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1 Read these sentences about Chapter One. Write T (true) or F (false) or DS (does not say).

- 1 John Durbeyfield was walking home from work.
- 2 The Parson called John Durbeyfield "Sir" John.
- 3 He made a mistake because he thought he was another person.
- 4 The parson told him that his ancestors were the grand and ancient family of the d'Urbervilles.
- 5 He had seen some documents about the d'Urberville family.
- 6 The family still lived in the area.

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2 Complete the information about Tess in Chapter One.

Name: Tess ¹

Age: ²

Parents: John and ³

She has: ⁴ brothers and sisters

Appearance: ⁵ and innocent

She feels: ⁶ of her father

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3 Choose the correct answers (a, b, c or d) about Chapter Two.

- 1 What terrible thing happened on the way to Casterbridge?
- a Abraham was killed by the mail cart.
 - b Prince was killed by the mail cart.
 - c Tess and Abraham fell out of the cart.
 - d The driver of the mail cart died.

- 2 What did Tess agree to do to help her parents?
 - a Introduce herself to the d'Urberville family.
 - b Leave home and look for a job.
 - c Marry Mrs d'Urberville's son.
 - d Work for a local farmer.
- 3 What did Parson Tringham know about the Stoke-d'Urbervilles?
 - a That it was a very important and ancient family.
 - b That old Mr Simon Stoke bought the family title.
 - c That old Mr Simon Stoke found the family name in a book.
 - d That they were actually very poor.
- 4 Why did Alec say that Tess could not see his mother?
 - a Because she didn't like meeting new people.
 - b Because she was away from home.
 - c Because she was blind and could not walk.
 - d Because she was dead.
- 5 What did Alec want?
 - a Everybody to see them together.
 - b Nobody to see them together.
 - c Tess to not enter the house.
 - d Tess to leave the house and never come back.
- 6 What did Mrs d'Urberville offer Tess?
 - a some money
 - b a place to live, but no job
 - c a job, but nowhere to stay
 - d a job and a room

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4 Complete the text. Choose from the sentences (a–h) below. There are three extra sentences.

On the morning that Tess left to start her new job at Trantridge, Joan Durbeyfield wanted her daughter to look her best. ¹..... “He has to fall in love with her,” Joan whispered to her husband. But, as Tess left the house with her basket in her arms, her mother began to feel worried. ²..... But, before she had quite reached the place, a fast little cart suddenly appeared, driven by a young man with a cigarette between his teeth. He wore a cap, a white scarf and brown driving gloves.

The man got down from the cart and spoke to Tess. ³..... Then, she climbed onto the cart. The young man climbed up beside her and hit the horse hard. It began to gallop. Man, woman and cart disappeared over the hill.

The ride back to Trantridge was fast and terrifying. Tess had to put her arms round the laughing Alec to stop herself from falling. ⁴..... When the cart finally slowed, she jumped down and told Alec

angrily that she would walk the rest of the way.

The chickens, which Tess was paid to look after, were kept in an ancient cottage with its own garden.
 5 Mrs d'Urberville was a white-haired blind woman of not more than 60, who always sat waiting for Tess in an armchair. "So you are the young woman who has come to look after my birds," she said on the first day, reaching out her hands to touch them. "Now, please put them on my knee. Ah yes, this is Strut, and Phena, too!"

- a At the same time, she thought of the accident with the horse Prince.
- b By now, Tess was extremely tired, and had begun to cry quietly.
- c He leaned down to take her arm, and she let him pull her up in front of him.
- d She and the children watched Tess walk up the lane to where the carriage would meet her.
- e She seemed to be disagreeing with him.
- f She washed her hair and told her to put on her white dress.
- g The two riders galloped along for some time without speaking.
- h Tess's job was to care for the birds and to take different ones to visit Alec's mother each afternoon.

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5 Complete the text with the missing words.

It was a hot morning in August and a reaping machine, pulled ¹ two huge horses, made its way slowly round a large field. Two groups, one of men and one of women and girls, were picking up and tying the corn ² behind. The girls wore large hats to keep the sun off their heads, and gloves to stop the corn from cutting ³ their hands.

One girl, who wore a pink cotton jacket, worked harder ⁴ the others, her eyes always on the corn as she tied each armful with a cord. Sometimes, she stood up to rest, and the hat fell back to show a beautiful face with large dark eyes and pale cheeks. It was Tess Durbeyfield, the same but not the same. After a long time of keeping ⁵ from the villagers because she felt ashamed, she had decided to do some farm work. Her family needed the money, and it was harvest time – the ⁶ time of the year for farm workers.

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6 Match the two parts of the sentences. Draw lines between them.

