

The Scarlet Letter

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Reading Worksheet 3

Go over the questions before reading the appropriate chapter in the book. Think while you are reading so that you can answer the questions from your memory. Answer some questions orally.

Chapter 11

1. Why did Mr. Dimmesdale loathe himself? _____
2. In what ways did Mr. Dimmesdale abuse his body? Why? _____

Chapter 12

1. Where did Mr. Dimmesdale go late one night in May? _____

2. What was the result of his echoing shriek? _____

3. Who was first to pass by? _____
4. About what did Mr. Dimmesdale fantasize? How did he react to his own imagination? Who responded? _____

5. What did Pearl request of Mr. Dimmesdale? _____

6. What phenomenon occurred while the three were on the scaffold? _____

7. Who else witnessed this night-time meeting? _____



Chapter 13

1. What had the scarlet letter come to mean to many people as the years passed? _____

2. How did the clergy respond to Hester? _____

3. Explain Hester's viewpoint of womanhood. _____

Chapter 14

1. What action did Hester inform Chillingworth she planned to take? _____

2. What did Hester urge Chillingworth to do? _____

Chapter 15

1. How did Hester feel about Chillingworth after their encounter? _____

2. How had Pearl amused herself during her mother's absence? _____

3. What three questions did Pearl ask her mother? _____

4. What was Hester's answer? _____

