

## **TRACE – BOOK REVIEW CLUB**

The Department helps the students in enhancing their capability in reading, reviewing, interpreting and communicating skills.

The Club was started in the Academic Year 2018-2019 to create awareness among the students on the Literary books. The students are given opportunity to review a book twice in a month. Students can review Poems, Dramas, Novels as per their interest. The review of a Book / Work will be notified to the Coordinator of the club and it will be presented and discussed among the students / club members.

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**Don't Quit**  
**Edgar Albert Guest**

Edgar Albert Guest (1881-1959) was an American poet who was a popular in the first half of the 20<sup>th</sup> century and became known as the people's poet. His poems often had an inspirational and optimistic view of everyday life. 'Don't Quit' is an inspirational poem that talks about perseverance. It urges the reader to keep trying, no matter what, because you never know which blow by the hammer may break the stone. The narrator of the poem uses many instances of misfortune like poor financial conditions low place, say that none of these is a good enough reason to stop. He says that we never know how close one might be to one's goal. Inspire of how tires one might be of the journey, the narrator urges the reader to take rest and continue, but never quit. Life is like a roller coaster, with its twists and turns. And you can never predict what will happen next. This poem describes how life can beat you down but I order to succeed, you need to pick yourself up and try again.

My favorite line in this poem is "Success is failure turned inside out/ the silver tints of the clouds of doubt". Failure does not mean that your attempts was totally flawed, but that you may have made a few minor missteps that made you come up short of success. Some might think that this poem is just words, but words can be churned into thoughts and thoughts can inspire decisive actions and deeds that lead to success. So, next time you are up until midnight studying or enduring a tough sport workout, imagine yourself facing the "Victor's cup" in the end. I highly recommend you to read this poem. Give yourself sometime g worth towards and think these words:

"I must stick to the fight when I'm hardest hit,  
It's when things seem worst that I mustn't quit".

**The review of a student in Trace Book Review Club**