

Before-reading questions

- Model answer:** Class is what jobs people did and how much money they had. Rich people lived in big houses and had servants. Rich men were called “gentlemen” and their servants usually called them “sir” and their wives “ma’am”. Their servants stood up for them when they entered the room. The children of rich people were called “Master” or “Miss”.
- Model answer:** They lived in large children’s homes, or they lived and begged on the streets.

During-reading questions

CHAPTER ONE

- He thinks he is more important than her because his father had money and her father had none.
- They died from typhus. After they died, her uncle – her mother’s brother – took her to live with his wife and children.
- She thinks that she has seen a ghost.

CHAPTER TWO

- She is sent to Lowood School. It is a tall stone building with lots of windows.
- It is a school for orphans.
- She dies from typhus.

CHAPTER THREE

- She advertises for work as a governess. She will teach someone’s child or children in their house.
- She heard that Jane was moving to a different part of the country. She tells her about her uncle’s visit.
- She hears a strange laugh.

CHAPTER FOUR

- She meets a man on a horse in a narrow lane. He has a dog called Pilot with him. The horse falls on the road, and she helps the man to climb back on it.
- Because he is not handsome in the normal way.
- Because when she returns home the dog Pilot is in front of the fire, and Leah tells her that Mr Rochester is home, but that he has hurt himself after falling off his horse.

CHAPTER FIVE

- Because she does not think Mr Rochester has a reason to give her a present. But Mr Rochester thinks that she has taught Adèle a lot since she came.
- His father left all his money to his oldest son, who later died. However, his father wanted Edward Rochester to have money too, but his plans were bad and there was a lot of trouble, and Mr Rochester stopped talking to his family.
- Model answer:** He likes her. Mr Rochester is direct and so is Jane. He finds her interesting because she is herself with him.

CHAPTER SIX

- He wants her to join him and his guests in the drawing room.
- Mr Mason comes to visit him. He has come from the West Indies.
- She writes to tell her that her Aunt Reed and cousin John are both dead.

CHAPTER SEVEN

- He wants to marry Jane.
- Because he is much older and richer than Jane. Rich men do not usually marry their governesses.
- Because she wants to have her own money so she can be equal to Mr Rochester.

CHAPTER EIGHT

- 1 She dreams about a huge fire and that Thornfield was a burned ruin. She also dreams that a scary woman comes to her room and cuts up her wedding veil. In the morning she finds the veil on the floor in two pieces, so she is worried that it was not a dream.
- 2 Because he knows that Mr Rochester has a wife who is still living.
- 3 Because she wrote to her uncle who knew Mr Mason.

CHAPTER NINE

- 1 For two days
- 2 St John Rivers, who is a clergyman, and his sisters, who are governesses. Their servant Hannah also lives with them.
- 3 They let her stay with them until she is better, and St John finds her work as a teacher.

CHAPTER TEN

- 1 £20,000
- 2 St John's mother was Jane's father's sister.
- 3 She wants to share it with her cousins.

CHAPTER ELEVEN

- 1 He wants her go to India with him as his wife. She does not want this because she does not love him.
- 2 She decides to marry him because something is pulling her towards him.
- 3 She hears Mr Rochester's voice calling her.

CHAPTER TWELVE

- 1 It is a burned ruin. It is strange because Jane dreamed about it before.
- 2 He is in his house at Ferndean. He became blind from the fire at Thornfield when he was trying to save his wife.
- 3 He begins to see well enough to see his first son's eyes are like his.

After-reading questions

- 1 *Reader's own answer.*
- 2 *Reader's own answer.*
- 3 **Model answer:** Yes, it is possible, because we know that Mr Rochester's father wanted him to marry Bertha for money. Mrs Fairfax says, "Their father did not want to share his money between his sons, so he gave it all to his older son. He wanted Mr Rochester to have money, too, but the plans he made for Mr Rochester were bad."
- 4 **Model answer:** It is very important because the people who do not have it have harder lives than those who do. Rich men like Mr Rochester do not normally marry poor women like Jane, and this is why Jane writes to her uncle. People who have money are independent and have control over their lives. People with little or no money have to work and have no control. When Jane's uncle leaves her his money, it changes her life and the lives of her cousins because they do not have to work any more, and Jane can marry Rochester as an equal.
- 5 *Reader's own answer.*
- 6 **Model answer:** Women could not vote and if they married, they had to give their money to their husbands. Women with money did not work, they stayed at home and looked after their children, or they had servants and governesses to look after them.

