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1 Complete the information about Harold in Chapter One.

Name: Harold ¹

Wife: ²

Address: ³ Fossebridge Road, ⁴ ,
 South Hams, ⁵

Used to work at the: ⁶

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2 Tick the six things that we learn about Queenie in Chapter One.

- 1 Her husband was called Rex.
- 2 She had cancer.
- 3 She lived in Berwick-upon-Tweed.
- 4 She was very good at her job.
- 5 She was in a hospice.
- 6 She was in love with Harold.
- 7 She was Maureen's friend.
- 8 She was very old.
- 9 She worked in Finance.
- 10 She worked with Harold.

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3 List the clothes Harold wears to leave the house in Chapter One.

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- b
- c

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4 Complete the text. Choose the correct words. There are two extra words.

sheets blister glad regretted weak picking up vacuumed dust

“The good thing about a sunny day is that it shows the ¹.....,” thought Maureen, and she was ²..... to have Harold out of the house for a few hours. She ³..... all the rooms, washed the bed ⁴..... and went outside to hang them in the sun to dry. But, when five o’clock came and she had nothing left to do, she became worried. She called Harold’s mobile and heard it ring upstairs. Then, she realized that he must be with Rex. But, when the house phone rang, she hurried to it.

“It’s Rex, Maureen. From next door. Is Harold home? It’s just that I didn’t see him come back from his walk. He was going to post a letter.”

“If Harold is not with Rex, then where is he?” Maureen thought. “Yes, of course he’s here,” she said to Rex, while terrible pictures filled her mind of policemen and hospitals. She quickly put down the phone. Then, she ⁵..... it. Rex was 74 and lived alone. Maureen was ⁶..... the phone to call him back when it rang again.

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5 Complete the phone conversation between Harold and Maureen in Chapter Two. Choose the best answers from the box.

<p>I’m on the B3196. Just outside the pub at Loddiswell.</p> <p>It’s me.</p> <p>I’ve not been drinking alcohol. I’ve only had an orange juice and I feel better than I’ve felt in years. I’ve made a promise to walk to Berwick, Maureen.</p>	<p>No. I’m in a phone box outside. I think—</p> <p>Please. I need to do this, Maureen.</p> <p>Yes! I was talking to a girl at the petrol station and she gave me the idea.</p> <p>I’m going to walk and Queenie’s going to live. I’m going to save her.</p>
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Maureen: Good evening, Rex.

Harold: **1**

Maureen: Harold? Where are you?

Harold: **2**

Maureen: Have you been drinking?

Harold: **3**

Maureen: Walk? To Berwick-upon-Tweed? You?

Harold: **4**

Maureen: You're walking to see Queenie Hennessy? You can't save people from cancer.

Harold: **5**

Maureen: Well, you go to Berwick, Harold, if that's what you want. I don't think that you'll get past Dartmoor. Are you still in the pub?

Harold: **6**

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6 Complete the text. Choose from the sentences (a–h) on the next page. There are two extra sentences.

Harold woke up feeling stiff and hungry in a room just north of Loddiswell. After his phone call to Maureen the evening before, his steps had slowed until he had reached this small hotel. ¹

Sitting up stiffly on the side of the bed, he studied his feet. There was a small blister on the heel of his left foot, but that was all. ² All he needed was a few plasters, a good breakfast, and he would be ready.

But, when he entered the hotel breakfast room, it seemed that all the heads turned towards him. There was a young man with his family, two older ladies wearing grey and a businessman with a newspaper. ³ “Full breakfast?” she said. “Tea or coffee?”

“Tea, please,” said Harold, and the waitress nodded. Harold pushed at his tie and put his hands on his knees.

“At least you’ve a nice day for it,” the waitress said, returning a few minutes later with his tea. So she remembered his story that he had tiredly told her last night. “Do you do this kind of thing often?”

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“Well,” she said. “If we don’t go mad now and then, there’s no hope.”

Harold drank his tea and said nothing, feeling uncomfortable. ⁵ He was cross with himself for not washing his socks last night.

