



The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn

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While reading

Chapters 1–2

1 Match the name and the description.

The teacher Widow Douglas Tom Pap
Judge Thatcher Huck Jim

- a made Huck her son and dressed him in nice clothes.
- b heard a noise and went out into the backyard to look.
- c had a secret hiding place and started a gang.
- d kept Tom and Huck's money safe for them.
- e hit Huck for not going to school.
- f had a shoe with a small cross on the left foot.
- g liked sleeping in a bed, but sometimes slept in the woods.

2 Put the underlined letters in the right place to make a word.

- a When the Widow saw Huck come home again, she cried with piesnshpa
- b Tom had a secret gdinhi place.
- c Tom said that robbers sraonm people.
- d Huck saw some posnfitro in the snow in front of the house.
- e Huck's father always cedolk the door to the cabin.
- f Huck loves ihngnut and fishing.

Chapters 3–5

3 Underline the wrong word and put the right one.

- a Huck swam for about five miles and then he was tired.
- b They were shooting a gun from a steamboat into the sky.
- c Jim said that he never hurt a pig.
- d It's legal for a slave to run away.
- e They found a house at the top of a big hill.
- f The man on the floor of the house in the river was asleep.

4 Answer the questions.

- a What did Huck make on the island to sleep in?
.....
- b What was Jim doing when Huck found him?
.....
- c When did Jim leave the Widow's house?
.....
- d Why does Jim think he is going to be rich one day?
.....
- e Why did Jim lay under a bed sheet in the canoe?
.....
- f What did Huck practice doing like a girl?
.....

Chapters 6–7

5 Match the name with what they probably thought or said.

Huck Man on the small boat Jim

Widow Douglas Man on the steamboat

- a "When your father says borrow, he means steal."
- b "I like chicken but I don't like apples."
- c "I don't want to paddle to the steamboat. It's probably dangerous."
- d "I don't want to die. I promise I won't tell anybody."
- e "Don't worry little boy. I'll help your family."

6 Find words in Chapters 6–7.

- a a place you can sleep outside (p. 24)
.....
- b to go under the water to the bottom of the river or sea (p. 26)
- c people from the same country often speak the same one (p. 29)
- d clever (p. 30)
- e when you can see a very bright light, it is doing this (p. 30)
- f thinking about stories when you are asleep (p. 32)
- g the material we get from a tree (p. 34)
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Chapters 8–10

7 Match words from Chapters 8–10 with their opposites.

wide	well
entrance	loudly
honest	narrow
sick	upstairs
dead	exit
carefully	take
bring	dishonest
downstairs	alive
quietly	carelessly

8 Finish the sentences.

- a The king wanted Huck and Jim to go down on one knee and.....
- b The duke wrote "\$200 REWARD" on
- c The king put up a tent and inside the tent he
- d On the third night of the play, everybody from the town was there and they had
- e The dead man's brother, William, couldn't
- f The dead man's letter said there was

Chapters 11–12

9 Number the sentences to make a story.

- a Tom said he would get Jim some rats.
- b Huck took Uncle Silas's wagon into town.
- c Huck and the duke went into town to find the king.
- d Huck couldn't find Jim.
- e Tom and Huck dug a hole to help Jim escape.
- f Huck and Tom went to town and saw people driving the king and duke away.
- g Tom Sawyer arrived at the Phelps's farm.
- h Huck met Aunt Sally and she gave him a kiss.

10 Circle the extra word in the sentences.

- a The king and duke fought fought all the time.
- b Huck said he hid hide in the woods because he was scared of Jim.
- c Aunt Sally wanted to play make a trick on her husband.

- d Huck said he must to go to town to get his bags.
- e Tom pushed Aunt Sally away along when she tried to kiss him.
- f The king and duke were of in trouble.
- g Tom thinks that escape escaping takes a long time.
- h Tom agreed that it was difficult to run running with no feet.

Chapters 13–14

11 Write questions for the answers.

- a could / Aunt Sally?
.....
Uncle Silas's shirt.
- b kind / walls / prisons?
.....
Stone ones.
- c Tom and Huck / letter?
.....
To tell people that something was going to happen.
- d Huck / butter?
.....
Under his hat.
- e Tom / shot?
.....
In the leg.
- f Widow / before / died?
.....
She made Jim a free man.
- g Tom / Jim / \$40?
.....
Because he was a good prisoner.

12 Are these sentences right (✓) or wrong (X)?

- a Tom wanted to find a big rock so that Jim could sit on it.
- b Tom and Huck wrote a letter saying that some robbers wanted to steal Jim from the farm.
- c Aunt Sally thought it was funny when she saw the butter running down Huck's head.
- d Tom's jacket caught on a tree and made a lot of noise.
- e Tom was very unhappy because he was shot in the leg.
- f The doctor told the men that Jim was a good man.



