

CHAPTER 6

Comprehension

1 Decide if the following statements are True or False. Write T or F in the boxes.

1. Only one person wanted to buy Black Beauty at the horse fair. ☐
2. Jerry's daughter wanted to give Black Beauty a new name. ☐
3. Some drivers at the cab stand laughed at Black Beauty because of his colour. ☐
4. Jerry did not want to take the two young men to the station. ☐
5. The man with the suitcase gave some extra money to Jerry. ☐
6. Jerry decided to go to Dinah Brown's mother because it was a Sunday. ☐

2 Complete the summary of Chapter 6 with words from the box.

wife money afternoon mother children owner

Jerry Barker became Black Beauty's new (1) _____.
 Jerry was a cab driver and Black Beauty pulled the cab every
 (2) _____. Jerry was a kind man and never made Black
 Beauty run faster for more (3) _____. Jerry did not work
 on Sundays, because he wanted to be with Polly and his
 (4) _____. One Sunday, Jerry took someone to see their
 (5) _____, who was not well. When he got home, Jerry
 gave some flowers to his (6) _____ and said that it had
 been a lovely day.

Vocabulary

3 Choose the correct word.

1. A: How did you enjoy / injure your knee?
 B: I slipped / smelt on the wet road.
2. The police stopped the driver because he was speeding / smiling.

3. I hopped / knocked on the door but nobody was at home.
4. Can you shake / smell something burning?
5. I can't find my keys. They've disappeared / examined!

4 Complete the sentences with words from the box.

fault worth customer extra buyer sorry

1. We paid a lot of money for this holiday, but I think it's _____ it.
2. Mark wants to sell his house, but he can't find a _____.
3. The accident wasn't my _____. The road was very wet.
4. I feel so _____ for Amy. She hasn't got any friends.
5. The shop wasn't empty; there was one _____.
6. If you want a better seat you have to pay _____ money.

Follow-up activities

5 Discuss.

1. 'Dolly was eight and looked just like her mother.' Do you look like someone in your family? Who do you look like, and how are you similar?
2. The drivers called Grant 'the governor' because they respected him very much. Who do you respect, and why?
3. In the story, three men were in a hurry to go somewhere. Are people these days in a hurry? Why? What are their lives like?
4. Jerry did not want to take extra money from his customers. How important do you think money is?
5. Jerry liked to spend every Sunday with his family. How do you like to spend time with your family?

6 Imagine that you are Jerry's wife, Polly, and that you are writing to your sister to tell her your news. Write your letter, telling her about the new horse and what happened on the Sunday when Jerry took Dinah Brown to see her mother. (80-100 words)