

## **If I were you**

### **Short Answer Questions**

1. Who is the author of the play "If I Were You"?
2. Describe the setting of the play "If I Were You".
3. Who is Gerrard, and what is his profession?
4. How does the intruder enter Gerrard's house?
5. What does the intruder want from Gerrard?
6. Describe the initial reaction of Gerrard when he encounters the intruder.
7. What is the intruder's plan after killing Gerrard?
8. How does Gerrard outsmart the intruder?
9. What false information does Gerrard give to the intruder?
10. How does the play end?

### **Long Answer Questions**

1. Discuss the character of Gerrard in the play. How does he handle the situation with the intruder?
2. Analyze the intruder's character and his motives for breaking into Gerrard's house.
3. Describe the sequence of events that leads to Gerrard capturing the intruder.
4. What strategies does Gerrard use to deceive the intruder and save himself?
5. How does Gerrard's calm and composed nature contribute to his escape plan?
6. Explain the significance of the title "If I Were You". How does it relate to the theme of the play?
7. Describe the themes of deception and cleverness in the play. How are they portrayed through Gerrard's actions?
8. How does the setting of the play enhance the suspense and tension in the story?
9. Discuss the use of humor and irony in the play. Provide examples from the text.
10. How does the play "If I Were You" illustrate the importance of quick thinking and presence of mind?

### **Analytical and Higher Order Thinking Questions**

1. Critically analyze the character dynamics between Gerrard and the intruder. How do their personalities contrast?
2. Examine the use of dialogue in the play to build suspense and develop the plot.
3. Discuss the role of mistaken identity in the play. How does Gerrard use this to his advantage?
4. Analyze the theme of crime and its consequences as depicted in the play.
5. Evaluate the role of wit and intelligence in the resolution of the conflict in "If I Were You".
6. Discuss the significance of Gerrard's profession as a playwright in the context of the play.
7. Examine the psychological manipulation techniques used by Gerrard to control the intruder.

8. Analyze the ending of the play. How does it resolve the central conflict, and what message does it convey?
9. Discuss how the play "If I Were You" reflects the broader theme of survival and adaptability.
10. Evaluate the effectiveness of the play's structure and pacing in maintaining the audience's interest.

### **Discussion and Essay Topics**

1. Debate the importance of intelligence over physical strength, using Gerrard's handling of the intruder as an example.
2. Discuss the ethical implications of Gerrard's deception. Was he justified in lying to the intruder to save himself?
3. Write an essay on the role of quick thinking and presence of mind in crisis situations, drawing examples from the play.
4. Reflect on the theme of identity and how it shapes the characters' actions and motivations in "If I Were You".
5. Analyze the use of suspense and how it contributes to the overall impact of the play.