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**1 Tick  five true things about the Railway Children in Chapter One.**

- 1 They lived in a beautiful house in London.
- 2 There were two girls and a boy.
- 3 They were not a happy family.
- 4 Their father had to go with some men.
- 5 The children had to leave their house and go to a new home in the countryside.
- 6 The name of their new house was Two Chimneys.
- 7 There were rats in the house.
- 8 The children liked their new home.

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**2 Complete the text. Choose the correct words from the box. There are two extra words.**

station   exciting   ran   big   going   cold   railway   countryside   train

Bobbie: What beautiful <sup>1</sup> ..... !  
Peter: Look! There's the <sup>2</sup> ..... . That green <sup>3</sup> .....  
is very close!  
Phyllis: And it's very <sup>4</sup> ..... !  
Bobbie: This is <sup>5</sup> ..... !  
Phyllis: Is that train <sup>6</sup> ..... to London? Father is in London!  
Bobbie: I don't know. Let's walk to the <sup>7</sup> ..... and we can ask.

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**3 Read the text and choose the best answers (a, b or c).**

- 1 Perks: Peter, that coal is for the trains! Why are you stealing it?  
Peter: **a** I'm not sorry. We are not poor.  
**b** I'm sorry. It's for my family. We're poor.  
**c** No, I'm not stealing it!
- 2 Perks: I understand but you did a bad thing.  
Peter: **a** Are you taking me to the police?  
**b** How much is it?  
**c** The police are coming.

3 Perks: No. You can go home but you must not steal my coal again!

- Peter: a Can I take it with me?  
b I don't want to go home.  
c Thank you! You're very kind.

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**4 Answer the questions about Chapter Three.**

- 1 Where is the green train going? .....
- 2 What can the train take to their father? .....
- 3 Who is always on that train? .....
- 4 What do the children do to him? .....
- 5 Why does Mother need a doctor? .....
- 6 What do the children need money for? .....

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**5 Complete the sentences about Chapter Three. Use one, two or three words.**

- 1 The Old Gentleman ..... at the station.
- 2 Phyllis tells him about their .....
- 3 The next day Perks comes to the house with ..... and money from the Old Gentleman.
- 4 The Old Gentleman is ..... !
- 5 Mother is not happy .....
- 6 They ..... to the Old Gentleman.

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**6 Put the events in Chapter Four in the correct order (1–8).**

- a  Bobbie and Phyllis wave their red petticoats at the train.
- b  The children have presents.
- c  The children save the passengers.
- d  The driver cannot see the rocks and trees on the railway.
- e  The red train is coming.
- f  The train stops.
- g  The trees are on the railway.
- h  The trees move.

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**7 Complete the sentences. Choose one word for each gap.**

Mother: Bobbie, why <sup>1</sup> ..... you crying?  
 Bobbie: I know about Father. He's <sup>2</sup> ..... prison. I saw it in this newspaper.  
 Mother: Father <sup>3</sup> ..... nothing wrong. It's a mistake.  
 Bobbie: Yes, I know. Father's <sup>4</sup> ..... good man.  
 Mother: Some men came to our London house. Do you remember? They <sup>5</sup> ..... policemen. You <sup>6</sup> ..... not tell Peter or Phyllis.

- 1 are            do            is
- 2 at            in            on
- 3 do            did            didn't
- 4 a            any            some
- 5 are            was            were
- 6 could        have        must

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**8 Circle the correct words.**

Phyllis    What are those <sup>1</sup> **children** / **drivers** doing?  
 Peter:     They're playing a <sup>2</sup> **game** / **football**. They're running into the tunnel.  
 Bobbie:   That's <sup>3</sup> **dangerous** / **good**! The tunnel is long and dark.  
 Phyllis:   Look, there is one more boy. He's wearing a red <sup>4</sup> **jumper** / **T-shirt**.  
 Peter:     Let's go to the <sup>5</sup> **end** / **start** of the tunnel.  
               The children are coming out of the tunnel <sup>6</sup> **now** / **then**.

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**9 Write *yes* or *no*.**

- 1 The children help the boy. ....
- 2 The boy's arm is broken. ....
- 3 His parents are on holiday. ....
- 4 The Old Gentleman is the boy's grandfather. ....
- 5 The Old Gentleman helps the children's father. ....
- 6 All the children meet their father at the station. ....

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10 Read the definitions. Choose the correct words from the box. There are two extra words.

mistake    accident    spy    coal    save    kind    passenger    dead    steal

- 1 This person learns things about another country. ....
- 2 You do something wrong. You make a ... ..
- 3 You sit in a train, a car or a boat and you go to a place.  
You are not the driver. ....
- 4 You put this on a fire. Old trains needed it. It is black. ....
- 5 You take something from a person. It is not yours. ....
- 6 Not living. ....
- 7 There are trees on the railway. The driver cannot stop the train.  
Then there is an ... ..

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