Before-reading questions

- 1 Reader's own answer.
- **2 a** She was born on 16 December 1775 in Steventon, Hampshire. She died on 18 July 1817.
 - **b** Her parents were George and Cassandra Austen. She had six brothers and one sister, Cassandra. She was very close to her sister. Jane Austen never married.
 - **c** Sense and Sensibility, Pride and Prejudice, Mansfield Park, Emma, Persuasion, Northanger Abbey
- **3** Example answer: In the early 1800s in England, many women did not have jobs, so they could not get money of their own. Men and women often chose a wife or husband because they were rich.

During-reading questions

CHAPTER ONE

- 1 Elizabeth wanted to marry William and Sir Walter was happy with this as Kellynch Hall could stay in the family. But William was not interested in Elizabeth. He married a woman from a very rich family, but they were not important enough for Sir Walter. So, Sir Walter and Elizabeth are angry with William.
- **2** Their advice is for Sir Walter to save money by living somewhere cheaper and renting Kellynch Hall to tenants.
- 3 Anne is not happy about moving to Bath. She does not like Bath because she was there when her mother died. So, when she thinks about Bath she becomes sad. Also, she wants to stay in the area near Kellynch Hall, her home of many years.

CHAPTER TWO

- 1 Lady Russell persuaded Anne to end the relationship because Frederick Wentworth did not have much money.
- **2** Lady Russell does not approve of Mrs Clay because she is worried that Mrs Clay wants to marry Sir Walter.
- **3** Anne goes to stay with her sister Mary at Uppercross Cottage.

CHAPTER THREE

- 1 Anne feels confused, worried and embarrassed about meeting Captain Wentworth again.
- **2** Mary does not think that Mr Hayter is a good husband for Henrietta because his family are poorer than the Musgroves and not as important.
- **3** Little Walter climbs on to Anne's back and is hurting her. Captain Wentworth comes and takes him away.

CHAPTER FOUR

- 1 Louisa tells Captain Wentworth that her brother Charles wanted to marry Anne.
- **2** Captain Wentworth goes to visit an old friend in Lyme. He tells everyone that it is a very pretty and interesting little town. So they decide to go there.
- **3** Captain Benwick was engaged to Captain Harville's sister, Fanny, but she became ill and died.

CHAPTER FIVE

- 1 Louisa jumps down some steps, and falls and hits her head on the ground.
- 2 Anne thinks that Captain Wentworth might be at the Crofts. She does not want Lady Russell to meet him because Lady Russell does not like him, and he does not like Lady Russell.
- **3** William Elliot is visiting Sir Walter and Elizabeth in Bath.

CHAPTER SIX

- 1 Anne and Mrs Smith first met when they were at school together in Bath.
- **2** Lady Russell wants Anne to marry William Elliot because she wants Anne to be Lady Elliot of Kellynch Hall, like her mother.
- **3** Mary's surprising news is that Louisa is engaged to Captain Benwick, not Captain Wentworth.

CHAPTER SEVEN

- 1 Sir Walter wants to go to the concert because a lot of rich and important people will be there.
- **2** Captain Wentworth leaves the concert quickly because he thinks that Anne is interested in William Elliot, and he is jealous.
- **3** William Elliot gave Mrs Smith's husband bad advice. He lost a lot of money and later died.

CHAPTER EIGHT

- 1 Captain Wentworth wants to tell Anne that he still loves her. He heard Anne say to Captain Harville that when a woman really loves a man, she will never forget him.
- **2** Anne does not want Charles to take her home because she is hoping to find Captain Wentworth quickly.
- **3** William Elliot and Mrs Clay have a secret relationship.

