

## Before-reading questions

- 1 *Reader's own answer.*
- 2 *Reader's own answer.*
- 3 *Reader's own answer.*
- 4 *Reader's own answer.*
- 5 **a** false **b** true **c** false **d** true

## During-reading questions

### CHAPTER ONE

- 1 She was found lying in the street alone. She is poor, has walked a long way and is going to have a baby.
- 2 Oliver asked for more food, and Mr Bumble thinks he might cause trouble in the workhouse.

### CHAPTER TWO

- 1 Noah becomes jealous of Oliver because he has to stay in the shop while Oliver goes to funerals with Mr Sowerberry.
- 2 The people who have been unkind to him, like Mr Bumble and Noah, won't be able to find him in a big city. There will be people there who can help him.
- 3 **Model answer:** They are probably stolen.

### CHAPTER THREE

- 1 All these things are stolen, and he doesn't want anyone to see them.
- 2 He realizes that the "work" the boys do is stealing things from people's pockets, and he wants to get away from them.
- 3 Because he thinks he has made a mistake, and because Oliver has hurt himself and looks ill. Mr Brownlow feels sorry for Oliver.

### CHAPTER FOUR

- 1 He notices that Oliver and the woman in the portrait look alike.
- 2 They think that Oliver will tell the police about them and get them into trouble.

### CHAPTER FIVE

- 1 They argue about who will have the £5 note.
- 2 She wants to stop the dog running after Oliver and attacking him.
- 3 He wants to tell Mr Brownlow what he knows about Oliver to get the five pounds' reward.

### CHAPTER SIX

- 1 He is small enough to get through a window at the back of the house.
- 2 Sikes has probably hurt her.
- 3 Two men appear and shoot him. Sikes pulls Oliver back through the window and carries him away.

### CHAPTER SEVEN

- 1 Old Sally is the woman who was with Oliver's mother when she died. She stole something gold from Oliver's mother.
- 2 Fagin wants to know where Sikes and Oliver are. He is afraid that Oliver is dead.
- 3 **Model answer:** No, it is Nancy.

### CHAPTER EIGHT

- 1 He is just a child, and she feels sorry for him. Mrs Maylie once looked after her when she needed help.
- 2 It is peaceful and beautiful. He learns to read and write, and Mrs Maylie and Rose are kind to him.
- 3 **Model answer:**
  - a Monks
  - b Mrs Maylie's son

### CHAPTER NINE

- 1 Mrs Maylie doesn't think Harry should marry Rose. There is something in Rose's past which will stop Rose from agreeing to marry Harry.
- 2 Although Oliver was sleeping and has just woken up, he is sure he saw Fagin and the stranger from the hotel. We also know that Fagin and Monks want to find Oliver.

- 3 Even though Rose can't agree to marry Harry she does love him. If she is his wife, she thinks she will stand in his way or make him unhappy. But this makes Rose very sad, and she cries when Harry leaves.

## CHAPTER TEN

- 1 No, Mr Bumble is the master of the workhouse instead of the beadle now, but he is not happily married to Mrs Corney.
- 2 Old Sally
- 3 **Model answer:** He wants to get rid of it because it shows who Oliver is.

## CHAPTER ELEVEN

- 1 Monks might recognize her as the person who was outside the room when he was talking to Fagin in Chapter Seven.
- 2 It is a drug that will make him sleep. She gives it to him so that she can go out without him knowing.
- 3 She doesn't want Nancy to go back to Sikes and Fagin; she wants to take Nancy to a safe place.

## CHAPTER TWELVE

- 1 He is very happy and impatient to see him. He knows now that Oliver did not steal from him.
- 2 Fagin thinks Nancy has a new boyfriend and is going to meet him. His plan is to persuade Nancy to poison Sikes, because he would like Sikes to be dead.
- 3 He got married, he stole £20 from Mr Sowerberry and he left his job at the undertaker's.

## CHAPTER THIRTEEN

- 1 Fagin wants Noah to follow Nancy and to find out where she goes, who she sees and what she says. Fagin thinks Nancy has a new boyfriend and wants to find out about him.

- 2 She thinks it would not be honest to turn them in and for them to be punished, because she has also led a bad life.
- 3 He wants Sikes to stop Nancy going to the police or meeting Mr Brownlow and Rose again, but he doesn't want Sikes to get caught, because then Fagin himself could also get caught.

## CHAPTER FOURTEEN

- 1 Mr Brownlow was the friend of Monks's father (Edwin Leeford) before he died. (Monks has changed his name.)
- 2 A portrait of the woman he loved, Oliver's mother, which he had painted himself.
- 3 He is very upset that Sikes has murdered Nancy.

