

Std 10.

ENGLISH LITERATURE

(MOV-R2)

THE MERCHANT OF VENICE (R-2)

Gratiano: And it is a marvel he out-dwells his hour, for lovers ever run before the clock

Salarino: Often times faster Venus' regions fly to seal love's bond new-made, than they are wont to keep obliged faith unforfeited!

1. Where does this scene take place?
Who has out-dwelt his hour?
Normally what do the lovers do as far as the appointed time is concerned?
2. Who is Venus? How does Venus's regions behave as far as love is concerned?
3. How does Gratiano explain the state of people in love just after this extract?

