

## Creative Writing

# Of Relief

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**Abstract:** Only a blessed soul gets relief. A cursed soul suffers. All tries to get relief. Few get it. A person if dies suddenly then near and dear ones mourn. If a person suffers long then he becomes patient. Such a patient offers relief to the family members through death. Suicide offers relief to the deceased but it is a permanent pain to the relatives.

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## INTRODUCTION

Creative writing is based more on manifestation rather than on expression. It does not inform, rather it reveals. So it bears no reference. The best creative writing is critical, and the best critical writing is creative. This article is an outcome of thinking about creative writing meant for a general readership. As such, I have adopted a free style methodology so that everyone can enjoy the pleasure of reading. As you might know, Francis Bacon (1561-1626), the immortal essayist, wrote many essays namely 'Of Love', 'Of Friendship', 'Of Ambition', 'Of Studies', and so on. The multiple-minded genius correctly pointed out that all the words of the dictionary can be used as themes for essays. But little has been done since his death to continue or finish his monumental task. Bacon's unique individual style of presentation ignited my imagination and encouraged me to write creative essays as a method of relieving a wide range of emotions through catharsis.

## ARTICLE

Relief is a feeling of happiness that something unpleasant has not happened or has ended. It also means the reduction or end of pain.

It is food, money, or services that provide help for people in need. It is money, food and clothing that is sent to people who are in a difficult situation because of a war, flood, very bad storm, etc. It is financial help that the government gives to people who are poor, unemployed, etc.

It is financial help that is given to people, companies, or countries that cannot pay their taxes or debts.

It is something that interrupts in a welcome way. For example: The rain was a relief from dry weather.

It is release from a post or from performance of a duty e.g. relief of a guard. It is redress, assistance, or protection given by law especially from a court.

It is a method of raising shapes above a flat surface so that they appear to stand out slightly from it. It is a sculpture made from a flat surface in which the forms are raised above the surface.

Man faces infinite numbers of problems from cradle to coffin. There are two types of persons. The first category solves the problem self and gets desired relief. He likes not to take help from others. He likes not to depend on third

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party. It hurts his ego. He possesses a reserve personality. The second category takes help of others to overcome the problem thus faced. If a person solves the problem self and gets relief then it is more enjoyable. Self-help has no substitute. It itself is its substitute and most secured relief.

In case of second option the question of return or reciprocation arises automatically. A Good Samaritan never asks for return. A sly person encashes that help always. Sometimes he declines to take immediate reciprocation and keeps it as fixed asset and claims whenever he wishes with enormous return as interest. A banker gives loan. Such a loan can be repaid and the debtor gets relief. It is true that a help in danger cannot be repaid in terms of money especially where the question of life and death is involved.

During any festival or get together bad weather or local disturbance is a hindrance for enjoyment. People get relief when these problems disappear. Constant and untiring works render a person unhappy. Leave offers him relief thereby makes him happy. Justice delayed means justice denied. To get justice thereby relief is a long troublesome process. A person gets immense relief when he gets legal justice from court.

A lay man enjoys relief when crisis is over. A sly person keeps the problem alive for permanent gain whenever and wherever required. He does not want relief. He enjoys sadistic pleasure. That is his relief. No relief is his relief. That is his single agenda. He possesses a different philosophy towards life.

A fool becomes happy getting relief from pain or problem. A wise tries to find the cause of pain and takes precaution so that he has not to face that problem in future again. Through relief he gathers experience. Also he thinks the way out if he faces various traps and troubles in future. Theoretical model does not offer him relief. He applies that model in reality to get desired relief. If he fails then he remodels the model and amends it accordingly. No model is permanent. It changes with the passage of time. The model should be time tested. Culture free model is the best of all.

An unfortunate person struggles for existence always. His long experience helps to overcome the future problems. Through experience he becomes confident. Sometimes trouble becomes so difficult that he dies. Again, he feels bored if he faces no trouble. Problem is his daily drama. He enjoys it rather. To him variety is the spice of life. He readily and crazily adds that spice in his life to make it more palatable thereby to get relief from tediousness and monotony which are agony to any sensible person.

There are two types of persons. The first category is afraid of trouble and always tries to get relief. The second category enjoys problem. He is so seasoned. If he has no problem he becomes sad. To him no problem itself is a problem. He is not afraid of problem; rather problem is afraid of him. In fact, he is a problem child.

Both mother and baby may be hungry at a time. At first mother feeds the baby who gets relief. Then mother eats. Mother bears the pain of hunger for the sake of relief of her baby. Mother forgets the pain noticing the smiling face of her children. Mother starves and feeds the baby in case of scarcity of food even. Thus mother enjoys pain caused by hunger and starvation. It is called motherly affection. That's why mother is greatest of all.

If a person suffers from physical pain and gets relief then it is called physiological relief. If another person suffers from mental agony and gets relief then it is called psychological relief. Between the two psychological pain pains more and superior in nature.

Medical science offers relief from physical pain through pain killer or medication. Also a lunatic person gets relief through medicine or proper counselling. Lovers suffer from psychological pain. Medicine cannot give relief to a lover. They say time is the best healing balm. But this theory does not work always. Sometimes a lover remains bachelor even. There is no substitute of lover. A lover itself is his/her substitute. This vacancy cannot be filled up by anybody else. As such, a sentimental lover, sometimes, cannot bear the separation and commits suicide. Thus relief is achieved in that unique way. In such context a wise contends that those who commit suicide are well advised that life has its sweet side too.

There are various types of relief viz., disaster relief, flood relief, drought relief, enormous relief, etc.

Relief is a blessing to the distressed people. It is the last resource of the have-nots. Down-trodden people exist on it and try to reach a better future. It is the advantage of any democratic nation. In democracy if distribution is even then there will be no scarcity. But it does not happen always. It is not the drawback of democracy but demerit of planners or implementers or both. In fact democratic government is a philosopher. Welfare is its only mission and vision as well. As such democracy is the greatest of all and worshipped everywhere.

Further, relief has a dark side also. It is the store house of corruption. It is the business of dishonest politicians. Corrupted public employees offer an extra dimension in it through the unholy alliance with the shrewd politicians. Politicians purchase voters through gratified rationing. Gratified rationing implies collection of gratitude through sadistic pleasure. They pretend that public distribution system is their private enterprise.

Medical science says that fever is not a disease. It is symptom of a disease. They say allopathic treats basing on the symptom. The patient gets relief after taking medicine. Every medical treatment has definite course of taking medicine for full recovery thereby relief. A callous patient does not complete the course, rather stops taking medicine in the mid way after getting some relief. As a result the disease relapses again. The paradox is that the disease may come back even the patient completes the whole course of taking medicine. Also the patient may experience side effect as bonus. This is the drawback of allopathic medicine. To overcome this problem the idea of homeopathic came into existence. They say homeopathic uproots the disease totally. Its recovery is slow but steady. It sides all side effects. The patient gets permanent relief through placebo. .

Thus there is allopathy. There is homeopathy. But sympathy is the greatest of all. Homeopathy costs less but takes more time. Allopathy costs more but takes lesser time. But sympathy being the shared emotion costs nothing but cures free of cost and instant as well.

## CONCLUSION

Only a blessed soul gets relief. A cursed soul suffers. All tries to get relief. Few get it. A person if dies suddenly then near and dear ones mourn. If a person suffers long then he becomes patient. Such a patient offers relief to the family members through death. Suicide offers relief to the deceased but it is a permanent pain to the relatives.

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