

Choose the correct answer. 6

1. Rasputin first became famous when	
a.	he was studying to be a priest.
b.	he left his wife and children.
c.	he identified a horse thief.
2. The people in the court didn't trust Rasputin because	
a.	he was very religious.
b.	he lived an unclean life.
c.	he came from Siberia.
3. When Catherine first arrived at the French court,	
a.	she got an excellent education.
b.	she made friends in the court.
c.	people didn't respect her because she wasn't a royal princess.
4. The St Bartholomew's Day Massacre was meant to	
a.	kill the Protestants.
b.	make Catherine's son king.
c.	help Catherine's Italian family.
5. While he was in prison, Sweeney	
a.	earned a lot of money.
b.	learned to be a barber.
c.	committed his first murder.
6. The clothes and jewellery of Sweeney's victims	
a.	were enough to convict him.
b.	were found in Mrs Lovett's flat.
c.	proved the police's theory about him.

Choose the correct answer. 15

When **Rasputin** was a boy, his family discovered he had special (1. advice / powers). When he was older, he (2. was sent for / sent for) by the Russian Tsarina. Rasputin helped her son (3. recover / cure) from a serious disease. During World War I, Rasputin convinced the Tsar to go and fight with his (4. army / battle). Rasputin stayed with the Tsarina and (5. used / has used) his power to take advantage of the situation in the Russian court.

Catherine de Medici became (6. an orphan / next in line) when she was a baby. Later, rebels tried to take her out of the palace (7. by force / no doubt). When she grew up, her uncle married her to Henry of Orleans, the son of King Francis I of France. Her life was very unhappy with him because she (8. couldn't / might not) convince the king to love her. After a while, Henry (9. dies / died) and Catherine's 15-year-old son became king. During his (10. ceasefire / reign) and for a long time after it, Catherine had a lot of power in France.

Sweeney Todd became (11. a witness / an apprentice) to a cutler called John Crook at a very young age. Two years later, he was (12. imprisoned / testified) for theft. When he got out of prison, he began to cut people's (13. cotton / throats) with a razor and hide the bodies in a tunnel under a church. Finally, he was caught. The jury decided he was (14. guilty / disagreeable) of one murder and Sweeney (15. was hanging / was hanged).

Complete the sentences with the words below. 15

Beliefs - lean over - disease - drowned- dismiss

- He won't eat meat because of his religious _____.
- Maria was not very good at swimming and while we were swimming in the river, she _____.
- Hemophilia is a very serious _____.
- I used my situation to _____ some of my enemies in the court.
- I came back later and _____ his body to see if he was dead.

Locked - Chased - Manners - Jewells - Supported

- She hid her valuable _____ in a cupboard in her bedroom.
- I even tried to teach them table _____ they didn't know how to use a knife and a fork.
- Sometimes, I _____ - the Catholics because I was a Catholic myself.
- On the evening before St. Bartholomew's Day, the city gates were _____.
- Protestants were murdered in their beds or _____ to the tops of houses and thrown onto the road.

Starving - Freezing to death - buckles - bribes - combs

- It was one of the coldest winters in London, and hundreds of poor people were _____.
- Prisoners pay _____ for the simple things.
- Somebody with no money is likely to find himself naked and _____ in Newgate.
- The shop was a small, dark place (...) a bench for waiting customers and for waiting customers and a shelf full of _____ scissors and, of course, razors.
- But he looked into his records and discovered that a local woman once accused Todd of stealing some silver shoe _____.

Answer the questions. 60

Rasputin

How did Rasputin first discover his special powers?

Why did the Tsar ask for Rasputin's advice?

How did Rasputin take advantage of the situation when the Tsar was fighting in the war?

What strange thing happened to Rasputin's body in the forest?

Catherine di Medici

How did the Pope help Catherine?

Why did the French people call Catherine 'Madame Serpent'?

Why did the French try to replace Catherine?

What changes took place in Catherine's lifestyle after Charles IX became king?

Sweeney Todd

What happened two years after Sweeny's arrival at John Crook's shop?

Why did Sweeney commit his first murder?

Why did Sir Richard Blunt think Todd was killing his customers?

What part did Margery Lovett play in the murders?

Write a paragraph. Your paragraph should be maximum 40 words long. 4

1. Which of the three villains do you think is the worst? Explain your answer.