

Love or Money – Rowena Akinyemi

Chapter 7

Choose the correct option from possibilities a) - d) below each part of the text.

Write the letters a, b, c or d in the gaps.

On Monday morning, Sergeant Foster went to Roger's office and asked 1. ___ questions. Then he went to Albert's house and asked some more questions. Inspector Walsh made some phone calls about Peter Hobbs and about Tom Briggs. At three o'clock the detectives drove to Clarkson's house.

Everyone came into the sitting room and sat down. The Inspector looked at them, one by one. "Someone killed Molly Clarkson. 2. ___ wanted to tell me the whole story, but I know it now and I am going to tell you."

The Inspector looked at Albert. "Mr. King, your wife is very ill and needs a nurse. It's expensive. You haven't told us you are 3. ___ your house because you need money."

Albert was angry. "Last year I asked Molly's husband for some money, and he said yes. But then he died in an accident."

"Accident!" Diane cried. "That was no accident. Mother killed Daddy because she wanted his money!"

"Let's talk about you now, Diane," said Inspector Walsh. "You visited your mother every month and you took money from her – for a television, for a telephone, for a new dress... Every time you told her 'It was no accident, you killed Daddy.' Your mother was 4. ___ of you, but in the end she wanted to stop you. On Thursday, she told Dr Pratt 'I am giving no more money to Diane.' You brought her hot milk on Saturday – what did she tell you?"

Diane began to cry. "That's true! I loved Daddy, he was always nice to me! Mother told me – no more money. I wanted to kill her, but I didn't!"

Inspector Walsh looked at Roger. "Mr Clarkson also needed money. You lost your job last month. You have no money, but you like expensive things." Roger's face went red. He put his 5. ___ over his eyes. "But it doesn't matter now, Roger," Diane said. "Mother is dead and we have a lot of money. You don't need a job!" Roger looked at her and said: "Shut up!"

1. a) any	b) some	c) a	d) a little
2. a) Everything	b) Nowhere	c) Nobody	d) Every time
3. a) buying	b) selling	d) building	d) decorating
4. a) afraid	b) nervous	c) angry	d) happy
5. a) foot	b) shoulder	c) hand	d) knee

"Now," Inspector Walsh began again. "Peter Hobbs is a very 6. ___ young man. Mrs Clarkson was not very nice to him. He got the sleeping tablets from the shop. But did he put the tablets in the hot milk? I don't think so. Tom Briggs wanted half the garden for his farm. But did he kill Mrs Clarkson? I think he didn't."

Everybody 7. ___ listening quietly. "But someone wanted Peter Hobbs to come into the kitchen that night. She wanted everybody to see him and listen to him."

"She ...? I don't understand," Roger began and stopped.

Inspector Walsh went on. "I'm going to tell you the 8. ___ story now. Miss Clarkson, you wanted Peter to come to the house. You wanted everybody to hear him saying 'I want to kill her!' Why?"

Jackie's face went white. "It's not true! What about Diane? You found the empty bottle in her bag!" Diane stood up. "In my bag? What 9. ___ about?"

Inspector Walsh looked at Jackie: "It's true. But how do you know that? We told you we 10. ___ the bottle in Diane's *room*, not in her *bag*. Sergeant Foster wrote it all down."

Jackie put her hands to her head. "No! No!"

"A long time ago, you knew Tom Briggs. He was the gardener here and you two were 11. ___. We saw your picture in his house. Last year he came back. He still loved you. He wanted garden for his farm, he wanted money, he wanted you. But your mother said no again and you killed her. You put the sleeping tablets in her milk when she went down 12. ___ the dogs."

Jackie stood up. "You don't understand! Mother gave me nothing ... all those years. I just wanted to be happy ... to be with Tom. But Mother said no. Always no." Then she began to cry. Nobody looked at her.

"Well," Sergeant Foster told to Inspector Walsh later. "Now they have the money – Diane, Roger, Albert. They are all rich now. But 13. ___ be happy now?"

THE END

6. a) happy	b) handsome	c) witty	d) angry
7. a) were	b) did	d) had	d) was
8. a) new	b) true	c) wrong	d) old
9. a) you are talk	b) do you talk	c) talking you	d) are you talking
10. a) had found	b) found	c) finded	d) founded
11. a) at love	b) for love	c) by love	d) in love
12. a) feeding	b) to feeding	c) to feed	d) for feed
13. a) will they to	b) going they to	c) will they go to	d) are they going to