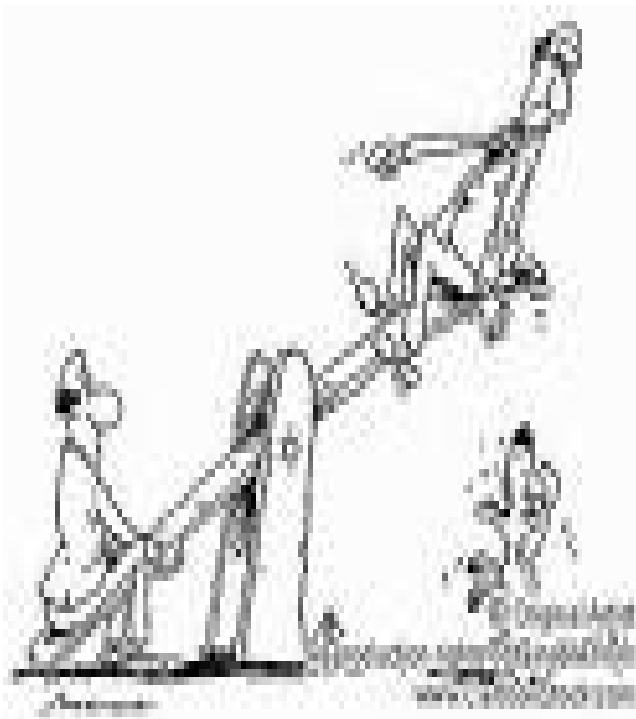


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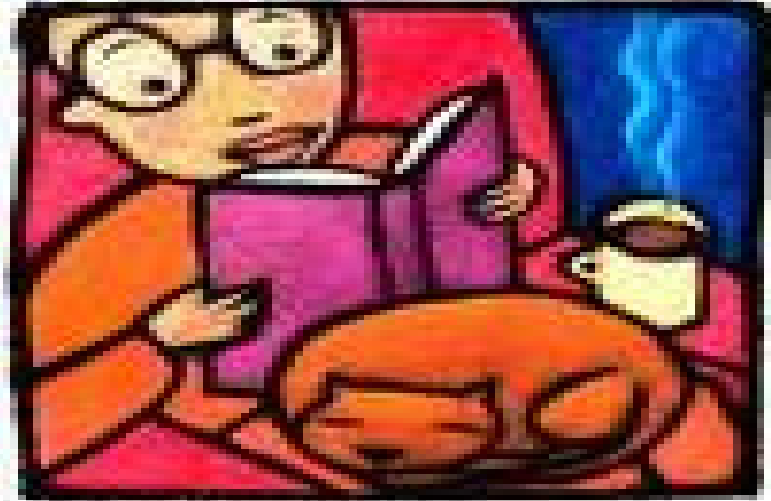
Leisure



time spent out of work
and essential activity
when we enjoy.

Leisure

I like to read story book in leisure time.



She likes gardening in her leisure time.



William Henry Davies



- 3 July 1871[1] - September 26, 1940)
- Welsh poet and writer
- subject of nature or life
- Simple and earthy style
- Also wrote novels and autobiographical works

Leisure

- Written by W. H. Davis
- Nature poem
- The poem has been used in television advertisements in the UK, namely Center Parcs and Orange Mobile

Sonnet

- little song
- a poem of fourteen lines that follows a strict rhyme scheme and specific structure.
- The writers of sonnets are sometimes referred to as "sonneteers".
- One of the best-known sonnet writers is Shakespeare who wrote 154 of them.
- Leisure is a Sonnet.

Rhyme-Scheme

- pattern of rhyming lines in a poem or song.
- Similar sound in the end

- What is this life, if, full of care, (A)
- We have no time to stand and stare. (A)
- No time to stand beneath the boughs, (B)
- And stare as long as sheep or cows. (B)
- No time to see, when woods we pass, (C)
- Where squirrels hide their nuts in grass. (C)
- No time to see, in broad daylight, (D)
- Streams full of stars, like skies at night. (D)
- No time to turn at Beauty's glance, (E)
- And watch her feet, how they can dance. (E)
- No time to wait till her mouth can (F)
- Enrich that smile her eyes began. (F)
- A poor life this if, full of care, (A)
- We have no time to stand and stare. (A)

Rhyme-Scheme

AABB

CCDD

EEFF

AA

Vocabulary



Stare



To look fixedly often with wide-open eyes

Stare

- The Great Khali is staring at the Undertaker.



- He is staring at his hanger.



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Beneath

- Two people are standing beneath the tree.



Squirrel

- The **Squirrel** is eating a nut.



Stream



a body of running water (as a river or brook)
flowing on the earth

Stream

- The stream is surrounded by trees.



Glance



- Have a glance at your wrist watch and tell me the time

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Reference

- These beautiful piece of poetry is taken from W. H. Davis' poem 'Leisure' which is based on the idea that life is worth living if we have leisure to enjoy the sights and sounds of nature.

Leisure

What is this life if, full of care,
We have no time to stand and stare.
No time to stand beneath the boughs
And stare as long as sheep or cows.

Leisure

- Explanation: The Poet says that our life is really not worth living if we are always worried and do not have any time for the beautiful sights of nature. Like sheep and cows, human beings should also have lots of leisure time. One should not be too much busy.

Leisure



No time to see, when woods we pass,
Where squirrels hide their nuts in grass.

No time to see, in broad daylight,
Streams full of stars, like skies at
night.



Leisure

- Explanation: The poet says that our life is a sheer waste if we are passing through a wood and we do not enjoy the sights like streams full of bright flowers which looks as bright as stars shining in the sky at night and squirrels hiding their nuts in the grass.

Leisure



No time to turn at Beauty's glance,
And watch her feet, how they can dance.

Leisure



No time to wait till her mouth can
Enrich that smile her eyes began.

Leisure

A poor life this if, full of care,
We have no time to stand and stare.

Leisure

- Explanation: The poet says that our life is useless if we do not have any time to note the rhythmic feet of the beautiful dancing woman. A smile that starts from her eyes spreads all over her face beautifying her features more and more. To the poet this scene is worth watching and enjoying. Our life is empty and full of worries and is not worth living as we do not have any time to enjoy it.

Central Idea

This beautiful poem written by **W. H. Davis** is based on the idea that our life is not worth living if we do not have time to enjoy the sights and sounds of nature. The idea is in contrast with that of given in 'Stopping By Woods In A Snowy Evening' by Robert Frost. W.H. Davis says that nature has given us beautiful sights and sounds. If a person is so busy that he does not have time to enjoy the nature, he is very poor indeed.

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