“I hope that it’s OK to ask,” said one of the old ladies suddenly. “But we have been wondering what it is that you’re doing.”

“I’m walking,” said Harold. “To Berwick-upon-Tweed.”

“Berwick-upon-Tweed?” said the lady. “That must be about five hundred miles.”

The family man smiled at the businessman. Harold felt stupid. ⁶ What he was doing was crazy. He told the old ladies about Queenie’s letter, and was surprised when they did not laugh.

- a A waitress hurried in and showed him to a table.
- b And then he gave them all a large wave and walked towards the road.
- c Harold felt proud.
- d He had fallen asleep as soon as his body had touched the bed.
- e He began to worry that he smelled.
- f He felt people’s heads turning again.
- g They were right, of course.
- h “We do hope that you get there,” said the old ladies.

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7 Answer the questions about Chapter Three.

1 What did Maureen keep thinking about?

- a
- b
- c

2 What did she not care about when she met Harold?

- a
- b

3 What did she want to be for Harold?

- a
- b
- c

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8 Read the letters. Choose the correct description (a, b or c).

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*Dear Queenie I have come 20 miles.
You must keep waiting. Harold (Fry)*

- a Harold is on his way to see Queenie and he doesn’t want her to die first.
- b Queenie doesn’t want to wait for Harold, who is on his way to see her.
- c Queenie has to wait for Harold, who will meet her in 20 miles.

2

*Dear Maureen. I have reached Buckfast Abbey.
The weather is good, and so are my shoes, feet and legs. H*

- a Harold is trying to make Maureen angry.
- b Harold is trying to make Maureen feel better.
- c Harold is trying to make Maureen worried.

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*Dear Girl in the Petrol Station (Happy to Help). Thank you.
From the man who said that he was going for a walk.*

- a Harold wants to thank the stranger he met at the petrol station, who was not happy to help.
- b Harold thinks that the girl who works in the petrol station is called 'Happy to Help'.
- c Harold knows who the girl that helped him is and where she works, but doesn't know her name.

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9 Choose the correct answers (a, b, c or d) about Chapter Four.

- 1 What did Harold buy Queenie?
 - a A book about wild flowers.
 - b A little glass ornament.
 - c A long scarf.
 - d A picture.
- 2 Why wouldn't Harold have a beer?
 - a Because drinking had brought him too many problems.
 - b Because he didn't like drinking beer.
 - c Because he had no money to pay for it.
 - d Because he wanted to keep a clear head.
- 3 Who did Harold live with after his mother left?
 - a His aunt and uncle.
 - b His father and lots of aunties.
 - c His father's parents.
 - d His mother's parents.
- 4 In which part of the body did Harold feel a lot of pain?
 - a In his arm.
 - b In his back.
 - c In his leg.
 - d In his neck.

5 How did Martina describe Harold?

- a brave
- b crazy
- c stupid
- d wrecked

6 How long did he stay with her?

- a For one night.
- b For two nights.
- c For three nights.
- d For four nights.

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10 Read these sentences about Chapter Four. Write T (true), F (false) or DS (does not say).

- 1 Martina was from Slovakia.
- 2 She was a nurse.
- 3 Her boyfriend was a doctor.
- 4 She does cleaning jobs in England.
- 5 She put his old shoes in the bin.
- 6 Harold cried when she gave him a compass and rucksack.

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

then after suddenly as while at this

- 1 she left the doctor, Maureen felt depressed.
- 2, his father had had lots of girlfriends before telling Harold to leave when he was only 16.
- 3, Maureen jumped up, telling the doctor that she needed to think, and rushed away.
- 4 she was explaining Harold's past, she had started to see things from his position.
- 5, she realized that her husband was doing something that he believed in.
- 6 she walked down towards the sea, the truth came to her as bright as the sun.

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12 Complete the text with the missing words.

Rex drove Maureen to a pub on the beach. They sat and drank their beers and she told him
 1 strange it felt to sit in a pub again since Harold had stopped drinking. She
 and Rex both agreed that neither of them felt 2 going home and cooking, so
 they ate at the pub. They raised their glasses to Harold's journey then walked 3
 the sandy beach. The beer 4 made Maureen feel warm and light inside, like a
 young woman who was in love for the first time.