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| <p>1 At lunch, a group of children aged between six and 14</p> <p>2 The workers sat down to rest</p> <p>3 When the baby was full,</p> <p>4 As they rode home in a wagon that evening,</p> <p>5 But a new sadness was waiting for her</p> <p>6 Suddenly, all that mattered was that the baby got better and lived,</p> | <p>a while the food was put in front of them.</p> <p>b when she arrived home and learned that the baby had become sick.</p> <p>c the women sang songs.</p> <p>d Tess put it on her knees and kissed it.</p> <p>e despite the horrible way he had come into the world.</p> <p>f appeared through the field's gate.</p> |
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7 Tick the five things we learn about Angel Clare in Chapter Five.

- 1 He was learning to paint.
- 2 He played the piano.
- 3 He was a parson's son.
- 4 He was very interested in girls.
- 5 He had already learned sheep farming.
- 6 He was from an educated family.
- 7 He was a free thinker.
- 8 He wanted to become a parson.
- 9 His father had refused to pay to send him to Cambridge University like his brothers.
- 10 He was thirty-six.

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8 Correct the sentences about Chapter Five.

- 1 Angel immediately noticed Tess.
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- 2 She spoke so much, and the other maids talked so little, it was hard to miss her.
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- 3 One morning at breakfast, he heard a voice he knew well and turned to see who owned it.
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- 4 Angel stopped staring at her, and realized there was something in her that he didn't recognize.
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- 5 He was sure he had never seen her before.
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6 But he and Tess did not get much chance to speak until one cold evening in December, when Tess heard the sound of a piano as she was walking through the garden.

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9 Complete the text. Choose the correct words from the box.

while all now at that moment with then

¹ the others listened and laughed, Tess turned away with a pale face. "How warm it is to-day!" she said, quietly. ², she disappeared out through the door. ³, Mrs Crick suddenly shouted, "The butter's coming! I can hear it!" as the milk began to change, and all attention left Tess. ⁴ the fresh air, Tess soon looked better, but she stayed quiet ⁵ afternoon. She felt terrible that everyone had laughed at Mr Crick's story. They could not see the sadness of it, or know that it was similar to her own experience. The evening sun was ⁶ ugly to her, like a great bloody wound in the sky.

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10 Complete the text. Choose one word (a, b, c or d) for each gap.

After that night, Tess tried to avoid Angel – never allowing herself to remain near him for long. She wanted to give Marian, Retty and Izz every chance ¹ his attention.

July came and the air ² hot and heavy, sending storms over the vale. One Sunday morning, when the milking ³ done, Tess and the other three milkmaids had put on their best dresses and were going together to Mellstock Church, ⁴ was three or four miles away. Tess had been at Talbothays for two months, and this was her first trip away from the farm. All the afternoon before, the rain ⁵, washing some of the corn into the river. But this morning the sun shone brightly, and the air was warm and clear.

The narrow lane that led to Mellstock went along the bottom of the valley. When the women came to its ⁶ part, they saw that it was hidden under a pool of water.

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| 1 a win | b winning | c won | d to win |
| 2 a hung | b hanging | c hanged | d hang |
| 3 a had | b have | c was | d were |
| 4 a that | b what | c which | d who |
| 5 a had fallen | b was fallen | c was falling | d have been falling |
| 6 a low | b lower | c more low | d lowest |

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11 Match the names in the box with the facts about them in Chapter Seven.

Tess	Retty	Marian	Izzy
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- 1 Angel walked away with 's large shape in his arms and disappeared round the bend in the road.
- 2 In a few minutes, he reappeared. dreamily allowed herself to be lifted into Angel's arms, and he walked away with her.
- 3 When he was heard returning for the second time, 's heart beat almost hard enough to shake her. Angel went up to the red-haired girl and lifted her.
- 4 Then, he looked over at and his lips quietly said, "It will soon be you and me." Her understanding appeared in her face.

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12 Answer the questions about Chapter Eight.

- 1 What did Angel take home with him?
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- 2 Who did he see as he was approaching his father's house?
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- 3 What type of person was old Mr Clare?
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- 4 How did Angel feel in his parents' house?
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- 5 Why did he feel like this?
.....
- 6 What had Angel's father done with the meat that Mrs Crick had sent?
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13 Complete the conversation between Tess and Angel after he asks her to marry him. Choose the best answers from the box.

Ah – you think so, but you don't know! Because I am not good enough for you.
 Yes, something like that. Your friends would laugh at me.
 I don't reject you. I like you to tell me you love me. It is for your own good.

Angel: Tess, why did you say no?

Tess: **1**

Angel: How? Not lady enough?

Tess: **2**

Angel: Then I ought not to hold you in this way. Why do you reject me?

Tess: **3**

Angel: But you will not accept me as your husband?

Tess: **4**

Angel: But you will make me happy!

Tess: **5**

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14 Complete the letter. Choose the correct words (a, b, c or d).