After-reading questions

1 *Example answer*: When men and women got married, money was very important. People often got married for money, not love. Rich people and poor people had very different lives. The poor worked hard to live, but rich people did not

- need to work. They enjoyed going to parties and dancing, and driving in their carriages. Many rich people went to Bath for the winter.
- **2 a** Sir Walter Elliot is Anne's vain father. He usually ignores her feelings. When Sir Walter leaves Kellynch Hall and moves to Bath, Anne is able to meet Captain Wentworth again.
 - **b** Lady Russell is Anne's good friend. She loves Anne and tries to do her best for her. When Anne was a young girl, she always listened to Lady Russell's advice. Eight years before the story begins, Lady Russell persuaded Anne not to marry Captain Wentworth.
 - c William Elliot is Anne's cousin. He is not a good person. He married a rich woman only for her money. He gave Mrs Smith's husband bad advice about money, and her husband later became ill and died. He wants to marry Anne, but at the same time he has a secret relationship with Mrs Clay. He is very different from Captain Wentworth.
 - d Mrs Smith is Anne's old schoolfriend. She is now a poor widow, but Anne enjoys visiting her very much. Mrs Smith knew William Elliot in the past and is able to tell Anne about her husband's relationship with William Elliot. So Anne knows that she was right not to trust William Elliot.
- **3** Elizabeth and Mary are like Sir Walter because they are only interested in people from rich and important families.
- 4 Reader's own answer.

Exercises

CHAPTER ONE

1 1

1 false

He has three daughters.

2 false

Elizabeth and Anne live with their father.

3 false

William Elliot is Sir Walter's nephew.

4 false

Mr Shepherd wants Sir Walter to rent Kellynch Hall.

5 true

6 false

Mr Shepherd finds an excellent tenant for Kellynch Hall.

CHAPTER TWO

- **2** 1 When Anne and Captain Wentworth met, they **fell** in love.
 - **2** Lady Russell **persuaded** Anne to end the relationship.
 - **3** "Do you think that Mrs Clay **is planning** to marry Father?" Anne asked.
 - **4** When Anne arrived at Uppercross Cottage, Mary **was resting** on a sofa.
 - **5** "Nobody **has visited** me all morning," said Mary.
 - **6** Henrietta and Louisa Musgrove **had** a very warm relationship.

CHAPTERS ONE AND TWO

- 3 1 Elizabeth was beautiful, but she was also very vain.
 - **2** Lady Russell always tried to give Sir Walter good **advice**.
 - **3** Mr Shepherd **persuaded** Sir Walter to rent Kellynch Hall.
 - **4** When Anne ended the **relationship**, she felt very sad.
 - **5** Anne never **blamed** Lady Russell.
 - **6** Anne felt **embarrassed** about meeting Captain Wentworth again.

CHAPTER THREE

4 1 Anne

2 Mary

3 Charles

4 Anne

5 Charles

6 Mary

7 Anne

CHAPTER FOUR

- **5** 1 Anne and Mary were getting ready for the walk.
 - 2 Louisa and Captain Wentworth were talking together.
 - **3** Anne was not walking with Captain Wentworth.
 - **4** A carriage **was coming** along the road.
 - **5** The Harvilles **were renting** a small house in Lyme.
 - **6** Captain Benwick **was not staying** at the hotel
 - **7** A gentleman **was standing** at the top of the steps.
 - **8** William Elliot arrived while they **were** having dinner.

CHAPTER FIVE

6 a

b 2

c 4 **d** 8

e 3

f 7

g 5 **h** 1

CHAPTER SIX

- 7 1 Who often visits Sir Walter's house in Bath?
 William Elliot often visits Sir Walter's
 house in Bath.
 - Where is Mrs Smith living?
 Mrs Smith is living in a much poorer part of Bath than Camden Place.
 - 3 How old is Mrs Smith?Mrs Smith is thirty years old.
 - **4 Why** does Anne not want to marry Mr Elliot?

Anne does not want to marry Mr Elliot because she does not know him very well, and she does not trust him.

PERSUASION

- 5 What do the Crofts bring for Anne?
 The Crofts bring a letter from Mary for Anne.
- 6 When did Mrs Croft get a letter from Frederick?Mrs Croft got a letter from Frederick yesterday.

CHAPTER SEVEN

8 1 b **2** c **3** a **4** c

CHAPTER EIGHT

- 9 1 Mary saw William Elliot with Mrs Clay in the street.
 - **2** Elizabeth invited everyone to a party at Camden Place.
 - **3** Captain Wentworth wrote a love letter to Anne.
 - **4** Mrs Musgrove asked Charles to take Anne home.

Project work

Reader's own answers.