She had noticed Harold immediately, dancing crazily and happily, alone in the middle of
 the dance floor. She had never seen anyone like him. The young men that her mother had
 introduced her to all had black ties and stiff hair. Maybe he had felt her watching him
 5 that dark hall, because he suddenly stopped and looked at her. Then, he had
 come towards her through the crowd and stopped 6 close that she could smell
 his skin.

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13 Complete the lists about Harold from Chapter Six. Put the words from the box into the correct categories.

sun cream plasters better strong dog walkers
 not afraid children tall office workers biscuits

- How Harold felt:**
How Harold saw himself:
What Harold bought:
Who Harold passed:

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14 For each question about Chapter Nine, choose the correct answer: A (David), B (Harold) or C (Maureen).

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| 1 Who carried a huge brown rucksack and asked for money? | A | B | C |
| 2 Who could only listen on the phone? | A | B | C |
| 3 Who had had many jobs? | A | B | C |
| 4 Who spent hours looking out of the windows, remembering the past? | A | B | C |
| 5 Who wanted to be outside the whole time? | A | B | C |
| 6 Who was given pills for depression? | A | B | C |
| 7 Who went to university? | A | B | C |

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15 Complete the conversation. Choose the best answers (a–h) below. There are two extra answers.

Harold: Good afternoon. I am calling to speak to your patient Miss Queenie Hennessy.
 She sent me a letter just over four weeks ago.

Nurse: 1

Harold: Is she—? Is she—?

Nurse: 2

Harold: Yes.

Nurse: 3

Harold: I see.

Nurse: 4

Harold: She’s alive? She’s getting better? Good Lord! She’s waiting for me?

Nurse: 5

Harold: I’m getting near to Stroud. Please tell her that I will keep walking and she must keep living.

Nurse: 6

- a After you rang, we all noticed the change in Queenie. It was wonderful. Sometimes, she sits up. She shows us your postcards. She’s waiting, Mr Fry, like you said that she should.
- b Are you sure that you will make it?
- c Are you the man who’s walking here from Devon?
- d I believe that she will. Thank you, Mr Fry.
- e I’m very sorry but you can’t.
- f Mr Fry, Queenie has no family, no friends. When people have no one to care for, they usually die quickly.
- g When you rang and told us about your walk, I was worried that you didn’t understand how ill she was, but I was wrong. It’s an amazing thing. I don’t know how you thought of it. But maybe it’s what the world needs – a little more faith. Where are you now?
- h Why are you doing such a crazy thing?

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16 Tick all the people Harold met on his walk in Chapters Seven and Eight.

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| a cat | <input type="checkbox"/> | a dog | <input type="checkbox"/> | a father of two | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| a girl with a guitar | <input type="checkbox"/> | a grandmother | <input type="checkbox"/> | a journalist | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| a man cutting the grass | <input type="checkbox"/> | a man in a gorilla suit | <input type="checkbox"/> | a middle-aged woman | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| a school teacher | <input type="checkbox"/> | a singer | <input type="checkbox"/> | a taxi driver | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| a young pilgrim | <input type="checkbox"/> | a woman cutting roses | <input type="checkbox"/> | an actor | <input type="checkbox"/> |

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17 Complete the text. Choose the correct words (a, b, c or d).

Something happened after Harold walked away ¹

- a with
- b through
- c out
- d from

Maureen. He stopped imagining the

nurses and patients waiting for him at the hospice. He could not see the end of his ²

- a journey
- b road
- c travel
- d way

The group were travelling more and more slowly because there were so many arguments.

Maureen had said that she missed him. She wanted him home. He could not ³

- a forget
- b forgetting
- c forgot
- d to forget

that.

He kept finding pay phones and ringing her.

“I’m fine,” she kept saying. “You don’t want to hear about me.”

But he did. He wanted that ⁴

- a quite
- b right
- c so
- d too

much.

