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OF ADAPTATION

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Abstract

Man adapts. He must adapt. He is bound to adapt. Thus, man willy-nilly adapts infinite times from cradle to grave. So, adaptation is observed every sphere of life in different forms and features with varied degree and dimension as well.

Keywords: Adaptation, adjust, modify, fit, manage, accommodate

Introduction

Creative writing is based more on manifestation rather than on expression. It does not inform rather reveals, so it bears no reference. The best creative writing is critical, and the best critical writing is creative. The present article is the outcome of creative writing meant for lay readers. As such free style is the methodology adopted so that pleasure of reading can be enjoyed by the common mass. As you know well that Francis Bacon (1561-1626), the immortal essayist, wrote many essays and notably, Of Love, Of Friendship, Of Ambition, Of Studies, etc. The myriad-minded genius rightly pointed out that all the words of the dictionary can be the themes of essays one can write. But little has been done, in this regard since his death, in order to finish his unfinished monumental works. In fact, Bacon's way of presentation i.e., his unique style kindled the imagination already in me and encouraged me as well to write essays, in the light of creative writing, thus, to get relief through Catharsis.

Of Adaptation

Adaptation means to adjust readily to different conditions. It is to make something suitable for a new use, situation, etc. It is to modify something. It is to make suitable to requirements or conditions. It is to

adjust or modify fittingly. It is to adjust oneself to a new environment, different conditions, etc. Fit person always survives. So, survival of the fittest is observed everywhere. As such an adaptable person is always happy. He can manage any trouble. He is always ready to face any trouble. He is not afraid of trouble of any kind. Rather trouble is afraid of him. To him a trouble is not a trouble at all until or unless a trouble someone. Thus, adaptation is a great virtue. Fit, accommodate, reconcile, adjust are synonymous. Adaptation is a form or structure modified to fit changed environment. As per biology it is any alteration in the structure or function of an organism or any of its parts by which the organism becomes better fitted to survive in its environment. Thus, adapt is to make fit or suitable by changing or adjusting. It is to adjust oneself to new or changed circumstances. It is equally true in case of human being also, otherwise the victim will be laughed at or be ragged or both simultaneously. From physiological point of view, it is a change, usually a decrease, in response of sensory receptor organs following an alteration in intensity or frequency of environmental stimuli. It is the natural reactions of a sense organ to variations in the degree of stimulation. As per ophthalmology it is regulation by the pupil of

the quantity of light entering the eye. As per sociology it is a slow modification of individual and social activity in adjustment to cultural surroundings. It is a gradual change in behaviour to conform to the prevailing cultural pattern. Adaptor or adapter is a person or thing that adapts. Further, adaptor or adapter is a device for connecting pieces of equipment that were not originally designed to be connected. It is a type of electrical plug that makes it possible to connect several electrical appliances to one socket. Man adapts. He must adapt. He is bound to adapt. Thus, man willy-nilly adapts infinite times from cradle to grave. So, adaptation is observed every sphere of life in different forms and features with varied degree and dimension as well. An adaptation of an opera for television is very common modern practice. This machine has been specially adapted for use under water. These styles can be adapted to suit individual tastes. It is to alter a book or play to make it more suitable for television, the stage, etc. An adaptation for children of a play by Shakespeare is very popular among the school children thereby to their parents as well. This novel has been adapted for radio i.e. translated and changed so that it can be presented on the radio from the Russian original. It is to become adjusted to new conditions, etc. Our eyes slowly adapted to the dark. Some tourists can adapt quickly to the new climate. Those who cannot adjust with the new climate fall ill. He is not very adaptable i.e. does not adjust easily to new circumstances, etc. Such a person is ill-famed as an unsocial. He becomes isolated. The wise contends that the world will not adjust; rather one must adjust with the world for the sake of mere existence. Wind blows. The sun rises. Both wind and sun move. Man can get air or light without moving. Now, a novice may think that all will move and come to it at its beckon. A mountain moves not. One must go to the mountain. A fool knows it not. As such it orders the mountain to come to it but waits in vain. The wise knows that the mountain does not move like air or sun. As such the learned goes to the mountain and enjoys its robust beauty. Here lies the utility and importance of adaptation. Only a wise

knows and be successful. A fool knows it not. As such it suffers and experiences failure. Stories adapted from the Bible have much didactic impacts among the school children. It enriches the tender souls with moral values that pave the way to be good Samaritans who are the asset of the nation. Adaptability is especially able to adapt oneself to new surroundings. An adaptive economic strategy offers much profit to the business houses. It both saves and survives. Here lies the importance of managers. Adapt, adjust, accommodate, conform are synonymous. Adapt implies a modifying so as to suit new conditions and suggests flexibility for adapt oneself to a new environment. Adjust describes the bringing of things into proper relation using skill or judgement. To adjust brakes and to adjust differences are two realities as are experienced with. Accommodate implies a subordinating of one thing to the needs of another and suggests concession or compromise. He accommodated his walk to the halting steps of his friend. Conform means to bring or act in harmony to some standard pattern, principle, etc. To conform to specifications is the key to success of a successful individual. One can adapt new environment easily. One cannot. He must learn it. He must acquire that mechanism for his own interest rather for the sake of mere existence. Some persons adjust. Some persons adjust not. Both are personality traits. A wise does not adjust everywhere. Adaptation and compromise are not synonymous. A judicious person never compromises with quality. He never adapts corruption. A master does not adapt. A slave must adapt. A king orders. Also, an angry person orders. But it must carry out orders due to its baseless anger which seldom pays. A bride, in the patriarchal society, is the greatest victim of adaptation. She is bound to bow down to the members of her in-laws in the name of so-called adaptation. She does it not to make her happy, rather to confirm the happiness of her parents.

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No reference, since the present article is an outcome of Creative Writing