

# Agnes Grey

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## A Before Reading

- 1 Students' own answers. The picture shows a small open horse-drawn carriage, and that, together with the clothes that the characters are wearing, tells us that this is the nineteenth century.
- 2 a T, b F, c T, d F, e T, f F, g T, h F

## B While Reading

- 3 1 d, 2 a, 3 e, 4 b, 5 c
- 4 Possible answers.

Place	What happened there
1 Wellwood House	<i>Agnes was governess to Tom and Mary Ann.</i>
2 Horton Lodge	<i>Agnes was governess to Rosalie and Matilda.</i>
3 Horton church	<i>Agnes first sees Mr Weston (and Mr Hatfield).</i>
4 Nancy Brown's cottage	<i>Where Agnes hears about how patient, thoughtful and generous Mr Weston is.</i>
5 On the road from Horton church	<i>Where Mr Weston picks primroses for Agnes.</i>
6 Paris, Rome, Naples, Switzerland, London	<i>Where Rosalie travels after she gets married.</i>
7 Ashby Park	<i>Where Rosalie lives (and Agnes visits) after Rosalie's marriage.</i>
8 Scarborough town	<i>Where Agnes' mother opens her school.</i>
9 Scarborough beach	<i>Where Agnes meets Mr Weston (and Snap) again.</i>

- 5 Suggested answers:
- a She wasn't really right as neither of her jobs is very rewarding.
- b It seems that she was right. She certainly doesn't have the ability to control two very difficult children.
- c She is right. Mr Weston seems to be all those things, although we can't say whether it's because of his early life or not.
- d Rosalie is not going to be happy. She has chosen the wrong husband for the wrong reasons.
- e The days seemed long because Agnes is clearly falling in love with Mr Weston.
- 6 Students' own answers.