

MCB
STD-VIII

SUBJECT : ENGLISH
CHAPTER NUMBER:6
PERIOD NUMBER : 2
CHAPTER NAME :ON QUITTING

CHANGING YOUR TOMORROW

EXPECTED LEARNING OUTCOMES

GENERAL OBJECTIVES

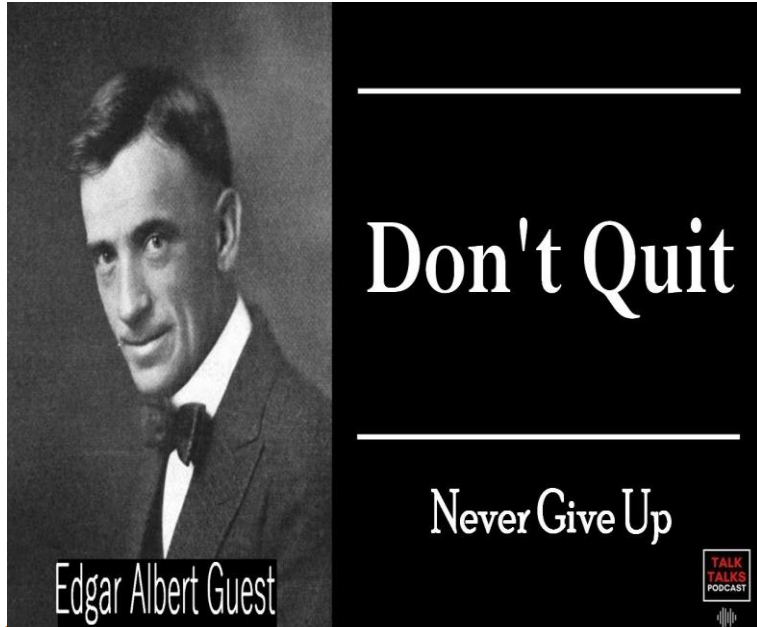
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INTRODUCTION TO THE POET



Edgar Albert Guest (20 August 1881 – 5 August 1959) was a British-born American poet who became known as the People's Poet. His poems often had an inspirational and optimistic view of everyday life. Guest was born in Birmingham, England in 1881. In 1891, his family moved from England to Detroit, Michigan, where Guest lived until he died. For 40 years, Guest was widely read throughout North America, and his sentimental, optimistic poems were in the same vein as the light verse of Nick Kenny, who wrote syndicated columns during the same decades.

Born: 20 August 1881, Birmingham, United Kingdom Died: 5 August 1959, Detroit, Michigan, United States Nationality: British Genres: Poetry, inspirational, motivational.

THEME OF THE POEM

- "In the short poem "On Quitting" by Edgar Albert Guest the theme is about how being able to quit something you really love or are passionate about can be really tough. The speaker says how much courage and strength of character it takes to do that. The speaker is someone that has been through a situation where they were commanded or had to quit something that made him or her happy. The poem also challenges the readers by saying that they do not know what courage, grit, really is until they have been through a similar situation where they had to quit something they loved. That is said at the last stanza of the poem which helps summarize the theme. In my opinion this poem was written to challenge and make readers think about what courage really is and how hard it can be. The audience of this poem can be anyone who can relate to it and has been through that or anyone in general.
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uH2N679wwz0>



EXPLANATION

The poet vividly discusses the important points required to be courageous enough to face the world be passionate about our goals and ambitions. It is said, 'Quitters don't win and the winners don't quit. The poet also prioritises the importance of self-discipline and love the art of enjoying courage and love to obey the mind. In the face of so many difficulties and tough weather, courage stands out and adventurous grit entangles us in the mouth of helplessness.

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STANZA-4

- How much grit do you think you've got-----

Just pick out a joy that you like, and quit.

The poet calls upon the readers to turn their joys into happiness. The instant happiness will surely put courage into immediate elation. Life is the toughest examination and the poet at the same time encourages the audience to convert their challenges into happiness so that required grit and courage will feature in the most significant credentials of the human beings.

- Rhyming scheme-

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- Rhyming words-

got-lot
go-know
grit-quit

Vocabulary-

grit-courage and resolve
quit-give up

STANZA-5

It's bully sport and it's open fight-----

Unless there is something you've tried to quit.....

Life is a battle and everyone is in the battle filed holding their own arms and ammunitions busy fighting with their fiends that keeps them busy in their struggle for existence. Therefore, it's the toughest job to quit what we really like and make our body obey our mind after we have mastered our ambitions and desires. Enslaving yearnings and desires is a herculean task.

Rhyming words----

fight-night

find-mind

grit-quit

Rhyming scheme—aabbcc

Homework--Solve the answers in notebook, 1 page handwriting

STANZA-3

Don't boast of your grit till you've tried it out-----

is the stuff you need when you are all alone

Boastfulness is the driver of crisis as it is said 'pride goes before fall.' We must not take others as inferior as all are unique in their own way. Though it is easy to win but in the fiercest fight it will be herculean to put up a brave face and continue fighting. Loneliness is also a weapon to resign to happiness and satisfaction. The poet amplifies that retaining courage at the time of being lonely also requires patience and tenacity.

Rhyming words....

out-stout

grin-win

own-alone

Rhyming scheme---aabbcc

Vocabulary—

stout-strong and thick

prate-talk foolishly

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