

:1 Passage

The old house stood on the hill like a forgotten promise, its paint peeling like sunburnt skin. " Inside, Mrs. Henderson, the caretaker, moved with the grace of a rusty hinge, her whispers rooms. She told stories of the past, each word a jewel carefully echoing in the cavernous ".polished, yet somehow, the entire collection felt like fool's gold

Question: What is the effect of the simile "like a forgotten promise" when describing the old .1
?house

lain the metaphor "moved with the grace of a rusty hinge." What does it tell Question: Exp .2
?us about Mrs. Henderson

Question: The sentence "each word a jewel carefully polished, yet somehow, the entire .3
Explain what this irony suggests .collection felt like fool's gold" contains an element of irony
.about Mrs. Henderson's stories

:2 Passage

He was a man of his word, reliable as a broken clock. Every promise he made was another " ".thread unraveling from the tapestry of their relationship

?ironic simile "reliable as a broken clock" characterize the man Question: How does the .4

Question: Explain the metaphor "Every promise he made was another thread unraveling .5
?"from the tapestry of their relationship." What is the significance of the "tapestry

:3 Passage

The town welcomed him back with open arms, a reception as warm as a glacier. He was, " as different from his former self as a cat is from a dog...or so he -after all, a changed man ".claimed

ier" contribute to the overall Question: How does the simile "a reception as warm as a glac .6
?tone of the passage

as different -Question: What is the irony in the phrase "He was, after all, a changed man .7
?from his former self as a cat is from a dog...or so he claimed."? What does it imply

:4 Passage

laughter was like sunshine on a cloudy day, a welcome distraction from the storm Her" -brewing within her. She was, in reality, a carefully constructed illusion, as genuine as a three ".dollar bill

e on a cloudy day" contrast Question: How does the simile "Her laughter was like sunshin .8
?with the reality described later in the paragraph

dollar bill" reveal about the -Question: What does the simile "as genuine as athree .9
?character's true nature

:5 Passage

a condemned man walking to the He approached the challenge with the enthusiasm of" gallows. He thought to himself that this task was a simple matter and he would complete it ".soon. He finished many weeks after it was set

Question: How does the simile "the enthusiasm of a condemned man walking to the .10
?gallows" show a contrast in the character's approach to challenges

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- 1) It suggests that the house represents something once cherished or anticipated that has now been neglected and abandoned, hinting at a sense of disappointment or unfulfilled potential.
- 2) The metaphor implies that Mrs. Henderson moves slowly, stiffly, and perhaps painfully. It creates an image of someone aged and worn, lacking fluidity and ease.
- 3) The irony suggests that while the stories might be skillfully told and seem valuable on the surface, they ultimately lack authenticity, genuine worth, or perhaps even truthfulness. They are enticing but ultimately deceptive or empty.
- 4) It highlights his unreliability and untrustworthiness. A broken clock is useless for telling time, so the simile emphasizes that he is anything but reliable.
- 5) The tapestry represents the complex and interwoven nature of their relationship. Each promise is meant to strengthen the bond, but instead, they weaken it, causing the relationship to fray and fall apart.
- 6) It takes an ironic and sarcastic tone. The simile suggests that the welcome was, in fact, cold, unwelcoming, and perhaps even hostile.
- 7) The irony is in the phrase "or so he claimed", which casts doubt on the man's assertion that his transformation is superficial or that his feelings have changed. It suggests that his feelings have not truly changed.
- 8) The simile suggests happiness and warmth, while the rest of the paragraph reveals that it is a facade, masking inner turmoil.
- 9) It doesn't exist, dollar bill - This comparison suggests that she is fake or counterfeit. A three-dollar bill is often used as a metaphor for something fake or contrived, so she is as unreal and contrived as it is.
- 10) This is ironic because the character does not feel enthusiastic. It displays that the character doesn't look forward to challenges.