“Oh, Mother, Mother!” cried Tess. How light the events that ¹

- a** have happened
- b** happened
- c** had happened
- d** were happening

to Tess seemed to

her mother. She did not see life as Tess saw it. But perhaps her mother was right. Maybe staying silent

was ²

- a** good
- b** better
- c** the best
- d** well

, if she wanted to be happy?

October came, and then November, and Tess had never known love ³

- a** as
- b** how
- c** such
- d** that

she knew it now.

She had not known that men could be ⁴ **a** enough kind and gentle and loving. She and Angel

- b** so
- c** too
- d** very

spent as much time together as they could. They walked around the fields, with his arm round her,

or holding her hand. She was ⁵ **a** empty with love for him, and walked in brightness. But she knew

- b** filling
- c** filled
- d** full

the dark shadows of her past were ⁶ **a** together there, waiting. Some days the shadows stayed back,

- b** never
- c** ever
- d** always

other days they approached.

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15 Put the events of Chapters Ten and Eleven in the correct order (1–8).

- a** Angel left for Brazil.
- b** Angel told Tess that he could not stay with her.
- c** Angel told Tess about his time spent with an older woman.
- d** Tess and Angel got married.
- e** Tess's father was angry.
- f** Tess left her parents' house, saying that she was going to join her husband.
- g** Tess returned to her parents' house.
- h** Tess told Angel about her past.

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16 List the things that Tess is forced to use her £25 from Angel for.

- a**
- b**
- c**
- d**

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17 For each question about Chapter Twelve choose the correct answer, A (*Alec*), B (*Angel*) or C (*Tess*).

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| 1 Who bought some pretty walking boots? | A | B | C |
| 2 Who forgot their words while speaking? | A | B | C |
| 3 Who was giving a sermon? | A | B | C |
| 4 Whose brothers felt sorry for them? | A | B | C |
| 5 Whose walking boots were taken for the poor? | A | B | C |
| 6 Who felt angry and injured? | A | B | C |

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18 Circle the correct prepositions.

- Tess was quietly hoping things would change **for** / **from** / **with** her.
- She was just finishing her dinner when someone knocked **at** / **of** / **to** the door.
- “Since I saw you that Sunday I haven’t stopped thinking **about** / **at** / **to** you.”
- “Do not speak **against** / **back** / **behind** my husband!” she cried.
- She had to stand alone all day **at** / **of** / **on** top of the shaking threshing machine and feed it **from** / **in** / **with** the corn.

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19 Complete these lists about Chapter Fourteen. Put the words from the box into the correct categories.

thin changed older ignored the warnings looked for Tess unwell

How Angel looked:

How Angel felt:

What Angel did:

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20 Complete the text. Form new words using the words in capital letters.

Mrs Brooks, the ¹....., was not usually very interested in her guests. But the visit of the thin and pale Angel Clare to the rich d'Urbervilles was very ²..... . After letting him in, she went back to her own sitting room but left the door open a little, so that she could hear bits of their conversation. When the young man left, she heard Mrs d'Urberville go back ³..... and enter the apartment that she and her husband had rented.

Mrs Brooks ⁴..... walked up the stairs and stood at the door of the d'Urbervilles' front room. At first, all that she could hear was one long moan: "O-O-O!"

Then, a male voice from the bedroom shouted, "What's the matter?"

There were more strange sounds and then the woman spoke ⁵....., though Mrs Brooks could only hear parts of what she said.

"And then my dear husband came home to me! And I did not know that he would . . . After my father died . . . my little brothers and sisters and my mother needed help . . . That's how you ⁶..... forced me . . . You said I was stupid to think my husband would ever come back, and at last I believed you . . . And now he has gone for a second time, and he will not love me any more, only hate me . . . I have lost him again because of you! Oh, you have ⁷..... my life . . . Oh God, I ⁸..... bear this!"

- LADY
- USUAL
- STAIRS
- QUIET
- ANGRY
- FINAL
- RUIN
- NOT

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21 Circle the correct verbs.

- 1 "I **have been following** / **am following** you all this way!"
- 2 "Angel, do you know why I **have run** / **have been running** after you? To tell you that I **have killed** / **have been killing** him!"
- 3 "I **have done** / **have been doing** it!"
- 4 "Oh, why **have you gone** / **did you go** away, Angel, when I loved you so much?"
- 5 He **has looked** / **looked** at her with shock. **Has** / **Had** she lost her mind?

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22 Complete the sentences. Choose the correct words from the box.

would can't shall should will couldn't

- 1 "Why we stay there?"
- 2 "We continue our journey north."
- 3 "Well, what we do, darling?"
- 4 we rest here?"
- 5 "Oh, I wish you marry her if you lose me!"
- 6 "It is as it be," she whispered. "Angel, I am almost glad."

