

CHAPTER 1

Comprehension

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

1. Jim Hawkins had an ugly white scar on his face. ☐
2. Captain Flint was a guest at the 'Admiral Benbow' inn. ☐
3. Jim was not afraid of the Captain. ☐
4. Dr Livesey was wearing nice clean clothes. ☐
5. Dr Livesey threatened someone with a knife. ☐

2 Choose a, b or c to complete the following sentences.

1. The 'Admiral Benbow'
 - a. was by the sea.
 - b. made a lot of money for Mrs Hawkins.
 - c. was the name of a local town.
2. The Captain spent a lot of time
 - a. watching out for a man with one leg.
 - b. counting his silver coins.
 - c. walking along the shore.
3. Dr Livesey was
 - a. a guest at the inn.
 - b. a family friend.
 - c. Jim's father.
4. The Captain hit his hand on the table when
 - a. he wanted silence in the room.
 - b. he wanted to stop a conversation.
 - c. Dr Livesey attacked him.
5. Dr Livesey told the Captain to
 - a. give the knife to him.
 - b. stop talking.
 - c. put away the knife.

Vocabulary

3 Complete the sentences using the words in the box.

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1. Mark has different types of trainers in _____ colours.
2. The _____ in Bishopston are very pleasant neighbours.
3. The hotel has a swimming pool for its _____.
4. When I was at school, I _____ went to parties.
5. Unfortunately, my aunt's husband has died and she is a _____.
6. His _____ for stealing a car was one year in prison.
7. As we were walking to the park, it _____ began to rain.

4 Find words in Chapter 1 to match the definitions below.
The first letter has been given for you.

1. the land next to the sea c _____ (page 4)
2. round shaped metal used as money c _____ (page 4)
3. when there isn't any noise s _____ (page 6)
4. a type of judge m _____ (page 6)
5. to keep doing something c _____ (page 6)

Follow-up activities

5 Discuss.

1. Why do you think the Captain chose to stay at the 'Admiral Benbow' inn?
2. Is an inn a suitable place for a child to grow up? Why? / Why not?
3. Jim notices a big difference between the Captain's and Dr Livesey's appearance. Do you think it is right to judge people by their appearance? Why? / Why not?
4. Why do you think the Captain is so afraid of the one-legged sailor?

6 Imagine you are Jim keeping a diary. Write a page in your diary after the Captain's arrival at the 'Admiral Benbow'.
(60-80 words)