“Phoning again,” said Rich, with a smile but not really caring.

Rich said that Wilf was stealing again and Harold worried that he ⁵

- a can
- b might
- c should
- d would

be right. He knew

that the boy had the same problems as David. They kept seeing empty alcohol bottles. Rich had started killing wild animals for their food. These days, he always had blood on his T-shirt and a wild

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- a looks
- b looking
- c looked
- d look

in his eyes. He started wearing animal teeth round his neck. It worried Harold.

At camp, he often left the group to stand ⁷ **a** at a field and stare at the night sky. It was the

- b** in
- c** on
- d** to

only time that he felt free, and part of things. He thought of Maureen and Queenie. He remembered the past. Returning to the group, to find some sleeping and others singing by the camp fire, he felt

⁸ **a** frighten . What was he doing with these people?

- b** frightened
- c** frightening
- d** to frighten

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18 Match the person with what they did in Chapter Nine. Draw lines between them.

Wilf

a arrived at Berwick-upon-Tweed with his sons.

Harold

b booked a hotel room.

Kate

c disappeared.

Rich

d got on a bus with a young girl.

The dog

e went back to her boyfriend.

Maureen

f went to Hexham.

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19 Answer the questions about Chapter Ten. Choose numbers from the box.

years ago	three thirty on a Tuesday afternoon
two	eighty-seven days
	twenty years ago

- 1 When did Harold smell salt on the wind?
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- 2 How long after going to post his letter did Harold arrive at St Bernadine’s Hospice?
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- 3 When did Harold’s son kill himself?
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- 4 How many photographs did Maureen put on the wall?
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- 5 When did the girl in the petrol station’s aunt die?
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20 Circle the correct words to complete the text.

He took a few steps ¹ **closer** / **longer** and then a few more. His heart was going ² **fast** / **slow**. And, as Harold Fry finally arrived at the side of the woman that he had travelled so many miles to see, his legs almost fell ³ **above** / **under** him. She lay without moving, only ⁴ **a few** / **a lot of** feet from his touch. She was very ⁵ **big** / **small** and very ⁶ **fat** / **thin** and her hair was thin and ⁷ **black** / **white**. She seemed to have ⁸ **two** / **three** heads. One of the heads, he realized, was her cancer.

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21 Write *yes* or *no*.

- 1 When Queenie woke, she was with Harold.
- 2 She knew that she liked Harold.
- 3 She remembered how far he had walked.
- 4 She saw his beautiful ornament hanging in the window.
- 5 Her father was still alive.
- 6 Queenie died.

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

He sat alone on a seat looking out towards the water’s edge, watching the
 1 throwing stones on to the beach. The sky and sea were grey and
 heavy. Maureen walked 2 Harold.

“Hello,” she said. “Is it all right if I sit with you?”

He did not answer, but he moved 3 the seat. She sat next to him.

“How was it?” she said. “Did you visit Queenie?”

Harold nodded but said 4

“Was she pleased to see you? Did she laugh?”

“No.” His voice was weak. “She can’t speak. She has cancer growing out of her
 face. That’s why she couldn’t speak on the telephone. How did I think that I could
 stop a woman from 5 ?”

He began to cry then, his eyes shut and his mouth open. “She was a really good
 woman. Every time I used to drive her, she 6 something nice
 for me. She asked about David and Cambridge. It’s not fair, Maureen.”

“I know.” She took Harold’s hand and held it.

“As I’ve walked, I’ve been remembering so many things that I’d
 7 about David, and you and me. I even remembered my mother.
 And I’m frightened. I’m frightened that I’m going to forget them. I don’t want to
 forget his head when he was a baby, or the way that he slept when you sang to him.
 I want to keep all those things.”

“You will,” she said. “You’re just very tired, Harold.”

Then he looked at her and she looked at him, and the years fell away. She saw
 again the wild young man who had danced and 8 her with love.

WAVING

TO

LONG

THING

DIE

BRING

FORGET

FULL

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23 Complete the text. Choose one word (a, b, c or d, on the next page) for each gap.