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1 Are these sentences right (✓) or wrong (X)?

- a Jim loved to write stories and people loved to read them.
- b Huck's father couldn't read and write and he wasn't very nice to Huck.
- c Jim thought that Huck was dead when he ran away.
- d Huck dressed like a girl so that people wouldn't know who he was.
- e Huck saw a man with tied hands and feet on an old broken steamboat.
- f Jim knew that people in France speak a different language from people in America.
- g The two men that Huck and Jim met were really a king and a duke.
- h Huck helped Mary Jane by writing her a letter.
- i Tom wanted to help Jim escape in the easiest way possible.
- j At the end of the book, Tom is almost well again and Huck is living with Aunt Sally.

2 What happened first in the book? Number the sentences.

- a Huck and Jim get lost in the fog.
- b Huck escapes from his father's cabin and paddles away.
- c Huck and Jim takes some things from a house they see coming down the river.
- d Huck and Tom talk about how they are going to help Jim escape.
- e Tom starts a gang of robbers in his secret hiding place.
- f Jim is taken prisoner and kept on the Phelps' farm.
- g Aunt Sally hears all about Huck's adventures.
- h The king goes on stage and people find him very funny at first.
- i Huck talks to a woman who knows he isn't really a girl.
- j The king and duke say they are the brothers of a dead man.

3 Finish the sentences with the right word.

- hunting gladdest sink straight itch thanked
losing island knees off
- a Huck often starts to when he has to be quiet.
 - b When Huck was living with his father, he often went

- c It rained for the ten days and the almost disappeared.
- d Huck the woman for the food and left.
- e The boat was going to because it hit a big rock.
- f Huck said they cut King Louis's head.
- g The steamboat was going towards the raft.
- h The king went on stage on his hands and and he wasn't wearing any clothes.
- i The king and duke were angry about their money.
- j Tom was the of the three because he was shot in the leg.

4 Write the names next to the sentences.

Huck Tom Jim Widow Douglas Aunt Sally
Huck's Pap The king The duke Mr. Peter Wilks
Aunt Polly

- a was lying dead on the floor in a house on the river.
- b took a steamboat from St. Petersburg to see what the trouble was at the Phelps' farm.
- c felt sorry for Mary Jane and tried to help her.
- d said he wanted to eat before everybody else at dinner.
- e knows a lot about robbers and escaping from the books he reads.
- f got angry with Huck because of his dirty clothes.
- g took people's money at the door to a play in a tent.
- h got angry when Huck made a joke about the fog.
- i came from England and died leaving a lot of money.
- j was very worried because she thought Tom was dead.

5 Write a word.

- a A dead person who has returned to this world.
.....
- b To follow and kill animals for food or sport.
.....
- c A kind of boat made from long pieces of wood tied together.
- d Money given for information or other help.
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Book key

1.1 Open answers (1 In the south of the United States, in the 1800s.)

1.2 Open answers (6 ✓)

2.1 1 T 2 NT 3 T 4 NT 5 T 6 T

- 2.2 1 a Because he found the money. It is his.
b Because his father has disappeared.
c Because he finds his hat in a tree.
d Because he wants to keep it safe for Huck.
e Because he doesn't want Huck to run away.
f Because he wants to leave blood near the cabin.
People will think that he is dead.

2	Life with the Widow	Life with Pap
	goes to school	lives in a cabin
	learns to read, write, spell	is often locked in
	learns to be polite	hunts, fishes, swims
	lives in a house	Pap often hits him
	sleeps in a bed	
	wears nice, clean clothes	

- 2.3 1 to keep it safe.
2 to trick Jim.
3 to join Tom's gang.
4 to please the Widow.
5 to escape from Pap.
6 to trick Pap.

2.4 1 Jim 2 Huck

3.1 1 Huck 2 Jim 3 Pap 4 the Widow
5 Huck 6 Pap 7 Jim or Pap 8 Jim

3.2 Possible answers:

- 1 Don't forget your new name!
2 Don't leave your hat on in the house!
3 Don't walk like a boy!
4 Don't throw anything too hard or fast.
5 Don't put your legs together when you catch something in your dress.

- 3.3 1 Huck saw a man wearing a coat over his head.
2 Jim heard the Widow talking about him.
3 They saw a big house coming down the river.
4 They found a man lying on the floor.
5 There was a rat looking for food.
6 Huck found Jim sleeping in the tent.

