

## II. The Black Aeroplane



Q1) "I'll take the risk." What is the risk? Why does the narrator take it?

A) A huge storm was brewing up and the author was keen to reach his home to spend his holiday with his family. So, he decided to fly through the storm as he did not want to miss the chance to meet his family at breakfast. Thus he took the risk even when the visibility was almost zero in the storm.

Q2) Why does the narrator say; "I landed and was not sorry to walk away from the old Dakota"?

A) Seagull's parents had tried everything but he was reluctant to fly due to fear of falling down. He looked at his brothers and sister but wouldn't make

any efforts. That's why the whole family had left

him alone, and threatened and forced him to come

but every effort went in vain.

Q4) What made the woman in the control centre look  
at the narrator strangely?

Ans The woman in the control centre looked at the  
narrator strangely because the narrator asked him  
about the black aeroplane and she saw no one  
except the narrator's in the sky during the storm.

Even the ~~radar~~ radar showed only the narrator's  
plane that night in the sky.

Q5) What do you think helped the narrator to reach safety?

Ans It is very difficult to say about the unknown pilot who helped the narrator. But probably it was the narrator himself that helped him to overcome the fear in the storm as no other plane was seen in the radar except the narrator's Dakota plane. In that ferocious situation he might have been an experienced involving the ~~the~~ apparent perception of something not present. He himself was a good pilot and brave enough who helped himself to land safely.

Q6) Describe the narrator's experience as he flew the aeroplane into the storm.

Ans As he flew into the storm, everything went black

It was impossible to see anything outside the plane.

It jumped and twisted in the air. When he looked at his compass, he saw that it was turning

round and round. It was dead. Along with it, the

other instruments, including the radio, were also

dead. suddenly, he saw another aeroplane. Its pilot

waved at him, asking him to follow. He was glad

to find a helper. He was using his last fuel tank

and there was only enough fuel to fly five or

ten minutes. Then, the other pilot started to go

down and he followed. He suddenly came out

of the clouds and saw the runway, on which

he then landed his plane safely.