1 Jarndyce and Jarndyce.
2 It had been going on for many years. It had never done anyone any good.
3 At Bleak House.
4 Esther Summerson.
5 She was waiting for a judgement.
6 The High Court of Chancery.
7 A poor crossing-sweeper.

1 When death or disgrace were coming to the Dedlocks.
2 He was Sir Leicester Dedlock's lawyer. The case of Jarndyce and Jarndyce. Lady Dedlock was also a claimant.
3 ‘Who copied these papers?’ And, ‘Is that writing called law-hand?’ She spoke quickly when she asked the first question. When she asked the second question, she spoke in her usual careless way.
4 Mr Tulkinghorn liked to know people's secrets so that he could have power over them. The writing on the papers had made Lady Dedlock faint, so Tulkinghorn thought that she might have a secret. To find out, he needed to find the man who had copied the papers.

1 The oldest and dirtiest rag and bottle shop in London.
2 Because nothing that came into his shop ever left it again. It was like the Lord Chancellor's court, where cases were argued over for years, and no judgements were ever given.
3 When she got her judgement.
4 It is the Latin word for 'no one'.
5 Her work for Africa took all her time; she thought of nothing else.

1 The lady Jo had taken to Krook's shop and to the burial-ground had given him a gold coin. He had spent some of it. The two silver pieces were what he had left.
2 He told him about Jo.
3 To look for Jo. Mr Bucket wanted to ask him a few questions.
4 Because they knew he was a detective.
5 They had come to look for work.
6 He thought she was the lady he took to the burial-ground.
7 The 'other lady' must have been Lady Dedlock. ‘This woman’ was Hortense, the Frenchwoman.

1 The one he had taken to the burial-ground – Lady Dedlock.
2 It could kill, or it could take away a woman's beauty.
So she could not see what the illness had done to her face.

Lawyers had told Richard that John Jarndyce wanted all the money for himself.

They were all dead.

Because she saw that he was being pulled towards the Court of Chancery. She knew the signs from seeing them in her own family. She knew that people who thought of nothing but waiting for a judgement became very unhappy.

He had been shipwrecked but he was safe.

She thought that no man would ever marry her. She thought that her illness had changed her too much.

The handkerchief which Esther had left in Jenny's cot-

Because the disgrace would kill Sir Leicester.

Lady Dedlock's sister.

The sound of her footsteps made her think of the legend of the Ghost's Walk.

Lady Dedlock was the great lady. Rosa was the servant.

He would not allow his daughter to stay in the same house as a great lady who had disgraced her husband.

To frighten Lady Dedlock and to make her understand that he knew her secret.

To keep her secret.

Lady Dedlock.

‘Mademoiselle. If you visit me once more, you will be locked up. You will go to prison.’

To marry him.

That she would marry him. Because Richard said wicked things about John Jarndyce. Esther thought Allan's words had come too late.

That she could not accept his love, because she had promised to marry John Jarndyce.

It was a will. It had the name of Jarndyce on it. It could give them money.

To give advice about a little house he had found for Allan Woodcourt. ‘Bleak House’.

He had arranged that Allan would marry her. The Court of Chancery.

The money had all gone. It had all been taken by the costs of the case. It made him ill. But it made him want to begin his life again.

She heard the news of Richard's death.

They had two daughters. They were not rich but they had enough money. They loved each other, and they loved John Jarndyce, who often came to stay with them.