3.4 1 Because he is running away from his father.
2 Because he wants to be a free man, not a slave.
3–8 Open answers (see 4.1)

4.1 father, free, night, steamboats, side, tent, fish, food

4.2 1 a 3 b 1 c 5 d 4 e 2 f 6

2 Possible answer: Jim and Huck heard a noise. Something was coming down the river, but they couldn't see it in the fog. Suddenly, a steamboat hit the raft and destroyed it.

- 4.3 1 was raining, saw
2 asked, was holding
3 was paddling, disappeared
4 found, was sleeping
5 were looking, saw
6 were talking, heard

4.4 1 a B kings
b B King Louis XVI (the Sixteenth) of France
c A the French

2 Open answers (Possible answers: smart, greedy, rich)

5.1 1 T 2 NT 3 NT 4 T 5 T 6 T 7 NT
8 NT

- 5.2 1 Jim, happy
2 The people in the town, angry
3 Jim, pain
4 Mary Jane, sad
5 Huck, worried
6 Huck, afraid

5.3 1 what 2 who 3 why 4 how 5 who
6 where 7 what 8 where

5.4 Open answers

- 6.1 1 is a prisoner on a farm.
2 is Tom Sawyer's aunt.
3 is Tom Sawyer.
4 is from Ohio.
5 is Sid Sawyer.
6 is alone in a locked cabin.

6.2 1 A f 2 D c 3 C b 4 A d 5 D e 6 B a

6.3 1 ve waited 2 hasn't come 3 have ... come
4 haven't come 5 ve seen 6 ve read

6.4 Open answers (but only A comes true)

Talk about it Open answers

Write about it Open answers

Project Open answers

Discussion activity key

- 1 Open answers. For information about the Mississippi River, see "Background and Themes". It passes through ten states: Minnesota, Wisconsin, Iowa, Illinois, Missouri, Kentucky, Tennessee, Arkansas, Mississippi and Louisiana.



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2–3 Open answers

4 So that his father doesn't follow him. Open answers

5–7 Open answers

8 He tells the man on the boat that his family are on the steamboat and need help. He tells Jim things about kings and dukes and that he was dreaming about the fog. He tells the men with the guns that Jim is white and that his family is sick. Open answers

9–11 Open answers

12 Suggested answers: Huck goes to town on a wagon to get his bags. It's illegal to help a runaway slave. Tom gives Aunt Sally a kiss and she doesn't like it. Tom wants to dig a hole to help Jim escape. Tom wants to give Jim an old shirt so that he can write messages on it. Tom wants to get some rats for Jim. There are always rats in prison.

13–14 Open answers

Activity worksheets key

- 1 a Widow Douglas b Jim c Tom
d Judge Thatcher e The teacher f Pap
g Huck
- 2 a happiness b hiding c ransom d footprints
e locked f hunting
- 3 a swam > paddled
b sky > water
c pig > ghost
d legal > illegal
e house > cave
f asleep > dead
- 4 a He made a tent.
b He was sleeping.
c He left the Widow's house the day after Huck "was killed".
d Because he has hairy arms.
e Because he didn't want anybody to see him.
f He practiced walking.
- 5 a Widow Douglas
b Huck
c Jim
d Man on the steamboat
e Man on the small boat

6 a tent b sink c language d smart e shining
f dreaming g wood

7 wide–narrow
entrance–exit
honest–dishonest
sick–well
dead–alive
carefully–carelessly
bring–take
downstairs–upstairs
quietly–loudly

8 a always feed him first at dinner.
b on a piece of paper.
c made a stage/did a show.
d eggs and old vegetables in their pockets.
e hear or speak.
f \$6,000 under the house.

9 a 8 b 5 c 1 d 2 e 7 f 6 g 3 h 4

10 a fought b hide c make d to (the first one)
e along f of g escape h running

11 a What couldn't Aunt Sally find?
b What kind of walls do prisons have?
c Why did Tom and Huck write a letter?
d Where did Huck put the butter?
e Where was Tom shot?
f What did Widow Douglas do before she died?
g Why did Tom give Jim \$40?

12 a X b ✓ c ✓ d ✓ e X f ✓

Progress test key

- 1 a X b ✓ c ✓ d ✓ e ✓ f X g X h ✓
i X j ✓
- 2 a 5 b 2 c 3 d 9 e 1 f 8 g 10 h 6
i 4 j 7
- 3 a itch b hunting c island d thanked e sink
f off g straight h knees i losing j gladdest
- 4 a Huck's Pap b Aunt Polly c Huck d The king
e Tom f Widow Douglas g The duke h Jim
i Mr. Peter Wilks j Aunt Sally
- 5 a ghost b hunt c raft d reward