

1 Match the people in the story with their descriptions. Draw lines between them.



a Jane has a dream about this person.

b This is Jane's student.

c This person gives Jane work at Thornfield Hall.

d This is Jane's cousin who invites her to India.

e The owner of Thornfield park and Adèle's guardian.

2 Complete the text from the "Note about the story". Use the words in the box.

missionaries village married servants born governess rich

Charlotte Brontë was ¹ in 1816 in the ² of Haworth, Yorkshire. When she was older, she became a ³ and taught the children of ⁴ families.

In those days, "class" was very important. Men who were rich, like Mr Rochester, were called "gentlemen" and their ⁵ called them "sir". Women often got ⁶ at a young age, and afterwards, their money became their husband's. It was also common for men and women to travel as ⁷ during this time, teaching the people they met about God. In the story, St John Rivers wants Jane to do this.

3 Charlotte Brontë did not use her real name when she wrote her books. Why do you think she used a different name? Do authors do this today? Why/Why not?

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4 Read the descriptions of moments in the story. Match the events to where they take place. Draw lines between them.

- 1 Jane is carried upstairs to the red room where she thinks she sees a ghost and faints.
- 2 Jane lies on the bed next to Helen and puts her arm around her as she is dying.
- 3 Jane sits quietly by the window in the drawing room and sews while Mr Rochester's friends talk and Blanche plays the piano.
- 4 St John comes and asks Jane to go to India with him as a missionary, and as his wife.
- 5 Mr Rochester puts out his hands to Jane and touches her arm and shoulder. He thinks he is dreaming.

Moor House

Lowood

Gateshead Hall

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Thornfield Hall

5 Describe what happens during these moments in the story, and how Jane feels. The first is an example.

Jane is living with Mrs Reed.	<i>Jane's cousin, John Reed, hits her often and she is very frightened of him. But one day, Jane pushes and hits him. Mrs Reed locks Jane in the red room where she feels very scared and thinks she sees a ghost.</i>
Jane is at Lowood boarding school.	
Jane gets a job at Thornfield Hall.	
Jane meets Mr Rochester.	
Jane is about to marry.	
Jane discovers she has a family.	
Jane goes to find Mr Rochester.	

8 You are Mr Rochester. Write a diary entry about the night Jane finds out about your wife. Describe what happened and how you feel.

