

**Unit – 6**

**Mystery**

**Section -3**

**THE LISTENERS – Walter John de Mare**

**2.Answer the following questions:**

**a)** I think the inmates of the house were spirits of people who had lived there a long time back. This is evident from the phrase ‘phantom listeners’

used by the poet. The poet also describes in great detail how they came together and listened to the calls made by the traveler, who the poet says clearly, came from the world of men.

b) The poet uses a moonlight night and not a day as the poem’s setting since the sense of mystery is best represented in the night. There is not the same sense of mystery in a day.