

CHAPTER 7

Comprehension

1 Correct the following statements.

1. Jerry was not kind to Black Beauty and Captain.

2. Seedy Sam rented his horse from Grant.

3. Ginger had not changed since Black Beauty last saw her.

4. Jerry put a rug on himself to keep warm.

5. When Harry went to the stables to feed the horses he couldn't stop talking.

6. Dolly told Harry that he was going to school in the country.

2 Choose a, b or c.

1. Black Beauty worked better when _____.
 - a. he had enough food and sleep
 - b. he was covered with a rug
 - c. Captain was working with him
2. Seedy Sam needed to earn eighteen shillings a day _____.
 - a. to pay the rent for the cab and horse
 - b. to feed his family
 - c. to pay the rent and feed his family
3. Why was Ginger so unhappy?
 - a. Her owners wanted to sell her
 - b. Her owners did not treat her well
 - c. Her owners did not have enough money to look after her
4. How did Black Beauty feel when he saw the dead horse?
 - a. He was glad that she was not suffering anymore
 - b. He was sad that he did not say goodbye
 - c. He was angry that she died in pain
5. Why did the family have to sell Black Beauty?
 - a. Because Jerry was ill
 - b. Because Jerry's wife was going to work for her old mistress
 - c. Because Jerry was going to change jobs

Vocabulary

3 Complete the sentences with expressions in the box.

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1. John, you have to find a job. You have to _____.
2. I went to bed early, so I didn't see _____ the film.
3. Peter had a bad accident and is in hospital, but he's _____ now.
4. I knew that without a map I would get lost - _____; I'm standing here and there's no one to ask for directions.
5. Is Anna all right? Her eyes are closed and her head is _____.

4 Complete the sentences with words from Chapter 7. The first letter has been given.

1. How much did you p _____ for your new bike?
2. Martin, what a nice s _____ to see you!
3. Did you r _____ my email?
4. I had a long c _____ with Alan about his new job.
5. Look at the time! It's nearly m _____. We must go to bed.
6. It's wrong to m _____ animals.
7. Don't walk so fast! We have p _____ of time to catch the bus.
8. Your hands are d _____. Go and wash them.

Follow-up activities

5 Discuss.

1. People work so that they can have some money. What other reasons do people have for working?
2. 'A cab driver's job wasn't easy...' Which jobs do you think are easy, and which are hard? Why?
3. 'Jerry knocked on the door and a servant told him to wait some more.' What do you think life was like for a servant in those days?
4. 'It's the perfect job for father, Harry!' says Dolly. What do you think is the perfect job for you, and why?
5. Dolly and Harry are going to move to the country. Which do you prefer, life in the city or life in the country? Why?

6 Imagine that you are either Dolly or Harry. Write a letter to one of your friends back in the city, telling them about your new life in the country. (80-100 words)