## CHAPTER FIFTEEN

- 1 Monks's father, Edwin Leeford, gave it to her. It is proof of who Oliver's mother and father were.
- 2 In his will, Edwin Leeford gave £800 a year each to Monks and his mother; he left the rest of his money to Agnes and her child (Oliver). Monks's mother burned the will.
- 3 Because Edwin Leeford's will said that, if Agnes had a son, he would only get the money if he did no wrong. If the son did wrong, the money would go to Monks.

## After-reading questions

- 1 *Reader's own answers.*
- 2 Fagin looks after the boys and is quite kind to them, but he makes them steal for him.
- 3 He believes Oliver is innocent, and he feels sorry for Oliver because Oliver is ill. He may also feel he knows Oliver's face, even though he hasn't met him before, because Oliver is like his mother.
- 4 Mr Bumble offers a reward for someone to take Oliver from the workhouse.

Fagin gives money to the boys, Nancy and Bet, Sikes, Noah.

Mr Brownlow gives Mr Bumble a reward for information about Oliver.

Monks gives Mr and Mrs Bumble money for information about Old Sally and the gold necklace.

Nancy will not accept money from Rose because she believes giving her the information is the right thing to do, and she is not doing it for herself.

5 *Reader's own answer.*

6 **Model answer:** Rose shows the importance of family and of kindness, which has allowed her to lead a good life.

*Reader's own answers.*

## Exercises

### CHAPTERS ONE AND TWO

- |   |                  |                 |
|---|------------------|-----------------|
| 1 | 1 Jack Dawkins   | 2 Mrs Corney    |
|   | 3 Fagin          | 4 Mr Sowerberry |
|   | 5 Noah Claypole  | 6 Mr Bumble     |
|   | 7 Mrs Sowerberry | 8 Oliver        |

### CHAPTER TWO

- 2 1 Oliver **was woken** (woke) in the morning by a loud kicking on the door.
- 2 Oliver's hand **was shaking** (shake) as he **turned** (turn) the key in the lock.
- 3 Oliver **had been** (be) at the undertaker's for a month when Mr Sowerberry **had** (have) an idea.
- 4 "His sad face **would be** (be) good for business," said Mr Sowerberry.
- 5 Noah said that, if Oliver's mother **had not died** (not die), she **would be** (be) in prison.
- 6 "He **will murder** (murder) me!"
- 7 The candle **was burning** (burn) low when Oliver **got** (get) to his feet.
- 8 "I **have been walking** (walk) for seven days," Oliver told his new friend.

### CHAPTER THREE

- 3 1 Fagin doesn't realize that Oliver is watching him when he takes out the box.
- 2 Fagin is pleased with the Dodger and Charley when they come home.
- 3 Charley thinks that Oliver is very funny.
- 4 Fagin can't feel Oliver taking a handkerchief out of his pocket.
- 5 After the Dodger has stolen the old gentleman's handkerchief, he passes it to Charley.
- 6 As soon as Oliver starts to run, Mr Brownlow begins to chase after him.
- 7 When the police search Oliver, they find nothing on him.
- 8 Mr Brownlow thinks that Oliver is innocent.

### CHAPTERS FOUR AND FIVE

- 4 1 Oliver tried to **get up** from his chair, but he could not.
- 2 The Dodger escaped from Fagin by **getting out** of his enormous coat.
- 3 "What the devil **is going on** here?" asked Sikes.
- 4 If Oliver says anything to the police, Fagin and Sikes **will get into** trouble.
- 5 Somebody must **find out** what happened at the police station.
- 6 Nancy said she **would keep on** watching for Oliver.
- 7 Nancy told a woman that Oliver **had run away** from home.
- 8 "**Take off** your smart clothes. I'll give them to Fagin to **look after**," said Charley.

### CHAPTERS SIX AND SEVEN

- 5 1 g    2 b    3 d    4 c  
5 f    6 h    7 e    8 a

### CHAPTERS TEN AND ELEVEN

- 6 1 Why did Mr Bumble go for a walk?  
2 What does the stranger want Mr Bumble to remember?

- 3 Who does the stranger want to hear about?
- 4 How much money does Mrs Bumble want from Monks?
- 5 What does Monks do with the necklace?
- 6 Why does Nancy visit Fagin?
- 7 What does Nancy do before she leaves the room?
- 8 What has Nancy come to tell Rose about?

## CHAPTERS TWELVE AND THIRTEEN

- |   |               |          |
|---|---------------|----------|
| 7 | 1 Rose        | 2 Oliver |
|   | 3 Mr Brownlow | 4 Noah   |
|   | 5 Fagin       | 6 Fagin  |
|   | 7 Mr Brownlow | 8 Rose   |

### Project work

*Reader's own answers.*

### Essay questions

*Reader's own answers.*