

Worksheet answer key

BEFORE READING

1. The picture shows a smashed lamp in a room with an open window and dramatic lighting; it gives the idea of mystery and violence.
2. A murder mystery.
3. The story happens on two days and moves backwards and forwards in time between the two days.
4. group **a** police: Frank Williams / Kate Miller / Jenkins; **b** doctors: Janet Leighton / Barbara Collins; **c** family: Janet/Simon/Chris Leighton; **d** lawyers: Elizabeth Morgan
5. Simon Leighton lives in Bridge Street; Janet Leighton lives in St John Street; Barbara Collins lives in Frenchay Road; Elizabeth Morgan works at Morgan and Freebody's in Worcester Street; Kate Miller and Frank Williams work at the police station in St Aldate's.
6. The Ashmolean Museum and the Railway Station.

CHAPTER 1

1. At 6.30 am on Friday 26 July.
2. At 17B St John Street; because Janet Leighton is dead.
3. Her bag is on the floor; the lamp is broken; a window is broken; there are papers on the floor; there is a statue (a Chinese dog) on the floor; an open book is on the floor.
4. There is no computer in the room.

5. The book is called *Our Beautiful World*. The receipt shows the date of the day before. The letter is about Janet Leighton's will – a will tells us who gets someone's property when they die.
- 6 To visit Dr Barbara Collins.

CHAPTER 2

1. At 9.30 am on Thursday 25 July.
2. True: **a/c/d**
3. **a** She says there is not enough money.
b She thinks Janet Leighton doesn't like her because she is famous.
4. She hates her.
5. Student's own answer.

CHAPTER 3

1. Her husband and son.
2. They don't live together.
3. To visit Elizabeth Morgan, the lawyer.

CHAPTER 4

1. At 11 am on Thursday 25 July.
2. 1 **b**, 2 **d**, 3 **e**, 4 **a**, 5 **c**
3. It tells us that she doesn't like them.

CHAPTER 5

1. It's a large office. From the windows there is a view over the old buildings of Oxford. At the other end of the room there are dark bookshelves full of books.
2. The railway station.
3. No – she says 'Number 117, I think.'

4. **a** Janet Leighton's and Simon Leighton's, another person's (possibly the shop assistant's); **b** nobody's
5. Because Janet Leighton bought the book on Thursday 25 July, so Simon Leighton was in her house after Janet Leighton bought it.

CHAPTER 10

1. 10.30 pm on Thursday 25 July.
2. Because Simon was there at 6.30 that evening.
3. The money or the house.
4. That Janet has money for books but no money for him.
5. With a knife he finds on the table.
6. He makes a mess in the room and takes the computer to make it look as if someone got in to take money and things.
7. Because it's worth a lot of money.

4. False. He has a room in a house in Woodstock Road.

CHAPTER 6

1. At 6.30 pm on Thursday 25 July.
2. At Janet Leighton's house.
3. He wants some money or the house.
4. She says the money is all in the clinic. No, she just doesn't want him to have any money.
5. He's going to go to his lawyer.
6. Very angry.
7. Student's own answer.

CHAPTER 7

1. In Woodstock Road outside his house.
2. Because he looks like his father.

CHAPTER 8

1. At 8.30 pm on Thursday 25 July.
2. True: **a/d/e/f**
3. Very angry.
4. Student's own answer.

CHAPTER 9

1. In Inspector Williams' room at St Aldate's police station.
2. Jenkins, the police scientist.
3. That it's worth £100,000. Student's own answer.

CHAPTER 11

1. Simon and Chris Leighton, Barbara Collins, Inspector Williams, Sergeant Miller.
2. Open
3. Because his fingerprints are on *Our Beautiful World* and Janet bought it the day before.
4. Simon is happy; Chris is sorry but not sad; Dr Collins isn't sad.
5. He means that if someone dies and people feel happy, and sorry but not sad, the world isn't really very beautiful.

After reading

1–8: Student's own answers.