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CLASS – 9

ENGLISH

Beehive

Poem : No Men Are Foreign

Part – 1

Explanation

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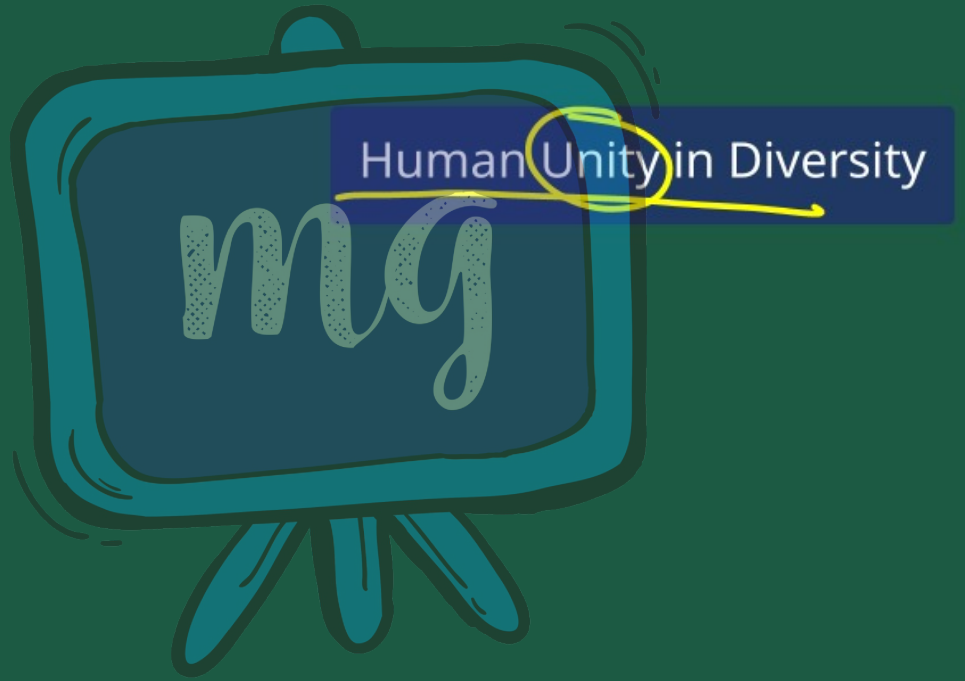
OVERVIEW



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James Harold Kirkup FRSL (23 April 1918 – 10 May 2009)[1] was an English poet, translator and travel writer. He wrote more than 45 books, including autobiographies, novels and plays. He wrote under many pen-names including James Falconer, Aditya Jha, Jun Honda, Andrew James, Taeko Kawai, Felix Liston, Edward Raeburn.

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human being

Remember, no men are strange, no countries foreign
Beneath all uniforms, a single body breathes
Like ours; the land our brothers walk upon
Is earth like this, in which we all shall lie.

Strange	:	अजनबी
Beneath	:	नीचे
Uniforms	:	वस्त्रों
Lie	:	दफ़न रहेंगे

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They too, aware of sun and air and water,
Are fed by peaceful harvests, by
war's long winter starv'd.
Their hands are ours, and in their
lines we read
A labour not different from our own.

Aware	:	अनुभव करना
Starv'd	:	भूखे रहते हुए
Labour	:	परिश्रम

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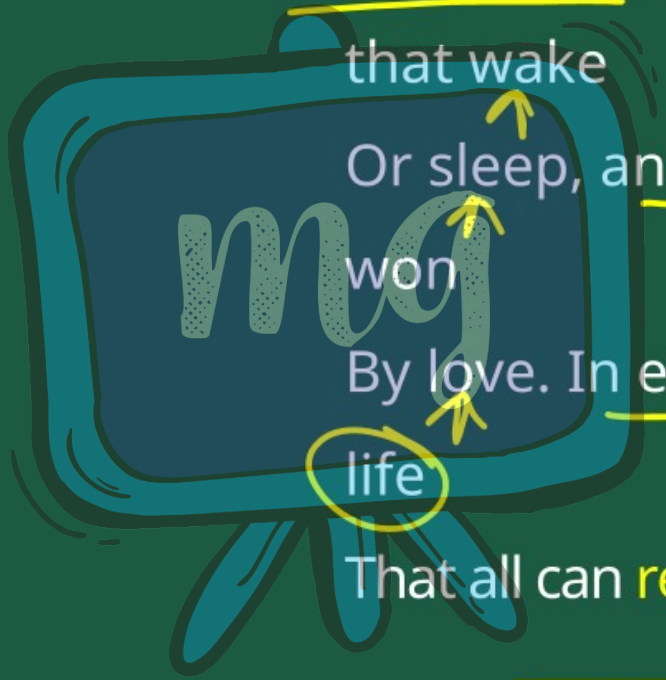

Remember they have eyes like ours
that wake
Or sleep, and strength that can be
won
By love. In every land is common
life
That all can recognise and understand.

