

ACTIVITIES

After Reading

1 Who is who in this story? Choose a name to complete the first parts of the sentences. Then match the two parts of sentences together, and choose the best linking word.

*Bishop of Digne / Cosette / Fantine / Gavroche / Javert /
Jean Valjean / Marius / Monsieur Madeleine / Thénardiers*

First parts of sentences

- 1) _____ hated all criminals,...
- 2) _____ wanted to marry Cosette very much,...
- 3) _____ had a factory in Montreuil,...
- 4) The _____ often helped poor, hungry people,...
- 5) _____ never knew her mother...
- 6) _____ wanted to take care of Fantine's daughter,...
- 7) The _____ were not kind to little Cosette,...
- 8) _____ was a child, only eleven or twelve years old,...
- 9) _____ cut off her hair and sold it...

Second parts of sentences

- 10) *so / because* she lived with the Thénardier family.

- 11) *when / before* a soldier shot him and killed him.
12) *but / so* he went to his grandfather and asked for money.
13) *and / but* he gave Valjean dinner and a bed for the night.
14) *but / and* he wanted to put Valjean in prison again.
15) *and / but* they asked Fantine for more money all the time.
16) *because / but* she wanted her daughter to have a warm dress for winter.
17) *because / so* he took her away from the Thénardiens.
18) *so / but* people in that town knew nothing about him.

2 Here are three people from the story talking or writing to someone. Complete the passages with words from this list (one word for each gap). Then say who is speaking or writing, and to whom.

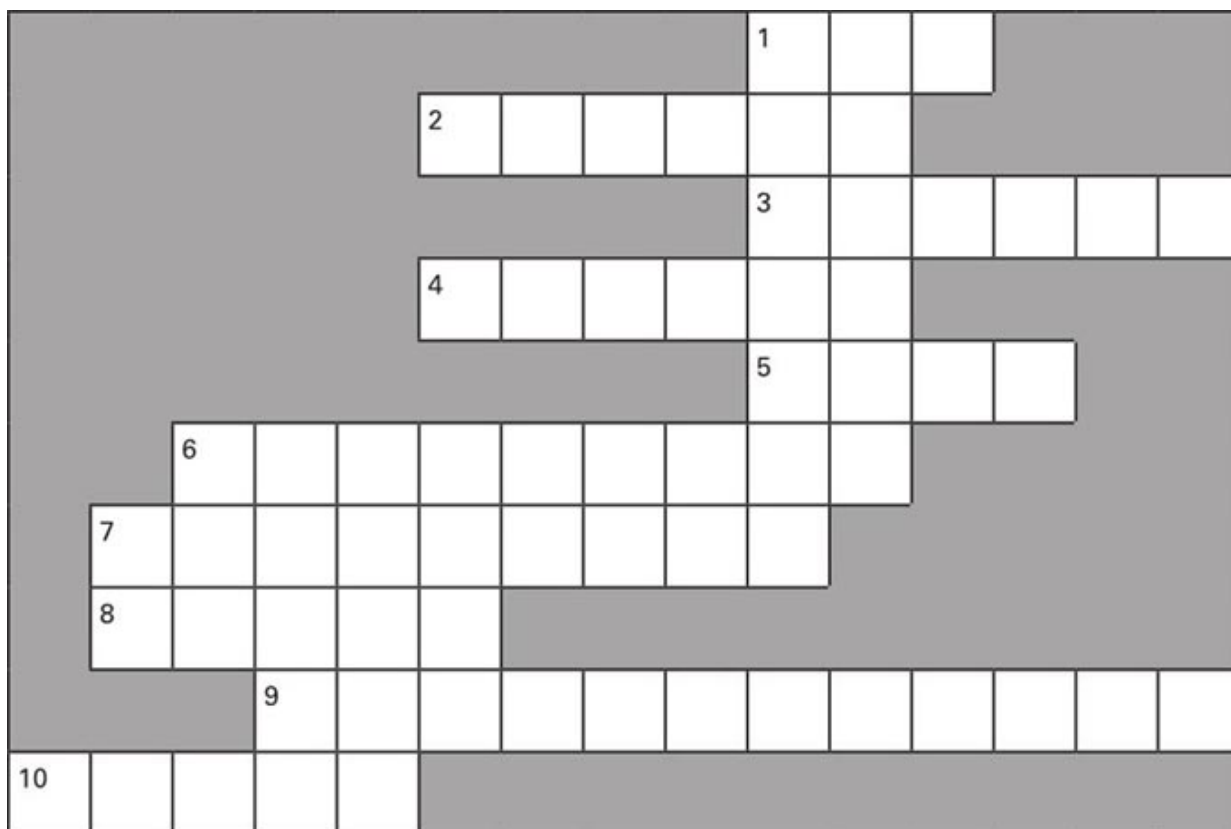
asking, cold, daughter, dress, family, five, francs, girl, grandfather, hands, know, letter, marry, No, nothing, took, warm

1) 'Why are you here? You only come to see your poor old _____ when you want something. And now you're _____ for money because you want to _____ someone. Who is this _____? Who's in her _____? You know _____ about her. Well, young man, the answer is "_____!"'

2) 'I don't want my _____ to be _____ in the winter, so I am sending you ten _____. Please buy Cosette a new _____ with this money – something nice and _____.'

3) 'Yes, I _____ the letter to number seven. No, I didn't put it into her _____, I gave it to a man. No, I don't _____ his name, but he knew all about it. He said, "ah, that's the _____ for Cosette." He was all right – he gave me _____ francs. That's a lot of money!'

3 Complete this crossword with words from the story, using the clues below to help you.



- 1) Gavroche told Marius that Javert was a police _____.
- 2) A _____ cut off Fantine's hair and paid her ten francs.
- 3) The bishop's candlesticks were made of _____.
- 4) Jean Valjean stole some _____ from the bishop.
- 5) Marius fell in _____ with Cosette.
- 6) A _____ is when people fight against the government of a country.
- 7) The students built a _____ in the street.
- 8) The Thénardiens were very _____ to little Cosette.
- 9) The bishop gave the two _____ to Jean Valjean.
- 10) Javert knew Jean Valjean because he was a _____ at the prison in Toulon when Valjean was there.

**4 There are two hidden words in the crossword above. What are they?
Use them to make a sentence about Jean Valjean.**

5 Here is the conversation between Marius and Cosette when Marius first opens his eyes in his grandfather's house. Put their conversation in the right order, and write in the speakers' names. Cosette speaks first (number 3).

1) _____ 'He doesn't hate you. He loves you very much. He likes me too! and he wants me to be his granddaughter!'

2) _____ 'That's the best news of my life! Kiss me, Cosette!'

3) Cosette 'Oh, Marius! How are you feeling, my dearest?'

4) _____ 'Granddaughter? You mean – we can get married?'

5) _____ 'You're in your grandfather's house.'

6) _____ 'I'm... I'm all right, I think. But where am i?'

7) _____ 'Of course not! You can have a kiss when you're better – and not before!'

8) _____ 'my grandfather! Why? How? He hates me!'

9) _____ 'Yes, Marius, we can. Isn't that wonderful?'

6 What did you think about the people in this story? Choose some names, and finish the sentences in your own words.

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/ Marius / Monsieur Madeleine / the Thénardiens*

1) I felt sorry for _____ because _____.

2) I liked _____ because _____.

3) I was angry with _____ when _____.

4) _____ was right to _____.

5) _____ was wrong to _____.