

SHORT NOTE

GRADE: 10

COURSE : CBSE A

SUBJECT: ENGLISH

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TITLE: THE MIDNIGHT VISITOR

About the writer: Robert Arthur Jr.

- He is known to be most famous fiction writer, and awarded as the best fiction and suspense novel writer of America so far.

Chapter : THE MIDNIGHT VISITOR

1. Main Idea/Topic:

- When a secret agent Ausable is hoping to receive an Important report from some sources, another secret agent Max follows him, and asks him to hand over the report to him on gun point. Though the fact is Ausable successfully outwitted Max, and saved himself from a very dangerous condition.

2. Character details:

Ausable- Secret agent, Fat, friendly, funny , cunning, soft tempered , he spoke French and German passably.

Max- Over smart, gets in trap, another secret agent , intended to snatch report from Ausable.

Fowler- Journalist, young, short in height , He is with Ausable to cover the whole news about the collection of report related to missile by Ausable, disappointed by the boring attempt to receive report by Ausable.

3. Key Points:

- **Ausable** is a fat man, can't be considered as a secret agent.
- He is in a hotel room and a journalist **Fowler** is also there with him.
- Ausable knows that Fowler is being bored with him, as he doesn't have anything called adventurous and mysterious yet, that Fowler could have imagined for.
- So Ausable tells Fowler that soon a history changing paper he is going to receive.

- When they both enter in a room, **Max** is already waiting in the room holding a automatic gun in his hand towards Ausable.
- Max is an another secret agent.
- Max says to Ausable that he will keep **the report concerning some missile** with him that Ausable is going to receive.
- Ausable tells Max that through the balcony outside his room window has caused him a sneak peek by 2nd intruder that month.
- He says that that balcony isn't his room's part, and he has requested the concerned department to close it but in vain.
- Max believes his point and agrees on that if he would have been aware of balcony , the balcony could have saved his time and efforts.
- Ausable tells Max – “The appointment was for twelve-thirty”. Max was expecting the report to receive in 1.5 hours.
- There is a person out side the room and knocks at the door.
- Ausable tells Max that police has come to check on him if he is safe.
- This is the moment Max gets outwitted by Ausable and happens to go outside to hide himself in the balcony.
- Max defenestrates from the window and a scream comes the same moment.
- There is no balcony outside. Max falls down from there and may have died too.

4. Supporting Details:

- Max has been thinking to snatch the documents from Ausable but outwitted by him.
- Ausable has been proved as fat and amiable by nature , as well has the proficiency in his work too.