The Picture of Dorian Gray
Oscar Wilde

A Before Reading

1 Match the pictures with the words.

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a) He pushed the knife into Basil's neck. Basil's head hit the table.
b) Dorian went straight to the portrait. He quickly pulled away the cloth.
c) In the light of the street lamp, James Vane saw the face of a beautiful young man.
d) Dorian watched while two servants carried the painting up to the attic room.
e) Suddenly Dorian ran across the room and pulled the knife from Basil's hand.
f) Soon they pulled the body of a man out of the trees. Dorian watched in horror.
2 Read to the end of Chapter 2. Write these descriptions in the correct boxes.

black hair strong, intelligent face pale skin long white hands
blond hair about thirty years old about twenty years old beautiful
slow voice thin face bright blue eyes

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3 How evil is Dorian Gray? How good is Dorian Gray? Make a graph. Fill in the graph after you read each chapter.
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4. The Picture of Dorian Gray is going to be on television. You must write the details about the television programme in a magazine. Look at the example below, then write about The Picture of Dorian Gray.

7.45
**Oh! It's a Mushroom**

A black comedy, starring **John Parsnip**, **Cheryl Upton** and **Anthony Carpenter**.
Lost one day, in a busy south-east market town, Johnny finds truth, happiness and peace in a second hand clothes shop.
But will it last? And how does Nora know all the answers?
Johnny Beer ............... Anthony Carpenter
Nora ............................. Cheryl Upton
Gary Soapy .................... John Parsnip
Elvis ............................. Oscar Pastby
Man with sausage ........... Brian Macintosh
Hippy ............................. Alice Dole
Mickey the Milkman .......... Jim Cale

10.45
**The Picture of Dorian Gray**

5. You are the director who made the film of The Picture of Dorian Gray for television. Which actors are in the film? Why did you choose the actors to play these parts?

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6. Dorian Gray wishes that the portrait could grow old instead of him. His wish comes true. Do you know any other stories about people who never grow old?

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