

The Midnight Visitor

1. How did Ausable work out his plan in detail right from the beginning?

Ans:-Ausable stayed calm and used his quick thinking. He pretended that a balcony existed and told Max that someone had entered it. Then he used a knock at the door to suggest it was the police. Max got scared, believed him, and jumped out, falling to his death. Ausable had planned nothing, but his smart talking worked like a plan.

2. Provide a pen picture of Ausable.

Ans:-Ausable was a secret agent but looked nothing like one. He was fat, spoke with an American accent, and lived in a small hotel room. He was calm, clever, and had great presence of mind. Though he didn't look dangerous, he used intelligence to solve tricky situations.

3. Between Ausable and Max, who do you think is more intelligent and wise?

Ans:-Ausable is more intelligent and wise. He handled the situation calmly without using weapons. He fooled Max using only words and made him believe a false story. Max was armed but got scared and acted foolishly, showing Ausable's mental superiority.

4. Who is Fowler? Give a description of his meeting with Ausable.

Or Why did Fowler want to meet Ausable?

Ans:-Fowler was a young writer who wanted to meet Ausable to write about secret agents. He expected adventure and danger. At first, he was disappointed by Ausable's ordinary looks. But later, he witnessed an exciting incident when Ausable outsmarted Max, which changed his opinion.

5. Give a description of Max's conversation with Ausable.

Or Who was Max and why did he enter Ausable's hotel room?

Ans:-Max was another secret agent working for an enemy country. He entered Ausable's room with a gun to steal the secret report. He threatened Ausable and wanted the report at any cost. But Ausable tricked him by talking about a balcony and police, making Max jump in fear.

6. Briefly describe how Ausable defeated Max to take away the report.

Or How did Ausable get rid of Max?

Ans:-Ausable fooled Max by inventing a story about a balcony and the police. When someone knocked at the door, Ausable said it was the police. Max panicked and jumped from the window to escape, not knowing there was no balcony. Thus, Ausable saved the report without any fight.

7. How does Ausable manage to make Max believe that there is a balcony attached to his room?

Or How does Ausable overpower Max's plan by inventing the balcony in The Midnight Visitor?

Or What did Ausable tell Max about the balcony and why?

Ans:- Ausable said that the room once had a balcony and it still existed. He explained that people often used it to break in. Max believed this story. When he heard the knock, he thought the police had come and jumped onto the “balcony” to escape—falling instead, as there was none.

8. How is Ausable different from the secret agents?

Or "Ausable did not fit any description of secret agent Fowler had ever read." Why did the speaker say so?

Ans:- Ausable was fat, slow, and had a simple look. He didn't carry weapons or live in a fancy place. Fowler expected a stylish, action-filled life, but Ausable was different. Still, Ausable was smart and brave, which made him a great secret agent in his own unique way.

9. Who is Fowler and what is his first authentic thrill of the day?

Ans: Fowler was a writer curious about spy life. His first real thrill came when Max entered Ausable's room with a gun. Fowler was shocked but saw how Ausable cleverly handled the situation, which gave him the excitement he had hoped for.

10. Who was Fowler? Why did he visit Ausable?

Ans :-Fowler was a young writer who wanted to write about the lives of secret agents. He met Ausable to learn more about spy work. He expected excitement and danger, though Ausable didn't look like a typical agent at first.

11. Why was Fowler initially not convinced that Ausable was a spy?

Ans:-Fowler was disappointed when he saw Ausable. He expected a smart, daring man, but Ausable was fat and spoke in a dull manner. He stayed in a cheap hotel room and didn't seem dangerous, so Fowler doubted if he was a real spy.

12. What did Ausable do to make Fowler disillusioned and happy later?

Ans:-Though Fowler first thought Ausable was boring, Ausable later handled Max very smartly without violence. He invented a balcony and lied about police presence, making Max jump out. Fowler was impressed and realized Ausable was a clever spy after all.

13. Who was Max and why did he enter Ausable's hotel room?

Ans:-Max was a rival secret agent who wanted to steal a secret report from Ausable. He entered Ausable's room with a gun and tried to threaten him. However, Ausable tricked him using his wit and saved the report without any fight.

