

## UNIT – 6 - SECTION 2 – GUILTY

Answer the following

**1. As the curtain rises, Ma Ryan is just finishing making bed. Why do you think she sighs after patting the bed?**

Ma Ryan sighs because it is ten and she knows that her son is toiling at a job, which she thinks is not deserving of his education.

**2. Ma Ryan and Mrs. Moore react differently to the news of Larry getting ten years in jail. What does this difference tell us about their character?**

Mrs Moore supports the way Larry has been sentenced for his crime. This shows that for her law is above everything else. Unlike Ma Ryan, she does not feel any sympathy for Larry. This reveals the stern nature Mrs Moore has. On the other hand, Ma Ryan is a soft-hearted lady. She is more bothered about how ten valuable years have been taken out of a young man's life. She has a kind, forgiving nature which makes her think the sentence is too harsh. The fact that she is worried about the company that her son had been keeping shows that somewhere in her mind she feels that the same fate could befall her son as well