THE PHANTOM OF THE OPERA



Before-reading questions

- 1 Example answer:
 - The Opera House in Paris is old.
 - It is white and yellow (gold).
 - It is beautiful.
- **2** Reader's own answer.
- **3 a** Gaston Leroux is the writer of *The Phantom of the Opera*.
 - **b** Reader's own answer.
 - c Reader's own answer.

During-reading questions

CHAPTER ONE

- **1** The phantom killed Joseph.
- **2** Christine is the new opera singer.
- **3** Yes, but she cannot tell him now. She says, "I don't remember you."
- **4** The phantom sits in Box Five.

CHAPTER TWO

- 1 Christine goes to her father's grave in Perros. He is dead now.
- 2 Because he loves Christine. He must tell her.
- **3** The Angel of Music is Christine's singing teacher.

CHAPTER THREE

- 1 Raoul and Erik love Christine.
- **2** Christine must marry Erik.
- **3** The Persian is watching Christine and Raoul.

CHAPTER FOUR

- 1 Because he is mad.
- **2** Erik is the phantom and the Angel of Music.
- **3** He lives in the basement of the Opera House.
- **4** Because Christine saw his face.

CHAPTER FIVE

1 Because she must sing for Erik tomorrow.

- **2** Christine is with Erik.
- **3** The Persian can find Christine and Erik.
- 4 No, the Persian does not hate Erik.

CHAPTER SIX

- 1 The Persian and Erik worked together and they travelled to many places in the world.
- **2** Erik built palaces with secret rooms and trapdoors for rich and important people.
- **3** Erik built secret rooms, trapdoors, a lake and a torture chamber under the Opera House in Paris.

CHAPTER SEVEN

- 1 There are cables from the scorpion to the torture chamber. The scorpion puts lots of water in the torture chamber. Raoul and the Persian are in the torture chamber and they can die.
- **2** There are cables from the grasshopper to some gunpowder. All the people in Paris can die.
- **3** After Erik's death, Christine must marry Raoul, put Erik's ring in his coffin and put the coffin in the basement of the Opera House.

CHAPTER EIGHT

- **1** Erik is dying of love.
- **2** No, he did not marry Christine because she did not love him.
- **3** Workers find a coffin in a basement with a skeleton in it. The skeleton has a ring. It is Erik.

After-reading questions

- 1 Reader's own answer.
- **2** Reader's own answer.
- 3 Reader's own answer.
- **4** *Example answer:* The phantom wears a mask because people always hate his face. They must not see it.

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- **5** Example answer: The phantom says, "She didn't love me", but maybe Christine loved him. We do not know. Christine is nice to the phantom he says, "After my death, put the ring in my coffin and put the coffin in the basement of the Opera House." And she does that for him.
- 6 Reader's own answer.
- **7** Example answer: People hate the phantom's face. He lives in the basement because then people cannot see his face.
- 8 Reader's own answer.

Exercises

CHAPTER ONE

- 1 1 He does bad things.
 - 2 His head is a **skull**.
 - 3 He has dark eyes.
 - 4 He wears a long black **cloak**.
 - **5** He sits in **Box** Five.
 - 6 You can hear him but you can't see him.

CHAPTERS ONE AND TWO

- 2 1 Gaston Leroux is the writer of The Phantom of the Opera.
 - **2** Joseph was a **worker** at the Opera House.
 - **3** Christine is a great opera **singer**.
 - **4** The Opera House has a new **director**.
 - **5** Christine's singing **teacher** talks to her through a wall.
- **3** 1 d **2** a **3** f **4** b **5** c **6** e **7** g

CHAPTER THREE

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

CHAPTER FOUR

5 1 b **2** d **3** e **4** a **5** c

CHAPTER FIVE

- **6 1** down
 - **2** always
 - 3 night / evening
 - **4** well
 - **5** hate

CHAPTER SIX

7 1 c 2 a 3 b 4 f 5 d 6 e

CHAPTER SEVEN

- **8** 1 I don't want **to live** in the basement now.
 - 2 I can hear Christine!
 - **3** I want a wife and a nice house.
 - 4 Shh! He is coming!
 - **5** She must **choose** the scorpion or the grasshopper.
 - 6 Raoul **needs** water.

CHAPTER EIGHT

- **9** 1 true
 - 2 false
 - **3** true
 - 4 true
 - **5** true
 - **6** false
 - 7 true
- 10 1 Who comes to see the Persian?
 - **2** Erik does not marry Christine. **Why** not?
 - **3** What must the Persian do after Erik's death?

Project work

Reader's own answers.