

## Before-reading questions

- 1 *Reader's own answer.*
- 2 *Reader's own answer.*
- 3 *Reader's own answer.*
- 4 *Reader's own answer.*

## During-reading questions

### CHAPTER ONE

- 1 She was born in the Swat Valley in the north of Pakistan.
- 2 She has two brothers.
- 3 Because a group of Islamic extremists called the Taliban came to the Swat Valley from Afghanistan.
- 4 Because the Taliban wanted to stop girls going to school.
- 5 Because the Pakistan army fought them.
- 6 Two men from the Taliban shot her.

### CHAPTER TWO

- 1 Her mother's name is Toor Pekai and her father's name is Ziauddin.
- 2 Because she was the only girl in her class and she did not feel happy about it.
- 3 Because he wanted to help with the problems in Pakistan. He thought that the answer to these problems was for children to go to school.
- 4 It was in Mingora, a town in the Swat Valley.
- 5 She was born on 12th July 1997.
- 6 She saw a very poor girl with very dirty hair. The girl looked through the rubbish mountain and took the metal.

### CHAPTER THREE

- 1 The Islamist extremist group al-Qaeda flew two planes into the World Trade Center and killed thousands of people.
- 2 The American army bombed many places in Afghanistan and killed thousands more people.

- 3 Because there was a big earthquake and it was difficult to get food and water.
- 4 Because the Taliban wanted girls to stay at home and not to go to school.

### CHAPTER FOUR

- 1 Because it was a place for her to laugh and to forget about the war and the problems of the world.
- 2 They spoke to journalists.
- 3 Because the noise from the bombs was very loud and they were frightened.
- 4 The BBC asked Malala to write about living in the Swat Valley with the Taliban.
- 5 Because the Pakistan army wanted to fight the Taliban.

### CHAPTER FIVE

- 1 The people of the town worked together to clean it.
- 2 Because their school opened again.
- 3 Many of them were in the mountains.
- 4 They killed some of Ziauddin's friends.

### CHAPTER SIX

- 1 Because she was very brave and spoke about the Taliban.
- 2 She gave the prize money to street children and to schools.
- 3 Because two men from the Taliban shot her in the head.
- 4 She was in hospital in Birmingham for three months.

### CHAPTER SEVEN

- 1 She spoke at the United Nations in New York.
- 2 She got the Nobel Peace Prize.
- 3 She goes to meet and work with girls in different countries.

### After-reading questions

- 1 Because they wanted to stop girls going to school.
- 2 The quiet and beautiful valley became dark and dangerous. The streets were not the same. Many of the buildings had no walls. There were no houses, schools or shops. Lots of trees died and there was a very bad flood.
- 3 Because Malala told the world about the war and told them that the Taliban were unfair.
- 4 *Reader's own answers.*
- 5 *Reader's own answers.*

### Exercises

#### CHAPTER ONE

- 1 1 b    2 e    3 a    4 d    5 c

#### CHAPTER TWO

- 2 1 true                      2 true
- 3 false (The flood was at the Khushal school.)
- 4 true
- 5 false. (She liked going to her grandparents' village.)

#### CHAPTER THREE

- 3 1 On 11th September 2001, a **terrible** thing happened.
- 2 People in Pakistan were **angry** about the American bombs in Afghanistan.
- 3 There was an earthquake and it was **difficult** to get food and water to people.
- 4 Many people were **frightened** of the Taliban.
- 5 Things were very **bad** in the Swat Valley.

#### CHAPTER FOUR

- 4 1 The Taliban spoke about **religion**, but it was different to the people's Islam.
- 2 The Pakistan **army** arrived in the Swat Valley and they looked for the Taliban.

- 3 Malala and her best friend, Moniba, wrote **stories**.
- 4 Sometimes **bombs** hit the ground very close to Malala's home.
- 5 Malala sent her work to the BBC in **secret**.
- 6 The Taliban stopped all **girls** going to school.

- 5 1 Malala and a school friend
- 2 In 2008
- 3 Because the Taliban stopped girls going to school.

#### CHAPTER FIVE

- 6 1 Malala's family **lived** (live) in four different towns in two months.
- 2 After the war, Malala's school **opened** (open) again.
- 3 The Taliban **waited** (wait) in the mountains close to the Swat Valley.
- 4 Things in Mingora **were** (are) not the same as before.
- 5 Many trees in the valley **died** (die) because of the war.
- 6 The Taliban **came** (come) back to the Swat Valley.

#### CHAPTER SIX

- 7 1 Malala got a lot of prizes for being brave and talking about the Taliban.
- 2 Many schools in Pakistan now had "Malala" in their names.
- 3 The religion of the Taliban was not the religion of Pakistan.
- 4 The Taliban put a video on the internet – they wanted to kill/shoot Malala.
- 5 The night before her first exam, Malala went to bed (very) late.
- 6 The doctors moved Malala to a hospital in Birmingham, in England.

**CHAPTER SEVEN**

- 1** 1 Yes, they did.
- 2** 2 Yes, she did.
- 3** 3 No, he was not.
- 4** 4 No, they could not.
- 5** 5 No, she did not.

**Project work**

*Reader's own answers*