Answer Key

1  1 Mary went to live with a family called the Crawfords, in India.
  2 Mary was not like her mother. Mary’s mother had been pretty and delightful.
  3 Mrs Medlock was not a very patient woman.
  4 Most of the rooms in the house were shut up and locked.
  5 Mary tried to look as if she wasn’t interested, but she had begun to listen.
  6 People said that Mrs Craven had married for money, but it wasn’t true.
  7 Mary felt gloomy because it has started to rain.
  8 Mrs Medlock took the bags; Mary didn’t help because she wasn’t used to helping.
  9 The wind made a strange, low sound.
 10 Heather and gorse grew on the moor.
 11 There were no rabbits on the moor, only ponies and sheep.
 12 The walls were low-built, not high.
 13 Mary felt small and lost, not lonely.

2   gloomy, huge, endless, red-cheeked, cheerful-looking, strong-looking, proud, amazed, frightened, relieved, fresh, kind, full, warm, bare, locked, bright, cheeky, friendliest, horrible

3   wind/windy – 7, moor – 7, ivy – 7, robin – 11, treetop – 3, orchard – 3, branch – 3, spring(time) – 2, earth – 5, gorse – 1, heather – 2, fox cub – 1, crow – 1, crocuses – 1, snowdrops – 1, daffodils – 1

4   1 I’d helped
  2 had finished
  3 had stepped
  4 had been covered
  5 had been closed
  6 had run
  7 had grown
  8 had ever seen
  9 had flown
 10 had found
 11 had once been
 12 had said...
 13 had finished
 14 had been working
 15 had felt
 16 had given
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6  
told her  
shouldn’t, will be  
went, was, had died  
have put, He’s sitting (up)  
Come, I’ve been thinking  
had gone, saw, was staring  
is (always) talking, He’s (always) looking (up), flying  
thought, met, saw, wouldn’t think  
was pouring (in), jumped (out), ran  
were watching, was working  
got (up), moved, flew, sat  
have (you) been, was working  
am going, turn (into), shall die  
promise, will tell  
looked (up), had fallen

7  
1 …a beautiful, little writing box case.  
2 She ate her breakfast happily quickly…  
3 ‘…It is behind under the ivy on the wall.’  
4 Mary thought for a couple of moments minutes…  
5 ‘You will start to get healthier fatter just like me,’ she said.  
6 He was holding a newborn lamb in his hands arms…  
7 Two squirrels were looking out of his jacket pockets…  
8 He was so shy curious and so excited that he forgot to speak.  
9 ‘But I fed it some warm milk, and it lay down near next to the fire…  
10 They also talked about the roses flowers that were growing in the secret garden.

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8 1 may, must, will, will, can
   2 shall, shall, shall
   3 shall, you’ll
   4 must, mustn’t, will, she’ll, will
   5 shall, must, must, We’ll

9 The poppies Dickon and Mary had planted grew, and the roses covered the garden.
   He watched the insects and birds in the garden.
   ‘What will Dr Craven say?’
   ‘Here I am. I am quite well and I shall live to be a man.’
   He finally believed he was going to get well.
   He told her about the buried key, and the garden, and about Master Colin getting stronger.
   It’s a good thing that little girl came to the manor.
   The problem is that Master Colin and Miss Mary are always hungry now.
   Oh, they’re enjoying themselves, aren’t they!
   You are wonderful!

10 places, ten, stronger, lake, (strangely) calm, wife’s
    servant, twice, angry, alive, sick, tantrums
    autumn, laughter, faster and faster, flew
    trembling, shoulders, still
    middle, cried, wheelchair, running over