

The Picture of Dorian Gray is a _____ by Irish writer _____.

The story revolves around a _____ of _____ painted by Basil Hallward, a friend of Dorian's and an artist infatuated with Dorian's _____. Through Basil, Dorian meets Lord Henry Wotton and is soon enthralled by the aristocrat's _____ worldview: that beauty and sensual fulfillment are the only things worth pursuing in life. Newly understanding that his beauty will fade, Dorian expresses the desire to _____, to ensure that the picture, rather than he, will age and fade. The wish is granted, and Dorian pursues a _____ life of varied _____ experiences while staying young and beautiful; all the while, his portrait ages and visually records every one of Dorian's _____.

Wilde's only novel, it was subject to much controversy and criticism in its time but has come to be recognized as a classic of _____.