

## UNIT-2-A THE DEAR DEPARTED-1

### **What is a play?**

a piece of writing performed by actors in a theatre or on television or radio

### **What is a one-act play?**

A one-act play is a play with one act consisting of one or more scenes

One-act play ఏకాంకం

**Dramatist** = a person who writes plays for the theatre, television or radio

**SYNONYM:** PLAYWRIGHT

**Vigorous** = strong

**Plump** = Round and fat

**red-faced** = angry

**D'ye** = Do you...

**be off** = be away / go away

**It would never do for them to find you in**

**colours** = It would not be good to be in colourful clothes and be seen by them

**for ages (idiom)** = for a long time

**talk over (Phrasal verb. V)** = discuss

**stooping** = bending

**drooping** = hanging

**moustache** = the hair that grows on the upper lip of men

**set foot in** = to enter or visit a place

**wear out (Phr. V)** = become damaged or useless

**bear up (Phr. V)** = Show courage and determination during difficult times

**my heart is fit to break** = I am upset and worried

**Trifles** = things that are not valuable/important

**You'd better wear these slippers** = You should wear these slippers. (Advice)

**Bureau** = A desk with drawers

**sharp** = Intelligent

**She'll see** = she will understand

**Drive a hard bargain** = to demand a lot or refuse to give too much when you are making an agreement

**stupefied** = surprised

**daft** = stupid and silly

**It doesn't seem delicate** = stealing the bureau is not a sensible thing to do (not morally correct)

**shabby** = poor in condition

**welcome** = be pleased (happy)

**get rid of (idiom)** = to throw away something you do not want

**fasten** = lock/close

**get your coat off** = remove your coat

**according to** = as stated by

**pinch** = steal

**fetch** = bring

**mantelpiece** = a shelf above a fireplace

**appeal to** = attract

**flushed** = red in the face

**stagger** = walk unsteadily

**usher in** = to show way in (= welcome in)

**the latter** = the second of two people/things just mentioned

**the former** = the first of two people/things just mentioned

**complacent** = pleased and satisfied

**air** = manner/attitude

**outfit** = clothes

**mourning** = sadness over someone's death

**jolly** = happy

**adapt to** = adjust to

**regrettable** = sad

**sails into** = moves into

**solemnly** = seriously

**fortnight** = two weeks

**give way** = become emotional

**merry** = happy

**he was too honourable to have gone without paying his premium...** He could

not have died without paying his premium

**snug** = warm and comfortable

**for all the world as if** = exactly like

**at length** (idiom) = for a long time

**look through** = look for (search for)

**furniture** = chairs, tables, etc.

(always singular)

**sort** = type

**He was very fond of Jimmy** = He liked

Jimmy very much

**I don't think grandpa went** = I think

grandpa did not go

**overdue** = not paid by the expected time

**on purpose** = deliberately; intentionally

**nothing short of** = not less than (equal to)

**put up with** = tolerate; bear

**turn him over to us** = send him to our

care

**pick up (Phr. V) = to buy something,**

**especially cheaply**

**scared** = frightened

**crazy** = mentally ill

**Hist** (interjection) = used to attract

attention

**chuckling** = quiet laugh

**revealing** = showing

**faded** = dull looking

**gay** = attractive

**stockinged** = with socks on but no shoes

**malicious** = unkind and cruel

**twinkle** = shine

**eyebrow** /'aɪbrəʊ/ ಎಬ್ರೂ

**ghost** = the spirit of a dead person