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**1 Complete the information about Manny in Chapter One.**

Name: <sup>1</sup> .....

Two older brothers: <sup>2</sup> ..... and <sup>3</sup> .....  
but everyone called him <sup>4</sup> .....

Two older sisters: <sup>5</sup> ..... and <sup>6</sup> .....  
both <sup>7</sup> ..... with <sup>8</sup> .....

His mum was like: a <sup>9</sup> .....

His dad was either: at <sup>10</sup> ..... or <sup>11</sup> .....

His best friend was: <sup>12</sup> ..... or <sup>13</sup> .....  
and described himself as <sup>14</sup> .....

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**2 Match the months with Manny's plan of his life for the next year in Chapter One.  
Draw lines between them.**

- May
- July
- September
- December
- April

- a The end of everything – Harry gets married – Prisoner in my new “bedroom” – No future
- b School holidays – better times?
- c Ranjit and Jas's baby arrives – hell again
- d New year at school
- e Hell on Evington Drive

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**3 List three things Manny plans to do in Chapter One.**

- a .....
- b .....
- c .....

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

The cheat started in July and I began to go a bit crazy. <sup>1</sup> ..... It was a sunny day, the sky was blue and there were no clouds, but I didn't feel happy. I was still feeling shocked by what my dad had said in May, about marriage at 17. <sup>2</sup> .....

I met Ady nearly every afternoon that summer holiday, looking for crazy things to do. One afternoon, we were walking up Evington Road to the city centre and I was playing a game called "find the white man" because this area was about ninety per cent Asian. <sup>3</sup> ..... This is why I loved Leicester. It was a mix of everyone and very multicultural. My family didn't believe that this was a good thing, but Ady and I thought it was fantastic.

In the city centre, we went from store to store looking for something to steal. As we walked, Ady told me about a girl at school, Sarah, who wanted to go out with him. <sup>4</sup> ..... He pointed at two blonde girls who were walking towards us on the other side of the road.

"That's Sarah!" he said, excitedly, pointing at the taller girl. But I was looking at the other one, who had long, curly hair and tanned skin.

"Who's the girl with her?" I asked. <sup>5</sup> ..... As they passed us, they smiled.

We didn't see them again that afternoon, but in five minutes I had changed from not being sure about girlfriends to wanting the girl with the curly hair.

- a Almost all the shops and people were Asian or black.
- b Ady and I had just finished playing football with my cousin Ekbal and his friends.
- c His words kept repeating in my mind and I needed to do anything to stop myself thinking about them.
- d I could not stop looking at her.
- e I remember waking up one morning and feeling like I'd had enough of everything.
- f Sarah smiled again and then turned to me. "So who are you?"
- g We went into the Shires, which was the shopping centre in the middle of Leicester.
- h We were walking up another street when Ady pulled at my arm.

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5 Tick  the six things that we learn about Lisa in Chapter Two.

- 1  Her parents are racist.
- 2  She goes to Manny's school.
- 3  She has blue eyes.
- 4  She has curly hair.
- 5  She is beautiful.
- 6  She is Sarah's sister.
- 7  She is shy.
- 8  She listens to Manny.
- 9  Something about her makes Manny tell her things.
- 10  Something about her worries Manny.

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6 Choose the correct answers (a, b, c or d) about Chapter Three.

- 1 What was Manny caught stealing?
  - a a book
  - b a CD
  - c a video
  - d a video game
- 2 Who came to get Manny from the police station?
  - a Dad
  - b Harry
  - c Mum
  - d Ranjit
- 3 How did Manny feel when Ranjit put his arm round him?
  - a upset
  - b angry
  - c strange
  - d worried
- 4 Where did Manny's grandfather work?
  - a in an international company
  - b in the British police
  - c in the Indian army
  - d in the East Indian company
- 5 How far did he make Manny's dad and brothers run every morning?
  - a three miles
  - b five miles
  - c ten miles
  - d fifteen miles
- 6 When is the girl Manny's father wants him to marry coming to England?
  - a in two months
  - b in six months
  - c in a year
  - d in two years

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**7 Complete the conversation. Choose the best answers (a–f) below. There are two extra answers.**

Mr Sandhu: I have heard that your school results are dropping. Is this true?

Manny: <sup>1</sup> .....

