

(13) THE PICTURE OF DORIAN GRAY - CHAPTERS 1 - 2

ACTIVITY 1: Answer the questions about Chapter 1.

1. Why did Lord Henry say that painters are odd people?

2. Why didn't Basil want to exhibit Dorian Gray's picture?

3. Describe Basil's feelings towards Dorian.

4. What did Basil ask Lord Henry not to do?

ACTIVITY 2: Choose the correct answer.

1. Basil Hallward told Dorian that Lord Henry
 - a. was his oldest friend.
 - b. was a bad influence on everyone he knew.
 - c. was an admirer of Basil's art.
 - d. could not corrupt him.
2. Which sentence best describes Dorian's initial feelings towards Lord Henry?
 - a. He thought Lord Henry was a rather pathetic figure.
 - b. He found Lord Henry an interesting person.
 - c. He was bored with Lord Henry's conversation.
 - d. He was attracted by him but also afraid.
3. Dorian found Basil's portrait of him
 - a. a masterpiece.
 - b. a source of sadness.
 - c. excessively flattering.
 - d. a source of future wealth
4. Why did Basil want to destroy the portrait?
 - a. Because it had had a bad effect on Dorian.
 - b. Because it was a way of punishing Dorian.
 - c. Because Dorian did not like it.
 - d. Because Lord Henry had ridiculed it.
5. At the end of Chapter Two Basil realised that
 - a. he had been infatuated with Dorian.
 - b. he never wanted to see Henry or Dorian again.
 - c. he had lost Dorian.
 - d. his painting would have to be sold.