

Literature Ex. – Oliver Twist (Ch. 1-5)

While reading **Oliver Twist's chapters 1-5 by Charles Dickens** (version Classic Starts from Sterling Children's Books), complete the activities proposed below.

Chapter 1 – Oliver Twist

Answer the following questions.

1. Where was Oliver born? _____
2. Who were in the room when Oliver's mother delivered him? _____
3. Did Oliver's mother know she was going to die? _____
4. How was the life for an orphan inside the workhouse?

5. What was Mr. Bumble's job? _____
6. How many orphans were born after Oliver? _____

Chapter 2 – Life in a Workhouse

Choose the right name (Dick, Oliver, Mrs. Bumble, Mr. Bumble) to complete each sentence.

1. _____ was certainly worried about money.
2. _____ was very weak and often sick.
3. _____ lost the contest against the other boys.
4. _____ asked for more food.
5. _____ thought it was a bad idea to challenge the authority.
6. _____ could not believe Oliver's insolence.
7. _____ was locked in a tiny room.

Chapter 3 – A new Home

Decide if the following statements are TRUE (T), FALSE (F), or NOT GIVEN (NG).

1. Mr. Bumble took Oliver to talk to the board members. _____
2. Oliver was seen as a trouble kid who had to leave the workhouse. _____

Authored by Andrés Barón-Ávila
MA Education and Technology – UCL – IOE



3. Mr. Sowerberry wanted to adopt Oliver as his own child. _____
4. The man in the white vest disliked children. _____
5. Oliver felt excited about leaving the workhouse after 10 years. _____
6. Mr. Sowerberry had a surprise for Oliver. _____

Chapter 4 – A Bit of Meat

Match the statements in each column correctly.

1. Mr. Sowerberry looked like	a. since he missed her terribly.
2. Oliver was full of joy thanks to	b. since she pulled his arm often.
3. Mrs. Sowerberry offered Oliver	c. she did not like Oliver.
4. Mrs. Sowerberry seemed to mistreat Oliver	d. the supper offered at Mrs. Sowerberry's.
5. Oliver used to dream about his mother	e. a 'scary' place to sleep.

Chapter 5 – Noah

Complete the following statements using ONLY ONE WORD.

1. An _____ young man called Noah Claypole was looking for trouble.
2. Charlotte cooked some _____ for both boys after Mrs. Sowerberry called them.
3. Noah, the bully, worked with Mr. Sowerberry as his _____.
4. Oliver used to sleep in a room with _____.
5. “_____” was the name Noah called Oliver.
6. The first time Oliver felt _____ was when Noah teased him about his mother.