

# THE STRANGE CASE OF DR JEKYLL AND MR HYDE

## ROBERT LOUIS STEVENSON

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YOUNG ADULT READERS

### ACTIVITY

**Past simple vs Past Continuous. You are an police inspector who wants to ask Mr Enfield some questions. Use the verbs to complete the sentences.**

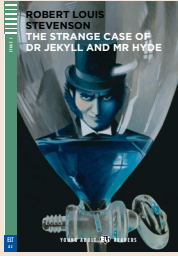
Everyone 1 \_\_\_\_\_ (to talk) about Hyde's past.

There 2 \_\_\_\_\_ (to be) hundreds of stories in the newspapers about him and about his horrible life.

He 3 \_\_\_\_\_ (to be) an evil animal, and his friends were evil animals, too. Everyone 4 \_\_\_\_\_ (to hate) him, but no-one 5 \_\_\_\_\_ (to know) where he was.

Where was Mr Hyde?

Mr Utterson 6 \_\_\_\_\_ (to begin) to feel a little better. Yes, Sir Danvers was dead, but perhaps Hyde was also dead. My Jekyll was much happier with Hyde.



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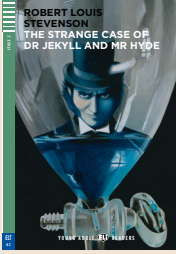
### TEST YOURSELF

Read these sentences about the end of the story and decide if they are true or false.

- |   | T                        | F                        |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1 Poole is worried because he hasn't seen Dr Jekyll for several days.                   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2 When Poole and Utterson got to Jekyll's house, the servants were pleased to see them. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3 Utterson and Poole heard Hyde's voice in the laboratory.                              | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4 They broke down the door and saw a dead man on the floor.                             | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 5 They thought Jekyll was dead and tried to find his body.                              | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 6 Utterson took some documents to the police to read.                                   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7 Mr Hyde went to visit Jekyll to get some chemicals.                                   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 8 Lanyon told Hyde not to drink the liquid in the test tube.                            | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

ANSWERS: 1 T; 2 F (scared); 3 T; 4 F (he was dying); 5 T; 6 F (he took them home); 7 F (Lanyon); 8 F (he told him to drink it).

ANSWERS:



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### Key (KET) – Writing

Look at the information in the box, then complete and answer the questions.

Police Notice

London police are looking for a short man, who often wears clothes that are too big for him. He has large, dark hands. This man is dangerous. Do not speak to him or go near him. If you see him, go immediately and find a policeman. We believe this man is a murderer.

1 what / the man / look like

Q \_\_\_\_\_

A \_\_\_\_\_

2 what / know about / the man

Q \_\_\_\_\_

A \_\_\_\_\_

3 what / do / see / him

Q \_\_\_\_\_

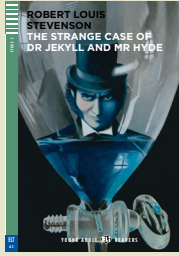
A \_\_\_\_\_

4 what / police / believe

Q \_\_\_\_\_

A \_\_\_\_\_

1 What does the man look like? He is short, with large, dark hands, and he often wears clothes that are too big for him. 2 What do we/the police know about the man? He is dangerous. 3 What should you do if you see him? Do not speak to him or go near him. Go and find a policeman. 4 What do (the) police believe? That the man is a murderer.



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FOCUS ON...

### THE DUALITY OF HUMAN NATURE



In Chapter 10 of the novel *The Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde* by Stevenson, Jekyll writes clearly about the dual nature of human beings. He says that, as a young, educated man from a respectable family, he always has an appearance of good behaviour. However, he says this was a fraud - no one suspected his true nature, which was occasionally greatly immoral. The Doctor's experiments began with the purpose to divide the two sides of human nature and destroy the evil one. However, he discovered that the evil part of his nature was part of himself, and so, in some sense, natural and part of the whole.