



## ENGLISH

### 5. FOOTPRINTS WITHOUT FEET

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Read the following extracts carefully and answer the questions that follow:

1. They naturally gave chase. In the end he was able to escape only by quickly taking off his newly found clothes. So once more he found himself invisible but naked in the chill January air.
  - (a) Who are 'they' and 'he' referred to in the above extract?
  - (b) Why has the author used the phrase 'once more'?
  - (c) Find a word from the extract that means the same as 'run away'.
  - (d) What is the opposite of 'invisible'?
2. Suspicion grew even stronger when he suddenly produced some ready cash, though he had admitted not long before that he had no money.
  - (a) Who is 'he' in the above extract?
  - (b) What was 'he' suspected for?
  - (c) Find a word / phrase from the extract that means the same as 'money'.
  - (d) Give a synonym of 'suddenly'.

#### Short Answer Type Questions

3. Why did Griffin decide to slip into a big London store?
4. What did Griffin do in the shop of a theatrical company?
5. What did the Halls see in the scientist's room?
6. How did the visible man become invisible? What did he do then?

#### Long Answer Type Questions:

7. Describe the landlord's and his wife's experience with the strange scientist.  
Ans. Both Mrs Hall and her husband were surprised to find the scientist's room door open because normally it was always locked. So they peeped in, but found nobody there. The clothes and bandages that he always wore were lying about the room. Suddenly Mrs Hall heard a sniff close to her ear and the hat on the bedpost leapt up and dashed itself into her face. Then the bedroom chair sprang into the air and pushed them both out of the room and then appeared to slam and lock the door after them. Mrs Hall became hysterical and almost fell down the stairs. She thought that her furniture was haunted. They decided to confront the scientist next time when they met him.
8. What impression do you form of Griffin after reading the lesson, "Footprint, without Feet"?  
Ans. Griffin was a brilliant scientist, as he discovered a drug due to which his body became transparent as a sheet of glass after swallowing it. This made him invisible. But he was a lawless person. Because of his misdeeds, he became a homeless wanderer without clothes and money. He was an introvert with a desire for solitude. He was always seeking adventure, being fond of mysterious things. However, he was unscrupulous, as he robbed various people to finance his work, besides he got angry very quickly, which caused him to become a fugitive.



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