

HSC Assignment 2022 (2nd Week)
English 1st Paper, Assignment No.1

Assignment : Write (in English) about a Bangla or English short story that you have read.

Assignment answer : Choosing a Short Story: I read an interesting short story written by William Somerset Maugham named "The Luncheon".

Summary of the story

The story is about a lady admirer of the speaker. The speaker is a young writer who received a letter from a lady who highly praised his writing. The speaker also replied thanking her. One day the speaker met the

lady in a five star hotel. He was not too rich but he was flattered. He had 80 francs. He thought that he could manage the lunch easily. He requested the lady to choose the food item from the menu book. She assured that she doesn't eat much food. So the speaker ordered salmon fish that was expensive. Later the speaker asked if she liked anything. The lady replied that she liked carviatze thought it was horribly expensive. Then she enjoyed champagne, asparagus, coffee and finally the salmon. The speaker was sweating - He was too anxious

if he could pay the bill or not. He didn't take anything except a mutton chop. Finally he manages the lunch paying the total amount of the whole month.

What I liked And Did not Like

I like the way the speaker narrates the story. He uses metaphors in the story. As first Person narrator the speaker easily depicts the inner feeling of the character. The speaker also shows humor narrating the story. For example at the end of the story he mentions "today she weights twenty-one stone":

There are number of climaxes in the story. I do not like that flat line of the climax graph. It is not too high. It could be more interesting.

My changes In the story

If someone asked me to change the story then I would decrease the number of climaxes. I would decrease the flat line of the climax graph in high. Finally I could make the story more interesting to the readers.

Concluding Statement

Although the story has some de —