

ST. XAVIER'S SCHOOL PURULIA

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LESSEON – 1 GOING ON AN ADVENTURE

SUMMARY:

It is a Spanish story about how a gentleman prepares to go on an adventure . Many years ago there lived in Spain an old fashioned gentleman who had many peculiar ways and unusual things which not only made his neighbours laugh and upset his friends but himself famous throughout the world. Noone outside of his village seemed to know his real name as" the good Mr. Quixana". He was gentle and kind and vey brave and who knew him loved him as an old fashioned gentlemen apt to be . His odd apperance and dress , his face was thin long nose, head turning grey quite tall and thin and he was more than fifty years of age . He did not work much but he was absorbed in reading books . When the weather was fine he would sit in his library or under apple trees in his garden and read all day. He would forget his horse ,dog and his friends when he was absored in his books. His whole mind was given in stories of knights and there daring deeds .His mind was fully made up to be a knight. He thought himself to be armed in a coat of mail , get up on a horse to ride on into the world to seek adventures no danger shall frighten him , with his strong arm he will go forth to protect the weak and to be friend the friendless . Yes , he will be a knight to fight against the error . Every knight he said has the right to put a spainsh title like sir at the beginning of his name which also addressed as Don. Thus , he will call himself Don Quixote and shall be known throughout world as Don Quixote de la Mancha which is an honourable title . In the old days a knight always had an assistant which Don Quixote looked for as a squire . Sancho Panza a plump and friendly man agrreded to be his squire. After weeks of labour and study they set forth into seek adventures . Don Quixote rode his horse called Rocinante and Sancho Panza on his grey mule Dapple . As they were riding on along a highway , they saw a horseman coming slowly towards them" see there!" cried Don Quixote ." he thought of having an adventure which will bring glory to his name because the horseman whom he saw was wearing something on his head that glittered like gold . It will be an achivement for him because the horseman was a knight and the helmet he was wearing was Mambrino's helmet a frictional king of the medieval period.