Mr Sandhu: Manjit, we both know that you're an intelligent young man. Until last year, you were one of the top students in your year group. I've spoken to your teachers and what they have told me is not very good.

Manny: <sup>2</sup> .....

Mr Sandhu: Is there a problem with the work, Manjit, or is there something that you're not telling me about?

Manny: <sup>3</sup> .....

Mr Sandhu: Tell me, Manjit, what do your parents think of you and Lisa Jenkins . . . ?

Manny: <sup>4</sup> .....

- a Are you happy at home?
- b How do you mean, sir?
- c I don't know, sir.
- d No, sir.
- e They don't know about her.
- f They really like her, sir.

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

- 1 Lisa understood about arranged marriages. ....
- 2 She dreamed of marrying Manny. ....
- 3 Manny spends more time with his family than with Lisa's. ....
- 4 Manny was upset when Ady got expelled from school. ....
- 5 Manny went to a party with Ady and got drunk. ....
- 6 His father was waiting for him when he got home. ....

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**9 Answer the questions about Chapter Five.**

1 How did Manny start being a total bad boy after the party?

- a .....
- b .....
- c .....

2 How does Manny feel about his life?

a .....

b .....

c .....

3 How does Lisa's mum's talk make Manny feel?

a .....

b .....

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**10 Match the two parts of the sentences. Draw lines between them.**

1 I told my afternoon teacher that

2 I thought that the barman would not sell us drinks,

3 We talked about Sarah's pregnancy and

4 By three o'clock,

5 I needed to go back to school

6 I was starting to feel really sick

a Ady's plans to get a job and take care of his kid.

b as I walked into the classroom first and Ady followed about a minute after me.

c but he didn't seem to care that we were young to drink alcohol.

d for my second afternoon lesson.

e I had a bad stomach ache and I met Ady.

f we were both very drunk.

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

Harry

Ranjit

Dad

Lisa

Mum

Jas

1 ..... and ..... were keeping me in the house like a prisoner.

2 I was really missing ..... and starting to feel more and more bored and depressed.

3 Only ....., Ranjit's wife, was nice to me and gave me her small TV to watch.

4 ..... cried and talked about killing herself because I was not a good son like my brothers.

5 ..... started being really nice to me. He said that I didn't have to go if I didn't want to but it was a chance for the family to spend some time together.

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**12** Complete the lists from Chapter Six, when Manny arrives in India for the first time. Put the words from the box into the correct categories.

drank beer      tired      water buffalo      a temple      hot  
square houses      rested on a traditional bed      depressed      thirsty  
looked out of the window      met Uncle Piara      people everywhere  
alone      animals everywhere      travelled for many hours

**How Manny felt:** .....

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**What Manny did:** .....

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**What Manny saw:** .....

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**13** Put the information from Chapter Seven into the correct column.

went to shopping centres      had flown on an aeroplane      smoked *biri*  
watched football      hadn't seen an aeroplane      smoked cigarettes  
was really skinny      looked younger than 16 years old

Inderjit	Manny

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**14 Complete the text with the missing words.**

Ranjit, Jas and their kid, Gurpal, were returning to Leicester two weeks earlier <sup>1</sup> ..... us because Ranjit had to go back to work. I was jealous <sup>2</sup> ..... them and missing home so much. We had been here for six weeks – a long time. I asked my dad about going back with Ranjit, but he said <sup>3</sup> ..... there was some kind of problem with our tickets and passports. They were in a ticket office in Jullundur and we needed to wait two weeks to get them. As I had <sup>4</sup> ..... been here for six weeks, two more wasn't that much longer. That's what I said to myself, anyway.

I spent the time with Inderjit and Jasbir, checking on the fields or taking the water buffalo to drink some water. By eleven, it was too hot to work <sup>5</sup> ..... we relaxed under some trees. In the afternoon, we went back to the village and by five o'clock we were at the house, drinking tea and listening to stories that our fathers told us. Supper was at about seven and by eight it was dark outside. <sup>6</sup> ..... night, I asked my dad about the tickets and passports and every time he just laughed and told me to be patient.

