

**1a** When Oscar Wilde wrote *The Picture of Dorian Gray* in 1890, some people did not like it. Why do you think that was?

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**1b** Some people thought that the story about an artist and his art was really about Oscar Wilde and his work. What is the same or different about artists and their art and writers and their books?

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**2a** Look at the pictures. Write the correct names.

Alan Campbell

Basil Hallward

Dorian Gray

James Vane

Lord Henry Wotton

Sibyl Vane



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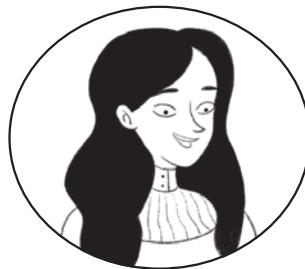
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2b Answer these questions about each of the people in 2a.

- a What does he/she look like?
- b What is he/she like?
- c What happens to him/her in the story?

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3a Write A (Art) or T (Theatre) in the boxes after these words.

act	<input type="checkbox"/>	actor	<input type="checkbox"/>	artist	<input type="checkbox"/>	box	<input type="checkbox"/>	exhibit	<input type="checkbox"/>	paint	<input type="checkbox"/>
painter	<input type="checkbox"/>	painting	<input type="checkbox"/>	play	<input type="checkbox"/>	portrait	<input type="checkbox"/>	stage	<input type="checkbox"/>	studio	<input type="checkbox"/>

3b Put the words from 3a into the correct categories.

Person: .....  
Place: .....  
Activity: .....  
Thing: .....

4a You are Dorian Gray. Write a sentence that describes each of these pictures to create the social-media story of your life.



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4b Work in pairs. Take turns to be Dorian and explain how you were feeling in each picture in 4a.

**5a** *The Picture of Dorian Gray* is a gothic novel. Complete the table with examples of these themes and ideas from the book.

<b>Places:</b> strange or dangerous	
<b>Weather:</b>	
<b>People:</b> very good or very bad	
<b>Things</b> that make you afraid	
<b>The following themes in the book:</b> love/hate science life/death travel art/real life	
<b>A message in the book:</b>	

**5b** Compare your examples with the rest of the class, or in small groups.

**5c** Do you know any other gothic novels? Do some internet research to find out about some of the themes and ideas in them.