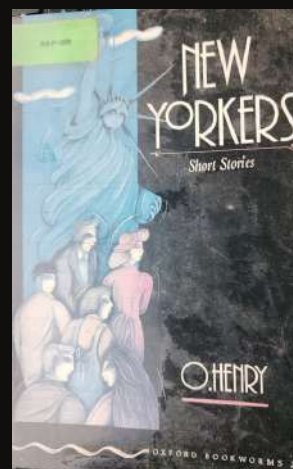




NEW YORKERS

ACTIVITY BOOK



NEW YORKEYS

Exercises

A Checking your understanding

The Christmas Presents Write answers to these questions.

- 1 How did Della save money?
- 2 What two special things did the Dillingham Youngs have?
- 3 Where did Della go first when she went out?
- 4 Why did she go there?
- 5 Why couldn't Jim wear his gold chain?

Soapy's Choice Are these sentences true (T) or false (F)?

- 1 Soapy usually spent his winters in Madison Square.
- 2 Soapy's first plan was to throw a stone through a shop window.
- 3 Soapy took an umbrella from a man in a shop. .
- 4 Soapy found a church in the middle of the city
- 5 Soapy's mother was in the church.

A Walk in Amnesia Who said these words in the story?

- 1 'You need a change and a rest.'
- 2 'These men just want something more exciting in their lives.'
- 3 'My suitcase is lost.'
- 4 'You haven't changed much in fifteen years, Elwyn.'
- 5 'What is the matter with him?'

Tildy's Moment Who...

- 1 ... wanted to take Aileen dancing?
- 2 ... wanted a man to love her?
- 3... kissed Tildy?
- 4... gave Tildy a dollar a week more?
- 5 ... came to work with a black eye?

The Memento How much do you remember?

- 1 Who sat with her back to Broadway?
- 2 Where was Miss Ray when her garter flew off?
- 3 Why did Miss Ray leave the theatre?
- 4 Where did Miss Ray go then?
- 5 What did the Reverend Arthur Lyle keep in a box?

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B Working with language

Soapy's Choice Choose a beginning and an ending and make four sentences.

- 1 with food and good friends
- 2 a nice young woman was standing
- 3 the moon was high in the sky
- 4 in front of a shop window
- 5 and they called a policeman
- 6 he wanted three months in a nice, warm prison
- 7 then he told them he had no money
- 8 and everything was quiet

The Memento Use these words to join the sentences.

so because but and then

- 1 All the men got very excited. Her garter flew off,
- 2 These men buy you a drink. They think that they can do what they want!
- 3 I was tired of the life. I decided to leave the theatre.
- 4 Arthur loved a young woman. He never met her.

C Activities

- 1 **The Christmas Presents.** You are James Dillingham Young. Write down what happened when you came home from work the day before Christmas.
- 2 **Soapy's Choice.** Write Soapy's diary for the day he tried to get to prison.
- 3 **A Walk in Amnesia** Write down the conversation between Mr Bellford and his wife when they went home.
- 4 **Tildy's Moment You are Aileen.** Write a letter to a friend telling him/her what happened to Tildy.
- 5 **The Memento You are Miss Ray.** Write a letter to Arthur to tell him why you have left.

- 6 Which story did you like best and which did you like least? Why?



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Glossary

- **actor/actress:** a man/woman who works in a theatre; he/she acts, sings or dances and people come to watch
- **amnesia:** forgetting everything, not knowing your name, your family, where you live, etc.
- **ate:** past tense of 'to eat'
- **been:** past participle of 'to be' beer a drink with alcohol in it
- **began:** past tense of 'to begin'
- **bought:** past tense of 'to buy'
- **broke:** past tense of 'to break'
- **brought:** past tense of 'to bring'
- **came:** past tense of 'to come'
- **cards:** pieces of hard paper with numbers or pictures to play a game
- **chain (n):** a lot of very small metal rings joined together
- **choice:** something that you choose or decide to have
- **comb (n)** something beautiful for women to put in their hair (see the picture on page 13)
- **could:** past tense of 'can'
- **curl (n):** a little ring of hair
- **drank** past tense of 'to drink'
- **druggist:** American word for a person who makes and sells medicines
- **fall in love:** with to begin to love somebody very much
- **fell:** past tense of 'to fall'
- **felt (v):** past tense of 'to feel'
- **flew:** past tense of 'to fly'
- **forgotten:** past participle of 'to forget'
- **found:** past tense of 'to find'
- **garter:** something worn by women round the top of the leg (not usually seen because it is under the skirt) gave past tense of 'to give'
- **gone:** past participle of 'to go'
- **grandfather:** the father of had your past tense of 'to have' father or mother
- **held:** past tense of 'to hold'
- **kept:** past tense of 'to keep'
- **kiss (v)** to put your mouth on the mouth of another person to show love
- **kiss (n)** the act of kissing

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GLOSSARY

- new past tense of 'to know' lawyer a person who works with the criminals
- lay past tense of 'to lie' left past tense of 'to leave'
- law, and works for or against
- lovely very nice; beautiful
- memento something which helps you to remember somebody
- met past tense of 'to meet'
- moment a very short time
- pick up to take something in the hand
- put past tense of 'to put'
- ran past tense of 'to run'
- Reverend a name given to a man of the church
- rose (n) a summer flower with a sweet smell
- sang past tense of 'to sing' sat past tense of 'to sit'
- saw past tense of 'to see'
- seen past participle of 'to see'
- sir a polite word to say to a man when you don't know his name
- sold past tense of 'to sell'
- spent past tense of 'to spend'
- spoke past tense of 'to speak'
- stood past tense of 'to stand'
- swing (n) a seat on the end of two long ropes, which moves backwards and forwards through the air
- thought past tense of 'to think' throw to move your arm quickly to send something through the air
- threw past tense of 'to throw'
- told past tense of 'to tell'
- took past tense of 'to take'
- umbrella a cover on a stick that you hold over you to keep the rain off
- understood past tense of 'to understand'
- waiter/waitress a man/woman who works in a restaurant and brings food to the table
- went past tense of 'to go'
- wore past tense of 'to wear'
- woke past tense of 'to wake'
- wrote past tense of 'to write'