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**15 Circle the correct words to complete the text.**

I wanted to be on my own so I went <sup>1</sup> **inside** / **outside**. I was <sup>2</sup> **crying** / **laughing** and I felt like I wanted to throw up. I <sup>3</sup> **closed** / **opened** my eyes and felt my head hurting and my <sup>4</sup> **heart** / **stomach** turning over and over. I <sup>5</sup> **lay** / **stood** there like that for about ten minutes until I <sup>6</sup> **fell over** / **sat down**.

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**16 Who said these words about Uncle Jag in Chapter Nine? Write A (Aunty Harpal), D (Manny's dad), I (Inderjit), R (Ranjit) or U (Uncle Piara).**

- 1 "He's not a good man. He has strange ideas about tradition and religion." .....
- 2 "We don't need Jag's dirty money!" .....
- 3 "He sent some money to India to buy some land for the family. But he just wants to take it for himself." .....
- 4 "He can be very nice but also uncaring and selfish." .....
- 5 "You were always selfish, even when you were a child . . ."

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**17** Complete the conversation between Jag and Manny in Chapter Nine. Choose the best answers from the box.

More than once, Manny, and they just gave it back.  
I've got more than enough to give them, but making that money wasn't easy.  
They don't think that education can help them manage a farm. But it can help them.  
I studied about farms at university and now I work for the Australian government.  
I can help them, but they don't want my help.  
Well, I got myself an education and went away rather than stay here and be a Jat.  
Yes, I went to school here first and then to college and to university in Delhi.

Manny: What do you do?

Jag: **1** .....

Manny: So you left here then?

Jag: **2** .....

Manny: What about Uncle Piara and Uncle Gurvinder? Did they go to school?

Jag: **3** .....

Manny: Yeah, didn't you send them money?

Jag: **4** .....

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**18** Put Jag's escape plan for Manny from Chapter Ten in the correct order (1-8).

- a  Inderjit helped Manny carry the bag to the shed.
- b  Jag and Manny made special parathas for the family.
- c  Jag gave Manny a large grey bag.
- d  Jag woke Manny just before three o'clock in the morning.
- e  Mohan gave Manny a packet.
- f  Manny gave the packet to Jag.
- g  Manny got into a car with Jag.
- h  Manny put his things at the bottom of the bag with wood on top.

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

The rest of the evening passed quickly. We had a <sup>1</sup>

- a few
- b little
- c many
- d some

drinks before going to the airport.

We gave <sup>2</sup>

- a all
- b each
- c every
- d one

other our addresses and, as the time to leave got nearer, I started to worry more

<sup>3</sup>

- a about
- b for
- c to
- d with

what would happen when I got home. I tried not <sup>4</sup>

- a cry
- b cried
- c crying
- d to cry

as I said goodbye to Jag.

Once I was on the plane, I was <sup>5</sup>

- a more
- b much
- c so
- d too

tired that I fell asleep. A few hours later, I was in the

airport in England, then on the train and then on the bus heading <sup>6</sup>

- a by
- b into
- c onto
- d towards

home.

<sup>7</sup>

- a Although
- b Because
- c Despite
- d When

I was happy seeing all the multicultural shops and restaurants that I hadn't

<sup>8</sup>

- a been
- b gone
- c was
- d went

to in months, part of me wanted to run to Ady's house. But running away was too easy.

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**20 Change the reported speech into direct speech.**

1 Ady said that I looked darker than him now.

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2 I told Ady that I definitely had to do the plan, for me.

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3 He asked if I had seen Lisa since I got back.

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4 He asked why I didn't go and see her mum and ask if she had tried to contact me.

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5 I said that I wanted to, but something stopped me, like I was too embarrassed or scared.

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6 Ady said we would go out on Saturday night.

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**21 Answer the questions about Chapters Twelve and Thirteen. Choose numbers from the box.**

half past ten	a minute	six hundred	half past five
eleven	two weeks later	three days	an hour

1 When did Manny's dad give him money for a suit for the wedding?

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2 How much money did he give him?

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3 How long did Manny feel bad for about taking the money?

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4 How long do Punjabi weddings usually last?

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5 When did Manny tell his father he was going to pick up his wedding suit?

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6 What time did Manny get woken up on the morning of his seventeenth birthday?

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7 What time did they get to the Sikh temple in Derby?

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8 What time did Ady arrive in his white car?