Exercises

CHAPTER ONE

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| 1 curtain | 2 pale |
| 3 beg | 4 clergyman |
| 5 ghost | 6 faint |
| 7 visitor | |

CHAPTER TWO

- 2 1 Where did Jane go after she left her aunt's?

- 2 How did she feel when she first went to Lowood?
- 3 What were the girls at Lowood wearing?
- 4 What was the porridge like/How was the porridge?
- 5 What was Lowood Institution?
- 6 What did Helen Burns like doing/to do?
- 7 What did Jane decide (after two years of teaching at Lowood)?

CHAPTER THREE

- 3 1 Jane got a letter from Bessie, **didn't she?**
- 2 "She never wrote to you about his visit, **did she?**"
- 3 Jane was met by a man called John, **wasn't she?**
- 4 "Oh it will be nice to have a friend here, **won't it?**"
- 5 Great houses need their owners, **don't they?**
- 6 The girl was about seven or eight years old, **wasn't she?**
- 7 It was a strange laugh, **wasn't it?**
- 8 "She sews in the attic, **doesn't she?**"

CHAPTER FOUR

- 4 1 It was **sunny** and warm, so I did not wear my coat.
- 2 The **lane** was narrow and went up a hill.
- 3 There were **pools of ice** on the road, so I walked carefully.
- 4 There was a **pale moon** in the sky, so I could see although it was dark.
- 5 I climbed a **stile** into the fields.
- 6 I held a **candle** in my hand to help me see.

CHAPTER FIVE

- 5 1 Adèle was excited because **Mr Rochester was home.**
- 2 She did not mind that **he was not polite.**
- 3 Jane thought that Mr Rochester has no reason to **give her a present.**

- 4 Mr Rochester thought that **his horse fell because of Jane.**
- 5 "Mr Rochester has only lived at Thornfield Hall **for nine years.**"
- 6 "His father gave his money to **his older son.**"
- 7 Jane woke up and heard **a terrible laugh.**
- 8 She went into Mr Rochester's bedroom and saw **flames around the bed.**

CHAPTER SEVEN

- 6 1 Jane
- 2 Mr Rochester
- 3 Adèle
- 4 Jane
- 5 Mr Rochester
- 6 Mrs Fairfax

CHAPTER EIGHT

- 7 1 true 2 false
- 3 true 4 false
- 5 true 6 false

CHAPTER NINE

- 8 1 My heart **was breaking** (break) with pain.
- 2 I **lay** (lie) down and began to cry.
- 3 I began **to walk** (walk) along the road.
- 4 "If he chooses this, then I **will wait** (wait) for it to happen."
- 5 But I was too tired and weak **to speak** (speak) more.
- 6 "The family had money, but their father **lost** (lose) it all, and now they are poor."
- 7 "St John, you and your sisters **have helped** (help) me greatly."
- 8 "They think that you are a bird that **has been** (be) hurt."

CHAPTER TEN

- 9 1 c 2 e 3 a 4 b 5 f 6 d

CHAPTER TWELVE

- 10 1 Jane left Moor House early the next morning.
- 2 It was June, but the weather was cloudy and cold.
- 3 Ten months ago, there was a terrible fire at Thornfield.
- 4 Mr Rochester came towards his wife, but she screamed and jumped.
- 5 Mr Rochester was a very sad man after the fire.
- 6 Jane was a rich woman now.
- 7 Adèle was unhappy in her school.
- 8 Mr Rochester could see his first son.

Project work

Reader's own answers.