

**CLASS – 10**

**ENGLISH**

**Footprints without Feet**

**CH-9 : The Book That Saved  
the Earth**

**Part – 5**

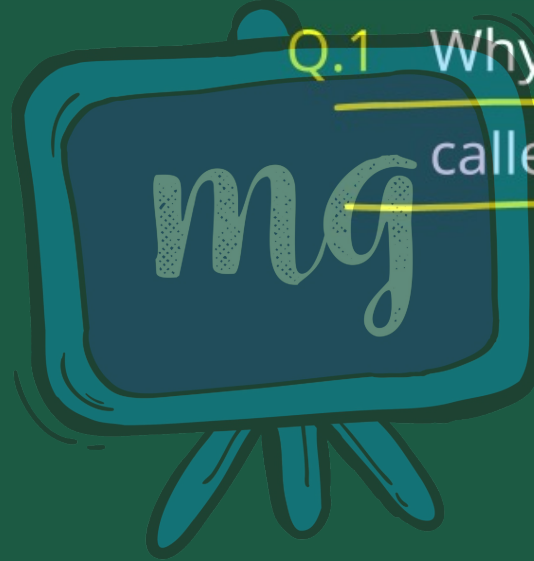
**Comprehension**

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## READ AND FIND OUT

Q.1 Why was the twentieth century  
called the 'Era of the Book'?



**Answer :** The twentieth century was

called the 'Era of the Book'. It was

because there were books about

everything. These were from

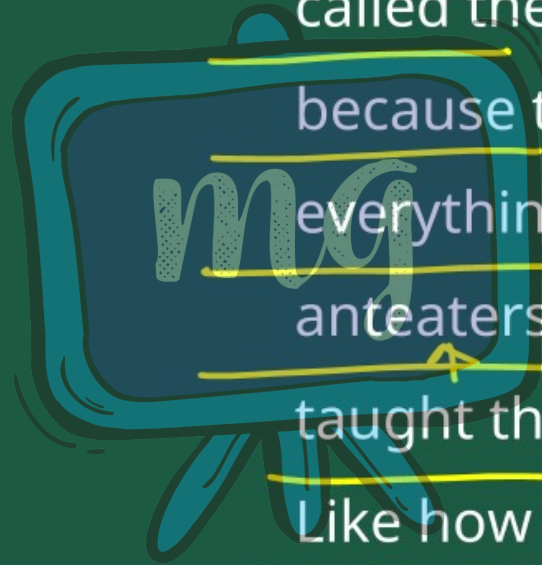
anteaters to Zulus. Then books

taught the people almost everything.

Like how to, when to, where to and

why to. They illustrated, educated,

punctuated and even decorated.



Q.2 Who tried to invade the earth  
in the twenty-first century?



**Answer :** The Martians tried to  
invade the earth in the year 2040.



Q.3 What guesses are made by  
Think-Tank about the books  
found on earth?



Answer : Initially Think-Tank  
guesses that the books are  
sandwiches. Then he calls them  
communication devices. Later he  
says that they are for eye  
communication.



## THINK ABOUT IT

Q.1 Noodle avoids offending Think-  
Tank but at the same time he  
corrects his mistakes. How  
does he manage to do that?

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Answer : Noodle is Think-Tank's  
deputy. He can't offend Think-Tank,  
his senior. But he is aware about his  
mistakes and tries to correct them  
without letting him know.

He does this by presenting his own  
thoughts but referring to them as  
being of no importance.

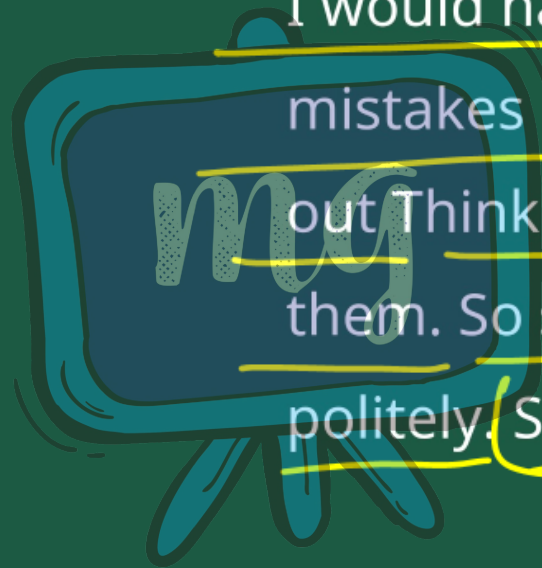
He just shares the correct facts with  
Think-Tank without mentioning that  
he is correcting him.



Q.2 If you were in Noodle's place,  
how would you handle Think-  
Tank's mistakes?



Answer : If I were in Noodle's shoes,  
I would handle Think-Tank's  
mistakes like Noodle. Noodle points  
out Think-Tank's errors and corrects  
them. So shall I. Then he does so  
politely. So I shall also do so.



Q.3 Do you think books are being  
replaced by the electronic  
media? Can we do away with  
books altogether?



**Answer :** Yes, I think that books are being replaced by the electronic media. These are called Compact Discs (CDs).

Online reading has replaced traditional books to a large extent.

We have e-books also.

→ But CDs can't replace books. Books are permanent sort of things.

They can never disappear. On the  
contrary, CDs are liable to  
corruption. Then they can blank out  
through a virus.

Reading a book while holding it in  
hands is altogether a different  
experience that e-books will never  
be able to replace.

