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## Worksheet: The Snake and the Mirror (Vaikom Muhammad Basheer)

NIOS · Class 9 · English · 5 questions · 13 marks

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**Q1.** Who wrote 'The Snake and the Mirror' and in what language did he originally write? *[1 mark]*

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**Q2.** Why did the snake not bite the doctor? *[1 mark]*

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**Q3.** Describe the doctor's vanity before the snake's appearance. *[3 marks]*

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**Q4.** What does the doctor learn from his encounter with the snake? *[3 marks]*

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**Q5.** Discuss how Vaikom Muhammad Basheer uses humour to convey a serious moral message. Refer specifically to the irony of the snake also admiring itself in the mirror. *[5 marks]*

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