Jane Eyre

The story step by step

1 Before you listen to the CD/download, can you guess the missing words in these sentences? The sentences give you information about when Jane was a child.

   At the beginning of the story, Jane lives with her _______ and cousins. Her uncle has died.
   At school, Jane has to wash her face with _______ water.
   Jane has to stand on a _____ for two hours as punishment.
   Mr Brocklehurst didn't buy warm ______ or good ______ for the girls in the school.
   Many of the girls at the school became sick and some ________.
   Then the school moved to a better, healthier __________.
   The new school had new _______ rooms, new _______ rooms and a new _______-room.
   Jane Eyre was _______ at the new school, and after six years as a pupil, she became a ________ there.

   Now listen to Chapters 1 and 2. Were your answers correct?

2 Are these sentences true (T) or false (F)? Listen to the CD/download of chapters 3 and 4.

   1   Jane Eyre starts work as a governess when she is 21 years old.   
   2   Thornfield Hall is about seventeen miles from Lowood School.   
   3   Mrs Fairfax looks after Mr Rochester's home because he is often away.   
   4   Jane meets Adèle in the schoolroom.   
   5   Adèle is an ugly child.   
   6   Jane speaks English and French   
   7   Mr Rochester hurts his foot when he falls off his white horse.   
   8   Jane meets Mr Rochester after she has posted a letter in the village.   
   9   The second time Jane meets Mr Rochester, he has his right foot on a big chair.   
   10  Mr Rochester tells Jane that she is very young.   
   11  Jane tells Mr Rochester that he is handsome.

   Now listen to Chapters 3 and 4 again to check your answers.

3 Listen carefully to the description of Mr Rochester in Chapter 4. Can you draw him? Do not look at the pictures in the book.

   Is he a typical, romantic figure? Why? Why not?

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Macmillan Readers

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Chapter 5 is called ‘Fire!’

IF YOU HAVE NOT READ THE BOOK: What do you think is going to happen? Write down your ideas.

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Listen to the first part of Chapter 5 until Jane says ‘I did not see Mr Rochester the next day’. Were you correct? Write what happened. What did Jane do? What did Mr Rochester say?

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Listen again to check.

IF YOU HAVE ALREADY READ THE BOOK:
Can you remember how Jane discovered the fire? What did she do? What did she and Mr Rochester talk about after the fire? Write down as many details as you can remember.

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Listen to the first part of Chapter 5 until Jane says ‘I did not see Mr Rochester the next day’. Were you correct? Add the details that you had forgotten and listen again to check.

5  Read these sentences and listen to Chapter 6. There is one mistake in each sentence. Write the correct word at the end of each one.

Mr Rochester was riding his big white horse. __________
One of the ladies was tall, fair and very beautiful. __________
Adèle learns her lessons at school. __________
Mr Rochester had a loud voice. __________
You are tired. And you are sad, too. __________
Mr Mason has come from the East Indies. __________
Bring me a glass of water, please. __________
I heard Mr Rochester coming down the stairs. __________

Listen to Chapter 6 again if you need to check your answers.
6 Now you have listened to Chapters 1–6. Can you match the people/events and the places? Listen to the chapters on the CD/download again if you need to, then listen to check.

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7 Listen to the beginning of Chapter 7 (up to ‘The servant drove the carriage away’) and put these events in the correct order:

- There was a loud cry.
- Mr Rochester told his guests to go back to bed.
- Jane woke up.
- Mr Rochester knocked on Jane’s door.
- Mr Rochester went to fetch a doctor.
- Somebody laughed.
- Jane washed Mr Mason’s arm.
- Somebody was shouting for help.
- Somebody bit Mr Mason’s arm.
- The doctor and Mr Mason went away in the carriage.

Listen again and check your answers.

8 There are two letters in Chapter 7. Complete them using personal pronouns or possessive adjectives.

Dear Jane Eyre,

___ brother, John, is dead. ___ mother is very ill. ___ wants to speak to ____. Please come quickly, Jane.

_____ cousin

Eliza Reed

Dear Madam,

___ am Jane Eyre’s uncle. ___ am a very rich man. ___ have no children. One day, Jane will have all ___ money. Tell ___ about ___. ___ must write to ____.

John Eyre

Now listen again and check your answers.
9 What comes next? Listen to Chapters 8 and 9 and write how these conversations continue.

a  ‘I will always remember you, Jane,’ Mr Rochester said. ‘Will you forget me?’
‘No, sir,’ I replied. ‘____________. I don’t want to leave Thornfield, sir.’

b  Mr Rochester: ‘She is rich. She is beautiful. You are poor. You are not beautiful.
But __________! __________, Jane?’

c  ‘What is wrong, Jane?’ he asked. ‘Your face is pale. Are you frightened?’
‘_______________,’ I replied. ‘It was a dream about this house ...’

d  ‘This happened in your dream, Jane,’ Mr Rochester said.
‘_______________, Edward. This morning, my wedding veil was on the floor of my room.’

e  Mr Rochester: ‘I wanted to marry this young girl, Jane Eyre. Was I wrong?’
He was silent for a few moments. Then he spoke quietly. ‘________’ he said. ‘______’. But I was wrong. Now, go, all of you.’

f  Mr Rochester: ‘We will go to another country. We will be happy again.’
Jane: ‘I __________. I ______,’ I said. ‘I must leave you, Edward.’

g  ‘Please stay with me, Jane.’
‘No, Edward,’ I said. ‘_________. We_______ . But we must not be together.’

h  ‘You must give me more money now,’ the driver said.
‘____________’ I said.

Now listen to Chapters 8 and 9 on the CD/download and check your answers.
Listen to Chapters 9, 10, and 11 to check who is who.

11 Listen to Chapter 10. How many regular verbs in the simple past form do you hear? Which have an -ed ending which is pronounced /Id/ like an extra syllable? Write them here.

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12 This is the end of the story, but without the verbs. Can you guess the verbs?

Mr Rochester and I ___ married. After a time, his eyes ____ better. He ____ see a little. He ____ the face of our first child! My dear Edward and I ____ very happy.

Now listen to the end of Chapter 11 to check your answers.