

ENGLISH



THE GREAT STONE FACE I

~Summary~

-by Nathaniel Hawthorne

The Great Stone Face, written by **Nathaniel Hawthorne**, is an **interesting, fanciful** short **story**. It is woven around the character named **Ernest**. Ernest, inspired by the **legend** narrated by his mother on The Great Stone Face, **awaits** its arrival from his **childhood** days.



A little boy waiting

The legend is, **a Child** will be born resembling this **image**, exhibiting **noble** qualities. Such a divine kid would be the **greatest person of his age**. He spent hours gazing at the Great Stone Face every day, once his routine work gets completed. When there is a **rumour** on the arrival of such a person **resembling a great stone face**, his inner voice **dismissed** it with a **reason**, that it is not so. It is because he couldn't relate that person (Mr. Gathergold) to the Great Stone Face.



The Rich Man

The rumour did not last long, but when **Gathergold died** in **poverty**, people refused to accept him to be the human Great Stone Face. Ernest still awaited its arrival. Again a day came, when a chief **Commander** who is the citizen of the Valley, **returned**, to live his final days in his native. People **again portrayed** him to be the human Great Stone Face.



The Commander

Again, Ernest **dismissed** the claim with the reason he **does not resemble** its appearance. His **quest** to see **The Great Stone Face's** human figure never ended till the end, but **continued**.

~Conclusion~

The chapter – The Great Stone Face – Part 1 illustrates to students about Ernest's arduous search to find out the man who would return to the valley one day and resemble the Great Stone Face. Presenting the CBSE Class 8 English Honeydew Prose Summary of The Great Stone Face – Part 1 that must have helped 8th Standard students to have an extensive understanding of the chapter.