Maureen booked a 1 room near the sea. They ate a light meal and she 2 a bath ready for
 Harold. As she washed his hair, she 3 him all the things that she had done in the past that she
 regretted. He said that it was the same for him.

After she had taken the call from the hospice, she reached for Harold’s hand. She told him what the
 nurse had said, that Queenie had died in 4

They went to visit the body and stood silently next to the bed, trying to understand how life 5
 just disappear.

“She was a good woman,” Maureen said. “She was a true friend.”

Later, they walked along the seafront in the dark. There were just a few dog walkers and runners.
 Maureen and Harold talked about small things – the garden, the day 6 David started school,
 the weather. The moon hung in the sky. Suddenly, Harold began to laugh.

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| 1 a couple | b double | c married | d pair |
| 2 a did | b got | c had | d made |
| 3 a asked | b replied | c said | d told |
| 4 a peace | b peaceful | c peacefully | d piece |
| 5 a can | b must | c should | d would |
| 6 a how | b of | c that | d what |

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24 Complete the sentences. Use the verbs in the box in the past perfect form.

paint see go bake not be feel touch die fall

- 1 He asleep as soon as his body the bed.
- 2 Maureen in Rex's house since Elizabeth
- 3 Maybe he her watching him across that dark hall, because he suddenly stopped and looked at her.
- 4 One morning, Harold was crossing the A696 when he realized that the dog
- 5 He tried to remember where he last it.
- 6 She the dining room a soft yellow. She cakes and biscuits.

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25 Choose the correct words to complete the sentences.

- 1 Then, she realized that he be with Rex.
a must b mustn't
- 2 She suggested that Harold have Alzheimer's.
a can't b might
- 3 "I don't know," he said. "I think that I be in a place called Wooler. Something like that. I maybe noticed a sign."
a might b must
- 4 "But I have no money. And I look terrible."
a could b must

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26 Complete the conditional sentences.

- 1 If Queenie (**be**) still alive, he would take the train.
- 2 Maybe it would be different if he (**finish**) school and gone to university.
- 3 If Harold (**stop**) his walk when he was so close to arriving, he would regret it for the rest of his life.
- 4 “Would things be the same if David (**have**) a different father?”
- 5 But still she asked herself, what would she do if Harold (**come**) home and told her that he needed to walk again?
- 6 “If I (**be**) you, I wouldn’t be sitting here. I’d be doing something.”

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27 Circle the correct words.

- 1 He remembered the day that his own son, David, had almost **drown** / **drowned** in the sea when he was six years old.
- 2 He slowly understood that they were talking about the new woman in **Finance** / **finances**.
- 3 She told him how Harold had spent all day sitting in a chair since he **retired** / **retirement**.
- 4 There was the dark suit jacket that he had bought for David’s **graduate** / **graduation** from university.
- 5 Rich suggested that they should begin each meal with some words about what it meant to be a **pilgrim** / **pilgrimage**.
- 6 He was **depressed** / **depression**, and he drank a lot and took a lot of pills.
- 7 And now she was starting to **dust** / **dusty** and vacuum.
- 8 He went to the window and **hang** / **hung** up the little glass ornament that he had bought Queenie in Exeter.

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28 Write H (house) or I (illness) in the boxes after these words.

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| Alzheimer’s | <input type="checkbox"/> | cancer | <input type="checkbox"/> | drawer | <input type="checkbox"/> | hospice | <input type="checkbox"/> | limp | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| patient | <input type="checkbox"/> | sheet | <input type="checkbox"/> | suffer | <input type="checkbox"/> | vacuum | <input type="checkbox"/> | | |

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

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| 1 Good | curtains | |
| 2 gorilla | Lord | |
| 3 net | representative | |
| 4 sales | suit | |

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30 Match the words from exercise 29 with the definitions.

- 1 A person who sells things for a company.
- 2 Very thin things on the windows in a house.
You can see out, but people can't see in.
- 3 You say this when you are surprised or a little angry.
- 4 Something you wear that makes you look like a big monkey.

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