

WUTHERING HEIGHTS

Explanations

- (7) The dismal spiritual atmosphere..... and on
that too. (P. 20)

These lines have been taken from the novel Wuthering Heights authored by Emily Bronte. These lines have an evocative poetic appeal. Mr. Lockwood, the new tenant at Thresherside Grange is depressed by the atmosphere of spiritual discord prevailing in the Heights. He is sympathetic towards Hareton Earnshaw, Hindley's son, who has been degraded to the role of a servant by the cruel heartless Heathcliff. He tried to make friends with Hareton in the absence of Heathcliff. The poor boy responded at once. He felt gratified in being admitted to Mr. Lockwood's room with every possible physical comfort in an atmosphere of spiritual and physical cold. Mr. Lockwood the master made up his mind to show his sympathy for Hareton in the absence of Heathcliff.

Emily Bronte is careful to create the atmosphere of hostility and it will prevail in Wuthering Heights, where Hareton is like a prisoner or a captive in the hands of Heathcliff.

- (8) A sorrowful sight I saw. suffocating snow.

These lines have been taken from the novel, Wuthering Heights by Emily Bronte. Here Mr. Lockwood comforted and consoled Hareton and fed him. Hareton was suffering from depression because of Heathcliff's systematic torture and persecution. As Mr. Lockwood opened the window to examine the sky.