others?

Ans. If they are not exposed and treated with cruel pity, people with physical disabilities can live honourable lives and be treated with respect. He doesn't want sympathy; he wants compassion. Not being human does not entail having a weakness. It is a person with a very minor flaw. The exclusion of disabled individuals is not necessary. Despite their limitations, functioning normally with them would be a terrific way to assist them in developing their capabilities. That is what they would anticipate from us.

Que. Will Derry get back to his old seclusion or will Mr Lamb's brief association effect a change in the kind of life he will lead in the future?

Ans. No, Derry won't return to his privacy. Derry's tenuous connection to Mr. Lamb boosted his confidence and inspired him to value himself. I believe Derry's brief interaction with Mr. Lamb will have an impact on the life he leads going forward. It's because Mr. Lamb quickly made him feel content and at ease. He has also instilled in Derry the desire to work hard rather than dwell on his fractured face. This will undoubtedly alter Derry's perspective on other people and have an effect on the kind of life he leads moving forward.