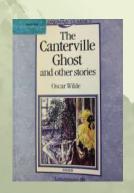




ACTIVITY BOOK



THE CANTERVILLE GHOST AND OTHER STORIES



QUESTIONS ON EACH STORY

THE NUMBER IN BRACKETS AFTER EACH QUESTION SHOWS YOU WHICH CHAPTER TO LOOK AT.

THE CANTERVILLE GHOST

1 WHY WAS IT "A VERY FOOLISH THING" TO BUY CANTERVILLE CHASE? (1)

2 HOW MANY MEMBERS OF THE OTIS FAMILY WENT TO CANTERVILLE CHASE? (1)

3 HOW DID WASHINGTON OTIS DEAL WITH THE BLOODSTAIN? (1)

4 WHAT SOUNDED LIKE "THE CLANK OF METAL"? (2)

5 WHO THREW A PILLOW AT THE GHOST? (2)

6 WHAT MADE THE FEARFUL CRASH IN THE HALL? (3)

7 WHAT DID MRS OTIS OFFER TO THE GHOST? (3)

8 HOW DID THE GHOST PLAN TO FRIGHTEN MRS OTIS? (3)

9 WHY WAS THE CANTERVILLE GHOST FRIGHTENED BY THE OTHER "GHOST"? (3)

10 WHAT HAD THE TWINS USED A PUMPKIN FOR? (3)

11 WHAT CAUSED THE GHOST TO HAVE A BAD FALL? (4)

12 WHERE HAD THE BUCKET OF WATER BEEN BEFORE THE GHOST ARRIVED? (4)

13 WHO CAME TO SPEND A WEEK AT CANTERVILLE CHASE? (4)

14 WHY DID VIRGINIA SPEAK TO THE GHOST? (5)

15 WHAT DID THE GHOST USE VIRGINIA'S PAINTS FOR? (HE USED THEM TO...) (5)

16 WHERE WERE THE OLD LINES OF POETRY? (5)

17 WHERE DID VIRGINIA APPEAR FROM? (6)

18 WHOSE SKELETON DID THEY FIND? (6)

19 WHO WAS THE DUCHESS OF CHESHIRE? (7)

20 WHAT DID THE DUKE OF CHESHIRE WANT HIS WIFE TO TELL HIM? (7)





LORD ARTHUR SAVILE'S CRIME

- 1 WHAT IS A CHIROMANTIST? (1)
- 2 WHOSE HAND DID MR PODGERS READ FIRST? (1)
- 3 WHO WANTED TO HAVE HIS HAND READ? (1)
- **4 WHAT FRIGHTENED MR PODGERS? (1)**
- 5 WHO WAS LORD ARTHUR IN LOVE WITH? (1)
- 6 WHAT HAD MR PODGERS SEEN IN LORD ARTHUR'S HANDS? (2)
- 7 WHAT HAD THE MAN WHO WAS DESCRIBED IN THE NOTICE DONE? (2)
- 8 WHAT DID LORD ARTHUR'S SENSE OF DUTY TELL HIM TO DO? (3)
- 9 WHAT DID HE DECIDE TO DO TO LADY CLEMENTINA? (3) 10 WHAT WAS IN THE CAPSULE? (3)
- 11 WHAT DID LORD ARTHUR TELL LADY CLEM THAT THE CAPSULE WAS FOR? (3)
- 12 WHY DID LORD ARTHUR RETURN FROM RAVENNA TO VENICE? (4)
- 13 WHO WERE WITH LORD ARTHUR IN LADY CLEMENTINA'S HOUSE? (4)
- 14 WHY DID THE DISCOVERY OF THE CAPSULE GIVE LORD ARTHUR A SHOCK? (4)
- 15 WHY ARE EXPLOSIVE CLOCKS NOT GOOD FOR SENDING ABROAD? (5)
- 16 WHAT WAS ON TOP OF THE CLOCK? (5)
- 17 WHERE WAS THE CLOCK WHEN IT WENT OFF? (5)
- 18 WHERE DID LORD ARTHUR SEE MR PODGERS? (5)
- 19 WHAT IS THE SUBJECT THAT LORD ARTHUR DOESN'T LIKE PEOPLE TO LAUGH ABOUT? (6)
- 20 WHY IS HE SERIOUS ABOUT IT? (6)

THE SPHINX WITHOUT A SECRET

1 WHERE DID THE WRITER AND LORD MURCHISON MEET (A) FIRST, AND (B) TEN YEARS LATER?

- 2 WHEN DOES THE SPHINX IN EGYPT SEEM TO BE SMILING?
- 3 WHERE WAS LADY ALROY WHEN LORD MURCHISON FIRST SAW HER?
- 4 WHAT DID LADY ALROY CALL HERSELF AT WHITAKER'S LIBRARY?
- **5 WHERE DID LADY ALROY DROP HER HANDKERCHIEF?**
- 6 WHAT WAS THE CAUSE OF LADY ALROY'S DEATH?