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**22 Write *yes* or *no*.**

- 1 Manny is sorry for running away on his wedding day. ....
- 2 His family treated him like they owned him, not like a person. ....
- 3 He lives with Lisa at her parents' house. ....
- 4 He stopped working at the supermarket. ....
- 5 He's being the person he wants to be. ....
- 6 His family is living just like before. ....

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

racist    caste    motorway    Sikhism    cheat    traditions    guilty    reputations

The only thing that I feel <sup>1</sup> ..... about is waiting until my wedding day to do the cheat. I was so angry at my family that I didn't think about how it would affect the girl's family. But I still think that my dad has all the wrong ideas about things. People like him only think about <sup>2</sup> ..... and their own reputations. I've been reading about my religion – about <sup>3</sup> ..... and arranged marriages. The caste system and all the <sup>4</sup> ..... ideas aren't part of it at all.

As for Ady, he's still as mad as before. He's working with me in the supermarket, Sarah is studying to become a nurse and Zachariah is becoming more like his dad every day. Ady was the one who helped me do the <sup>5</sup> ..... by putting my extra clothes in those toilets by the <sup>6</sup> ..... and borrowing his brother's car to get me.

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

forget    do    know    be    meet    escape

- 1 I could not believe it. He was my best friend and I ..... his birthday!
- 2 I couldn't remember where I .....
- 3 My mum and dad were talking to a couple who they ..... on the plane.
- 4 I decided that I didn't care who .....
- 5 He was like a scared kid when he realized what he ....., but I told him not to worry.
- 6 Jag ..... all the traditional stuff and he was succeeding in life.

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**25 Choose the correct words to complete the sentences.**

- 1 “It’s good, .....?” he said, and laughed.  
a is it    b isn’t it
- 2 “We can’t do anything to change things now, .....?”  
a can we                                        b can’t we
- 3 “Well, at least it won’t be just me, .....?” I said.  
a will it                                         b won’t it
- 4 “I’m not going anywhere, .....?”  
a am I    b aren’t I

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**26 Complete the conditional sentences.**

- 1 “My parents would have no problem if you ..... (come) to my house.”
- 2 I was also scared that if I ..... (say) no, my dad would kill me and my mum would kill herself.
- 3 But then Ady got expelled and the school told me that I would be next if I didn’t start ..... (not start) coming to my lessons.
- 4 I started to worry more about what would happen when I ..... (get) home.

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**27 Circle the correct words.**

- 1 There were so many buses and hundreds of people and **beggars** / **begging** around.
- 2 “Well done. You’ve **embarrassed** / **embarrassing** all of us now, innit?” he said.
- 3 Sarah was **pregnancy** / **pregnant** and Ady was looking forward to becoming a dad.
- 4 I thought that we must be closer to the **Punjab** / **Punjabi** now.
- 5 My family still believed that we would get **marriage** / **married** at the end of November.
- 6 It was a **tradition** / **traditional** in Punjabi families for all the family to travel to the wedding with the boy, to the city where the girl lives.

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**28 Complete the lists. Put the words from the box into the correct categories.**

- hug    tie    racist    immigrant    yard    servant    congratulate    hell    shed

**Actions:** .....

**People:** .....

**Places:** .....

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

- |            |          |       |
|------------|----------|-------|
| 1 arranged | class    | ..... |
| 2 black    | laws     | ..... |
| 3 friend   | marriage | ..... |
| 4 game     | out      | ..... |
| 5 in-      | over     | ..... |
| 6 pass     | sheep    | ..... |
| 7 throw    | ship     | ..... |
| 8 working- | up       | ..... |

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**30 Match the words from exercise 29 with the definitions.**

- 1 Relatives by marriage, for example the father or mother of your husband or wife. ....
- 2 Used to say that it is not now possible to continue or succeed with something you were doing. ....
- 3 When food or drink that was in your stomach comes out of your mouth because you are ill or drunk ....
- 4 When two people like each other and get on well. ....
- 5 To fall asleep because you are very drunk or to fall to the ground suddenly because you are ill, too hot, or have had a big surprise. ....
- 6 Part of a group of people who have less money or education than others and often work in manual (= using their hands, etc.) jobs. ....
- 7 Someone who is different from the other members of their family in a way that people think is bad or embarrassing. ....
- 8 When parents choose a wife or husband for their son or daughter. ....

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