



Jekyll and Hyde – Robert Louis Stevenson

Comprehension exercises – ANSWERS

CHAPTER 1

- 1 He is a good man and very kind. If his friends have a problem, they often come to him and Utterson always tries to help them, instead of judging them.
- 2 He goes for a stroll around London.
- 3 a sinister building and door on a quiet side street
- 4 A man crashes into her and tramples over her.
- 5 from inside the building that Utterson and Enfield are looking at
- 6 He hated him straight away.

CHAPTER 2

- 1 Dr Jekyll's will
- 2 because the will leaves everything to Mr Hyde but he is a terrible person
- 3 his old friend, Dr Lanyon
- 4 because he started believing in silly, unscientific ideas
- 5 Utterson thinks that Jekyll did something bad when he was younger and now Hyde is blackmailing him.
- 6 outside the sinister building
- 7 A yard connects the laboratory (the sinister building) and Jekyll's house.

CHAPTER 3

- 1 at Jekyll's house
- 2 that they are old-fashioned
- 3 If something happens to Jekyll, he wants Utterson to make sure that Hyde inherits everything.

CHAPTER 4

- 1 because it was extremely violent but also because the victim was well respected and worked for the government
- 2 a female servant
- 3 Hyde murders him by hitting him with a cane.
- 4 to Hyde's house in Soho
- 5 They find half the cane, which proves Hyde murdered Carew.
- 6 several thousand pounds
- 7 Hyde's family cannot be found. There are no photographs of him and people's descriptions of him are all very different.

CHAPTER 5

- 1 He's upset about the murder.
- 2 a letter from Hyde
- 3 The handwriting in both letters is very similar. In many ways, it's exactly the same, except one is upright and the other leans to the right.
- 4 because it seems that Jekyll changed his handwriting and has written a letter for Hyde, who is a murderer

CHAPTER 6

- 1 He spends less time alone and more time with his friends. He once again gives, and goes to, dinner parties. He is busy and active, and he does good deeds for others.
- 2 Utterson isn't allowed in Jekyll's house.
- 3 because he had a huge shock
- 4 a letter from Lanyon that he mustn't open until Jekyll's death or disappearance
- 5 in his private study, above the laboratory

CHAPTER 7

- 1 to the sinister building, the laboratory
- 2 Dr Jekyll, through a half-open window
- 3 He's very down.
- 4 the expression of terror on Jekyll's face

CHAPTER 8

- 1 Jekyll's butler, Poole
- 2 He thinks there has been some criminal behaviour.
- 3 They are afraid.
- 4 It doesn't sound like Jekyll's voice.
- 5 that Hyde has murdered Jekyll
- 6 They are orders to pharmacists for powder.
- 7 He breaks down the door to Jekyll's study.
- 8 Hyde
- 9 This time, Utterson will inherit everything.

CHAPTER 9

- 1 a drawer and its contents
- 2 Hyde
- 3 He transforms into Jekyll.
- 4 He's terrified and his mind is troubled.

CHAPTER 10

- 1 his pleasures
- 2 that humans have two parts
- 3 It transforms Jekyll into Hyde.
- 4 Yes, he does for a long time because he feels free. But he begins to feel worried about transforming into Hyde, the hates murderer.
- 5 He transforms into Hyde without drinking the potion.
- 6 He hates Jekyll.
- 7 He has run out of powder for his potion.
- 8 He kills himself because he is afraid of being hanged.