

**APPENDIX I**  
**BIOGRAPHY OF FRANZ KAFKA**

Franz Kafka was born in Prague, 3<sup>rd</sup> July 1883. He was the eldest son from his parents. They were Hermann Kafka who was the fourth child of Jakob Kafka, and Julie Kafka (née Löwy) who was the daughter of Jakob Lowy. He had two brothers and three sisters. His brothers' names were George and Heinrich, then his sisters' name were Gabriele (Ellie), Valerie (Valli), and Ottilie (Ottla). Franz Kafka was from a middle-class family. His father worked as travelling salesman and his mother worked as a prosperous merchant in Pödebrady. Meanwhile, Franz Kafka worked as a lawyer by obtaining employment with an insurance company.

Franz Kafka started his elementary school in 1889 to 1893 at *Masný trh/Fleischmarkt* (meat market) or Masna Street. After leaving elementary school, from 1893 until 1901, he continued his school in academic secondary school at Old Town Square. Then, he began to study chemistry in 1901 at *Deutsche Karls-Ferdinands-Universität* of Prague. At that university, Franz Kafka also took classes in German studies and art history. Besides that, he also joined a student club, namely Reading and Lecture Hall of the German Students which organized literary events, readings and other activities. So, in his life, he used German language to communicate with his family and other people.

Franz Kafka was a German language writer of novel and short stories, he regarded as one of the most influential author of the 20th century. The works that had been created by him, such as *Betrachtung* or *Contemplation* (1908), *Beschreibung eines Kampfes* or *Description of a Struggle* (1904), *Das Urteil* or

*The Judgment* (1912), *Die Verwandlung* or *The Metamorphosis* (1912), *Ein Hungerkünstler* or *A Hunger Artist* (1924), *Der Prozess* or *The Trial* (1914), *Das Schloss* or *The Castle* (1914) and so on. All the works were published successfully until he became old and could not create them again.

In March 1924, Franz Kafka suffered laryngeal tuberculosis as long as he lived in Berlin. He returned to his homeland in Prague where members of his family, especially Ottla took care of him because his disease seemed to be serious starvation. The condition of his throat made the eating painfully for him with the result that there was no way to feed him because he had not development in his recovery. Because of that suffering, he became unknown and he did not consider about his important fame. Furthermore, his disease could not be recovered and eventually he died on 3 June 1924. His body was brought to Prague while he was buried there on 11 June 1924.

## APPENDIX II

### SYNOPSIS OF *THE METAMORPHOSIS*

The *Metamorphosis* was a novel that tells about human existence but he could not confront his existence in the world. This novel began with the story of Gregor that was as a main character. He existed as human being and had a job as a traveling salesman that actually, he conducted it in compulsion condition in order to pay off his parents' debt to the chief of the company. So as Gregor woke up one morning, he discovered himself that had been changed in large insect. From his bed, he looked around his room, adapted physically and mentally with his new body until he wondered if he was not in dreaming. But, when he tried to turn over onto his right side, he got difficult to do it. Then, he realized that was not dream. Indeed, he was an insect which was completed with a hard shell in a back, wriggling legs, and feelers.

Gregor wanted to go back to sleep, but he remembered that he had to get up for working and was already late. While his parents were trying to find out why he had not come out of his room, his parents tried to call him continuously. But Gregor had not braveness to show himself to them, instead he concealed under the bed. Then, the manager arrived to inquire about his lateness. When he still did not appear from his room, his parents became worried and asked his sister and servant to get the doctor and locksmith. The manager did not like Gregor, he threatened that Gregor would lose his job if he did not come and reported for work. But Gregor responded by saying that he had not been feeling well, but promised to report for work anyway.

The next day, Gregor unlocked the door of his room, and a minute later, his mother entered that room in order to meet her dear son. His mother shouted to call him until he show himself to his mother. After that, his mother collapsed onto the floor because she saw Gregor in different form of his body. She looked to her son, he broke down and cried. Afterwards, his father came to that room and his sister told about all the events which happend at that time. Her report made his father angry to his mother because mother opposed father's prohibition that she was forbidden to come in Gregor's room.

As long as Gregor confronted that case, his dear sister took the responsibility to feed and clean out his room. Since his parents seemed unwilling or unable to cope with the new crisis, so his mother, Mrs.Samsa allowed the cook to go from her family. Thus, Gregor's sister, Grete had to help their mother with the cooking chores as well. One day, Gregor was able to listen on his parents' conversation that they would remove the furniture which was in his room in order to give him greater freedom of movement. Immediately, they conducted their plan by starting to take out the chest and writing desk. When Mrs. Samsa saw Gregor flight on the wallpaper, she screamed with horror and faint. At this point, his father came to that room and suddenly he began to bombard Gregor with apples. One apple lodged in his back with the result that he mortally wounded.

Since, Gregor refused to eat hence he was growing weaker and thinner. That condition made Grate to take less interested in her brother's health and safety. Tomorrow morning, three men came Three men come to rent a room in the Samsa apartment. One night after dinner, when Grete was amusing them with her violin, they expressed their outrage and threatened to sue Mr. Samsa for damages.

Soon after the men departed to their room, Grete sat down with her parents and urges them to get rid of Gregor.

That night, plagued by guilt, Gregor agreed with his sister that the only solution was for him to disappear. At three o'clock in the morning, he died. The new cleaning woman discovered his body. She reported the Samsa family, and they decided to take a ride in the country. They now took all their hopes for the future on Grete who despite her ordeal had grown into a beautiful, prospective bride.