

Challenging reading and comprehension Answer key

Unit 6

Comprehension 3

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| <p>1 Oscar Wilde</p> <p>2 Glancing/Looking, loathed/hated</p> <p>3 i) beauty
ii) I think the author uses this device to show that Dorian Gray is very concerned with his appearance, and that it is the main focus of the scene. <i>(any reasonable response)</i></p> <p>4 his beauty and youth</p> <p>5 Dorian Gray feels angry/upset after looking in the mirror because he flings the mirror to the ground and smashes it. <i>(any reasonable answer)</i></p> <p>6 i) loathed
ii) mockery
iii) flung
iv) alter</p> <p>7 a new life</p> <p>8 hideous</p> <p>9 He had used it to kill the painter, so he wanted to make sure there was no blood left on it. <i>(any reasonable answer)</i></p> <p>10 the servants</p> <p>11 i) through the windows of the balcony outside the room
ii) because they could not open the door to the room</p> <p>12 C</p> <p>13 The painting: the image became very youthful and beautiful</p> | <p>Dorian Gray: he became a wrinkled old man who died with a knife in his heart</p> <p>ii) I think this happened because the painting had special powers that kept Dorian Gray looking young and beautiful. As soon as he destroyed it, the power was broken. <i>(any reasonable response)</i></p> <p>14 crash</p> <p>15 4
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5</p> <p>16 i) F
ii) T
iii) F
iv) NG</p> <p>17 i) B
ii) D
iii) A
iv) D
v) C</p> <p>18 i) B
ii) I believe this theme fits with the passage because Dorian Gray is beautiful on the outside, but is extremely ugly on the inside. He has done many evil things, such as killing the painter. In the end, he decides that being physically attractive is not</p> |
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worthwhile if he cannot be beautiful
on the inside as well. (*any reasonable
response*)

- 19 No, I wouldn't because other people
would be able to see my true nature
in the portrait./Yes, I would because I
wouldn't have to worry about getting
older. (*any reasonable answer*)