



	<b>ENGLISH</b> <b>Journey to the end of the Earth and The Rattrap</b>	
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## Answer the questions in 30-40 words:

- Q1 How do geological phenomena aid our understanding of human history?
- Q2 What signs point to a bright future for humanity?
- Q3 Akademik Shokalskiy was heading towards Antarctica, why?
- Q4 Name the programme and its objectives.
- Q5 After reaching Gondwana, what were the students' reactions?
- Q6 Gondwana existed before six hundred and fifty million years ago. Explain.
- Q7 How does Antarctica factor into environmentalists' debates?
- Q8 Why did Geoff Green begin to only take pupils to Antarctica?
- Q9 Why is Antarctica the ideal location for studying nature?
- Q10 Why the programme 'Students on Ice' became so successful?
- Q11 What justifications does Geoff Green give for bringing high school kids along on the Students on Ice Expedition?
- Q12 "Take care of the small things and the big things will take care of themselves: What is the relevance of this statement in the context of the Antarctic environment?
- Q13. Why did the peddler think that the world was a rattrap?
- Q14. Why did the peddler knock on the cottage by the roadside? How was he treated by the owner of the cottage?
- Q15. Why did Edla still entertain the peddler even after she knew the truth about him?
- Q16. What was the content of the letter written by the peddler to Edla?
- Q17. Why did the peddler decline the invitation of the ironmaster?
- Q18. Who was the owner of Ramsjo iron mills? Why did he visit the mills at night?
- Q19. How did the ironmaster react on seeing the stranger lying close to the furnace?
- Q20. Why was the crofter so talkative and friendly with the peddler?
- Q21. Did the stranger agree to go to the ironmaster's house? Why or why not?
- Q22. What brought about a change in the life of the peddler?
- Q23. If the Christmas spirit is about selflessness, forgiveness and becoming 'better' versions of ourselves amongst other things, Edla Willmansson is the epitome of this spirit. Justify with two points of evidence from The Rattrap.
- Q24. A mistaken identity led to a discovery of a new one for the rattrap peddler. How did this impact him?
- Q25. Explain the metaphor of the rattrap in context of the story by Selma Lagerlöf.