Recognise : पहचानना

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Let us remember, whenever we are told
To hate our brothers, it is ourselves
That we shall dispossess, betray, condemn.
Remember, we who take arms against each other

Dispossess	:	वंचित करना/छीन लेना
Betray	:	धोका देना
Condemn	:	बुरा बताना

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It is the human earth that we defile.
Our hells of fire and dust outrage
the innocence
Of air that is everywhere our own,
Remember, no men are foreign
and no countries strange.

Defile	:	अपवित्र करना
Hells	:	नरक
Outrage the innocence	:	पवित्रता का उल्लंघन

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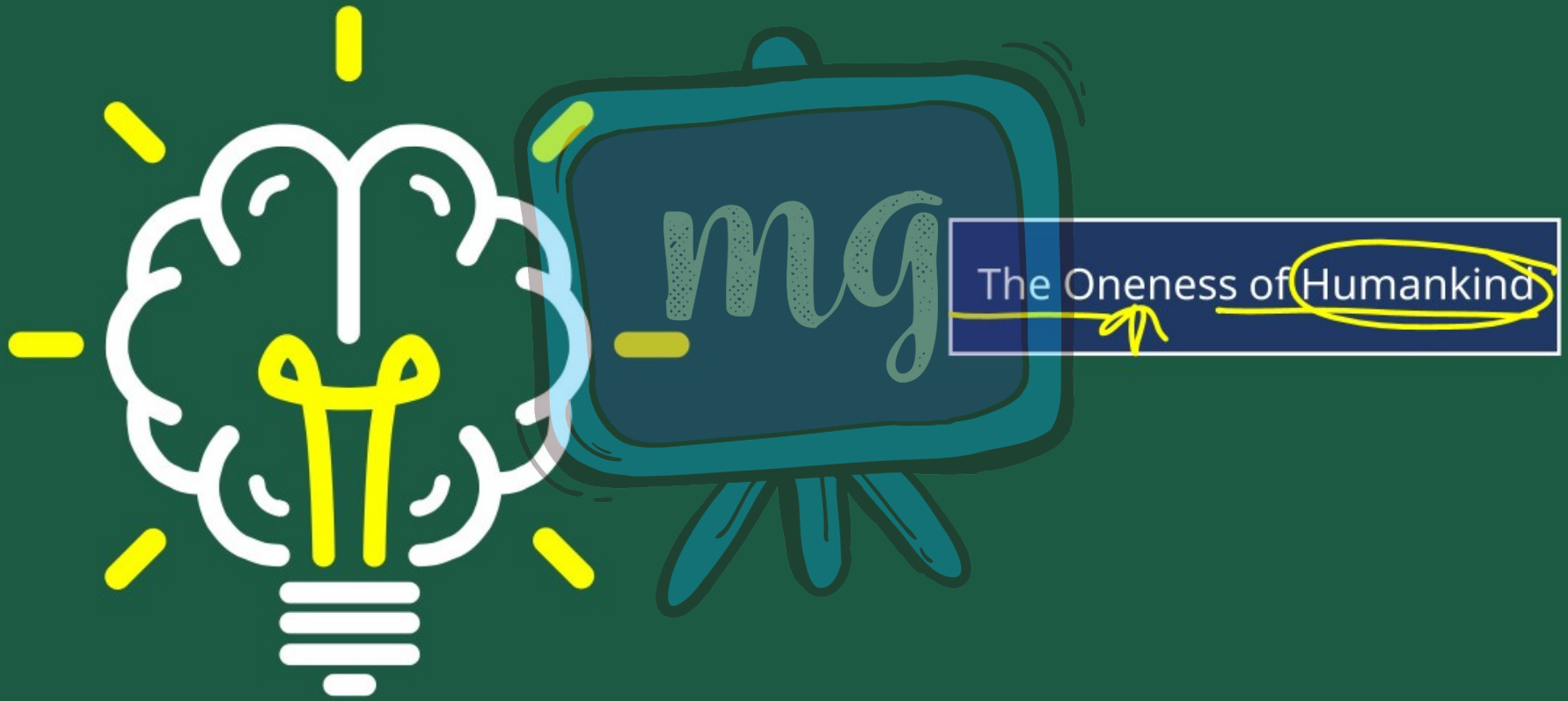

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1 What message this poem conveys?

A Equality and oneness

B Individuality of everyone

C Everyone is different

D None

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2 According to the poet we pollute the earth by .....

A throwing waste.

B hating and killing others (each other).

C cutting plants.

D all

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3 Who instigates the ordinary people to hate?

A Religion

B God

C Selfish people for their personal interests

D All

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4 According to the poem ..... should be discouraged.

A the practice of love and brotherhood

B equality

C ill practice of hatred and discrimination

D None