

APPOINTMENT IN SAMARRA

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▣ WHO IS THE NARRATOR OF THE STORY?

ANS: THE NARRATOR OF THE STORY IS DEATH

▣ WHY WAS DEATH SURPRISED AT SEEING THE SERVANT IN BAGHDAD?

ANS: DEATH WAS SURPRISED AT SEEING THE SERVANT IN BAGHDAD BECAUSE SHE HAD AN APPOINTMENT WITH HIM THAT NIGHT AT SAMARRA. SAMARRA IS 70 MILES FROM BAGHDAD.

▣ WHY DID THE SERVANT FLEE TO SAMARRA?

ANS: THE SERVANT FLED TO SAMARRA TO ESCAPE FROM DEATH WHO HAD SHOWN HIM A THREATENING SIGN IN THE MARKET PLACE.

▣ WHAT DO YOU THINK IS THE THEME OF THE STORY?

ANS: THE THEME OF THE STORY IS “THERE IS NO ESCAPE FROM DEATH”.

▣ WHAT DOES 'APPOINTMENT' MEANS IN THIS TALE?

ANS: APPOINTMENT IN THIS TALE MEANS DEATH OF THE SERVANT.

▣ TO WHOM IS THIS STORY BEING TOLD?

ANS: THIS STORY IS BEING TOLD TO SHEPPEY, THE PROTAGONIST OF THE PLAY "SHEPPEY" BY SOMERSET MAUGHAM.

▣ USUALLY DEATH APPROACHES OTHERS.
IN THE STORY THE MERCHANT
APPROACHES DEATH. WHAT DOES THAT
SIGNIFY?

ANS: THE SIGNIFIES THAT DEATH WILL
TAKE AWAY ONLY THOSE WHOM SHE
WANTS AND NOT JUST ANYBODY.