

# READING MATERIALS ON FOOTPRINTS WITHOUT FEET

## INTRODUCTION TO THE STORY:-

Griffin a scientist discovered a drug to make a human body invisible. After he took that medicine he became invisible “transparent as a sheet of glass ---though it also remained as solid as glass”. Now as the story unfolds it is to be seen whether he used or misused his discovery.

## SUMMARY OF THE STORY:-

Griffin the brilliant scientist became invisible after he took a certain drug which he had discovered himself. His landlord disliked him as he was a lawless man and thus he was thrown away. In return Griffin set fire the house of his landlord. As a result he had no shelter. Moreover he had to take out his clothes to be invisible.

Then in order to escape from the cold he entered a mall and when the shops were closed , he unboxed some clothes and made himself comfortable. Then he had meat and coffee from a restaurant kitchen followed by sweets and wine from a grocery. Then he fell asleep over some quilt.

In the morning he was seen by the shop assistants and was chased away. Again he had to wander without any clothes in the cold winters of London.

After that he decided to steal clothes from a theatre company. After stealing he escaped by hitting the shopkeeper.

Then he went to Iping village for he needed solitude. There he took two rooms in an inn. But the villagers were curious to see him. After some days two curious things happened in the village. Somebody stole money from the clergyman’s house and secondly the landlord and the landlady of the inn were attacked by a chair. For these things Griffin was suspected.

Then before the village constable arrived Griffin was confronted by the landlady. He got angry and took off his dresses one by one and thus becoming invisible. In this way Griffin was able to escape.

### **QUICK REVISION NOTES:-**

1. Two boys on a London street were surprised to see fresh muddy footprints of bare feet from nowhere.
2. These footprints were made by the invisible scientist Griffin. He became invisible after taking some drugs which he had discovered himself.
3. To escape being seen after he had burned his landlord's house he had become invisible.
4. Then Griffin entered into a big store to get warmth and food.
5. In the morning he was seen by the assistants of the shops and was chased away.
6. Then he decided to steal from a theatre company. Then he got away after attacking the shopkeeper.
7. Then he went to Iping village where all the villagers were curious to see him.
8. There he stole money from the clergyman and afterwards attacked the landlord and his wife.
9. He got angry after being confronted by the landlady of the inn.
10. Then he became invisible and thus escaped from there.

### **CONCLUSION OF THE STORY:-**

We must not misuse our strength but rather use it for the welfare of the people and the society.

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