QUESTION 2 OF 52: NOT ANSWERED

The main purpose of the opening sentence of the passage is to



establish the narrator's perspective on a controversy.

The first sentence does not discuss a controversy.



provide context useful in understanding the narrator's emotional state.

The first sentence of the passage explains that people do not like to admit when they've chosen the wrong profession and that they will continue in their profession for a while before admitting their unhappiness. This statement mirrors the narrator's own situation, as the narrator admits he finds his own occupation "irksome" but that he might "long have borne with the nuisance" if not for his poor relationship with his employer.



offer a symbolic representation of Edward Crimsworth's plight.

The first sentence does not focus on the narrator's employer, Edward Crimsworth.



contrast the narrator's good intentions with his malicious conduct.

The first sentence does not provide any evidence of malicious conduct.