

Answer to Quiz

Ian paid for his bike by picking mushrooms.

Transcript

Ian Paton:

I was brought up with the attitude that to be a borrower or a lender was wrong. The only thing that was ever talked about borrowing was for the house, a mortgage. After that you had to pay for things. My first effort at earning money to pay for a pushbike I had to pick mushrooms at sixpence a pound to earn the money to buy the bike. And that was the attitude in our house: not to borrow.

It's been a bit of a job one way and another and I must admit that with today and the cards that you get it's so easy to borrow money... I think it's ridiculous.

I remember a holiday when I first used a card, but when we came back and discovered the debt we were in, it took us all year to pay that debt off. And there was many years with the children, I was unable to go on holiday because I would not put myself in debt again.

(Pointing at picture) *That's the eldest grandchild...*

I sometimes wonder whether if I'd have gone on holiday whether we would have afforded it anyway afterwards and I would have had some real time with the children, where I missed out a great deal with the children.