



The Frenzied City

There was an ancient City, stricken down
With a strange frenzy, and for many a day
They paced from morn to eve the crowded town,
And danced the night away.

I asked the cause: the aged man grew sad:
They pointed to a building gray and tall,
And hoarsely answered "Step inside, my lad,
And then you'll see it all."



Find a phrase that gives the impression of something chaotic in the city.

Which words or phrases does the author use to create the sense that there is no time for resting? Find three.

'Ancient', 'stricken', 'aged', 'grey'. What impression is the author trying to give about the city and its people with these words?

Marks: 1

What does the word 'stricken' suggest might have happened to the City?

- A curse has been placed on it
- It has won an award
- It has broken the rules
- The buildings have fallen down

What does the word 'hoarsely' add to our impression of the man?