THESE ARE HARDER QUESTIONS. READ THE INTRODUCTION, AND THINK HARD ABOUT THE QUESTIONS BEFORE YOU ANSWER THEM. SOME OF THEM ASK FOR YOUR OPINION, AND THERE IS NO FIXED ANSWER.

1 IN THE CANTERVILLE GHOST WE ARE TOLD THAT LADY ELEANORE DE CANTERVILLE WAS MURDERED IN 1575.

A WHO MURDERED HER?
B HOW LONG AFTER THAT DID THE MURDERER DISAPPEAR "SUDDENLY,
AND VERY MYSTERIOUSLY"?
C WHAT ACTUALLY HAPPENED TO THE MURDERER AT THAT TIME?
D WHAT ENDED THE HAUNTING OF CANTERVILLE CHASE?

2 WHAT SEEMS TO BE THE RIGHT WEATHER FOR GHOSTS AND HAUNTING? IF POSSIBLE, GIVE EXAMPLES FROM THE STORY TO SUPPORT YOUR

ANSWER. 3 IN LORD ARTHUR SAVILE'S CRIME THE STORY HAS A HAPPY ENDING FOR LORD ARTHUR.

A WHAT IS THE HAPPY ENDING?
B DO YOU THINK LORD ARTHUR DESERVES A HAPPY ENDING?

GIVE REASONS FOR YOUR ANSWER TO THIS QUESTION.

4 WHY IS THE STORY CALLED A "STUDY OF DUTY"?

5 OSCAR WILDE IS NOT ALWAYS SERIOUS IN THESE STORIES.

LOOK AT THESE QUOTATIONS AND SAY WHETHER YOU THINK THEY SHOULD BE TAKEN SERIOUSLY. CAN YOU EXPLAIN YOUR ANSWERS?

A "A FUTURE WIFE OUGHT NOT TO KNOW EVERYTHING ABOUT THE MAN SHE IS TO MARRY." (PAGE 26)

B "AFTER CAREFUL THOUGHT, HE DECIDED TO BLOW UP HIS UNCLE, THE DEAN OF CHICHESTER." (PAGE 36) C "IT WAS UNFORTUNATE THAT HE ALWAYS TOLD THE TRUTH." (PAGE 46)

D "WE ARE MEANT TO LOVE WOMEN, NOT TO UNDERSTAND THEM." (PAGE 46)

6 DID ANYTHING AMUSE YOU IN

- (A) THE CANTERVILLE GHOST:
- (B) LORD ARTHUR SAVILE'S CRIME:

(C) THE SPHINX WITHOUT A SECRET? IF YOU ANSWER YES, CAN YOU SAY WHAT AMUSED YOU MOST? IF YOU ANSWER NO FOR ANY OF THE STORIES, IS THERE ANYTHING YOU BELIEVE WILDE MEANT TO BE AMUSING?

7 WHICH OF THE STORIES DID YOU LIKE BEST? CAN YOU EXPLAIN YOUR ANSWER?



AMBASSADOR

A PERSON WHO IS SENT BY THE GOVERNMENT OF HIS OWN COUNTRY TO REPRESENT IT IN ANOTHER COUNTRY

ARMOUR

STRONG METAL COVERING FOR THE BODY OF A FIGHTING MAN IN THE PAST

CAPSULE

AN OUTER COVERING

CONTAINING A MEASURED AMOUNT OF POWDERED OR LIQUID MEDICINE

DEAN

(IN THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND) A CHURCHMAN OF HIGH RANK IN CHARGE OF THE WORK OF A NUMBER OF PRIESTS

HAUNT

VISIT AS A GHOST

HOUSEKEEPER

A WOMAN WHO CONTROLS THE CLEANING, COOKING, ETC. OF A LARGE HOUSE

PEASHOOTER

A SMALL TUBE USED BY CHILDREN FOR BLOWING DRIED PEAS (ROUND GREEN SEEDS USUALLY COOKED AND EATEN AS A VEGETABLE)

POSTPONE

DELAY UNTIL A LATER TIME

PUMPKIN

A VERY LARGE ROUND FRUIT THAT GROWS ON THE GROUND

SKELETON

ALL THE BONES OF A BODY WITHOUT FLESH

SPHINX

AN ANCIENT EGYPTIAN FIGURE OF A LION, LYING DOWN, WITH A HUMAN HEAD: THE SPHINX IS A VERY BIG ONE OF THESE NEAR THE PYRAMIDS OF GIZA IN EGYPT, FAMOUS FOR A MYSTERIOUS SMILE SEEN IN CERTAIN LIGHTS

STAIN

A MARK MADE ON SOMETHING THAT IS DIFFICULT TO CLEAN OFF

TWIN

ONE OF TWO CHILDREN BORN AT THE SAME TIME OF THE SAME MOTHER

VEIL

A COVERING OF THIN MATERIAL FOR A WOMAN'S FACE

WILL

A PAPER IN WHICH THE PERSON WHO SIGNS IT STATES WHO IS TO RECEIVE HIS OR HER PROPERTY AFTER HIS OR HER DEATH

