

**1a Model answers:**

**By** Thomas Hardy

**It is about** the lives and problems of people living in a time of lots of change in 19th century England, and the sad story of an innocent young woman called Tess.

**The story happens** in the south-west of England during the Industrial Revolution.

**The people in the story are** people who live and work in the countryside, mostly from the lower classes.

**It is a sad story.**

**Trantridge:** Mrs d'Urberville and Alec lived there and Tess found work there after the horse was killed

**Flintcomb Ash:** Tess found work there after Angel left her

**Melchester:** Tess and Angel tried to escape there

**Stonehenge:** Tess was caught by the police there

**1b**

At the time of the story, people used to ...
travel by horse and cart
work on the land
believe in God and sin
die very young
think that men could do what they wanted to
write letters

At the time of the story, people didn't use to ...
travel by car
work in offices
be free thinkers
live a very long time
think that women could do what they wanted to
use the telephone

**2a Model answers:**

**Marlott:** Tess was born there

**Kingsbere:** the d'Urbervilles had a family vault there and Tess's family slept there when they were homeless

**Talbothays:** Tess and Angel met and fell in love there

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

**2c Model answers:**

1 Angel meets Tess but misses his chance to get to know her.

2 Alec saves Tess from some unkind girls, but at a high price.

3 Tess asks Angel to forgive her for her past, but he can't stay with her.

4 Tess works on the threshing machine while Alec watches her and thinks about temptation.

5 Tess and Angel escape to Stonehenge after Tess kills Alec, but the police catch her.

**3 Model answers:**

1 If Prince had not been killed, Tess would not have gone to work at the d'Urberville's house.

2 If Tess hadn't ridden off with Alec, she would not have had a baby.

3 If Tess's baby had been baptised, he wouldn't have been buried at night.

4 If Tess hadn't told Angel about her past, he wouldn't have left her.

5 If Tess's family hadn't lost their home, she wouldn't have needed Alec's help.

6 If Angel had come home sooner, she wouldn't have married and killed Alec.

**4** *Model answers:*

**Religion:** baptise  
bury  
hell  
sin  
temptation

**Law:** blame  
escape  
innocent  
judgement  
police

**Work:** dairy  
earn  
harvest  
reap  
Industrial Revolution

**5a** *Reader's own answer.*

**5b** *Reader's own answer.*

**6a** *Reader's own answer.*

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**6c** *Reader's own answer.*