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23 Read the messages. Choose the correct description (a, b or c).

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**LYING TOGETHER BEFORE MARRIAGE IS A SIN
AND YOU WILL GO TO HELL**

- a Married people will not go to hell.
- b People who are not married will go to hell.
- c You should not have sex before marriage because it is wrong and you will go to hell.

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Dear Tess

We are all glad to hear that you are going to be married soon. But I warn you not to say a thing about your past troubles. Many women have had troubles like yours – why should you have a conscience about yours when they have no conscience about theirs?

Please be happy. We will send you some pork and cider for your wedding.

Your loving mother,

J. Durbeyfield

- a Tess's mother thinks she shouldn't worry about her past because others don't.
- b Tess's mother thinks she shouldn't keep her past a secret.
- c Tess's mother thinks people should keep their past a secret so they don't cause troubles for others.

3

But, Angel, please come to me. The day has nothing to show me, as you are not here. I don't like to see birds in the fields because you are not here to see them with me. I only want one thing in this world – to meet you, my own love. Come to me and save me from this temptation!

- a Tess doesn't understand why Angel will not come home to her.
- b Tess thinks it is already too late for Angel to come home to her.
- c Tess wants Angel to come home to her before it is too late.

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Sir

I no longer live at Marlott but near Trantridge. My daughter is away from me at the moment, living in Sandbourne. But I do not think she would want you to visit her there.

Yours

J. Durbeyfield

- a Tess's mother wants Angel to visit Tess.
- b Tess's mother is telling Angel that Tess has moved on with her life.
- c Tess's mother is asking Angel to visit Tess as soon as she returns home.

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THIS LARGE MANSION FOR RENT WITH FURNITURE

- a You don't need furniture if you want to live in this big house.
- b You might want to change the furniture if you live in this big house.
- c You need furniture if you want to live in this big house.

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24 Change the reported questions into direct questions.

1 One of the brothers asked Angel what he was going to do.

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2 Tess asked where her father was.

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3 He asked her what they called her.

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4 His mother asked him if she was from a good family.

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5 He asked Tess why she had said no.

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6 Marian asked her if she was going to marry him.

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25 Circle the correct words.

1 He stopped and looked her over with a **determination** / **determined** eye.

2 Her family needed the money, and it was **harvest** / **harvester** time – the busiest time of the year for farm workers.

3 As they stood there wondering what to do, they heard **splash** / **splashing** coming from round the bend in the lane.

4 She told him of her situation and the terrible **tempt** / **temptation** to accept help from someone else.

5 “But please will you forgive me for my **sin** / **sinner** against you, now that I have killed him?”

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26 Complete the sentences. Write the words in brackets in the correct order.

1 She had a (beautiful / mouth / red / soft) and (eyes/ innocent / large).

2 She then lost her (beauty / dreamy / strange) and became again just a beautiful milkmaid.

3 They could see the (fog / gentle / summer) on the fields.

4 Pictures of (angry-looking / strange / women) hung on the walls.

5 In front of these stood a (building / large / red) with grey roofs.

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27 Complete the sentences with words that use a stem and a suffix from the table.

Stem			Suffix
forgive	glad	life	-less
sad	sun	use	-ness

- 1 But a new was waiting for her when she arrived home and learned that the baby had become sick.
- 2 She had heard from Mrs Crick that Mr Clare had once said it would be for him to marry a grand lady when he had butter to churn and corn to reap.
- 3 The evening, though, was still warm and Tess's arms were bare.
- 4 "You have something to tell me?" Tess said, quickly, her voice full of
- 5 When he finally spoke, his voice was
- 6 "Oh, Tess, this is not about"

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28 Write **B** (*Building*) or **N** (*Nature*) in the boxes after these words.

barn	<input type="checkbox"/>	church	<input type="checkbox"/>	harvest	<input type="checkbox"/>	hedge	<input type="checkbox"/>
lodgings	<input type="checkbox"/>	mansion	<input type="checkbox"/>	swede	<input type="checkbox"/>	vault	<input type="checkbox"/>
reed	<input type="checkbox"/>	vale	<input type="checkbox"/>				

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29 Match the words and write the new words or phrases.

- | | | |
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| 1 church | angel | |
| 2 guardian | house | |
| 3 land | house | |
| 4 milk | lady | |
| 5 public | maid | |
| 6 summer | yard | |

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30 Match the words from exercise 29 with the definitions.

- 1 a woman whose job is to take milk from cows in a dairy
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- 2 a woman who owns or manages a pub or lodging house
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- 3 a place where people go to buy drinks and meet friends
.....
- 4 a small building in a garden where you can sit in warm weather
.....
- 5 the area where dead bodies are usually put under the ground
.....
- 6 a person, or something like a ghost, who looks after someone
when they need help or are in a dangerous situation
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