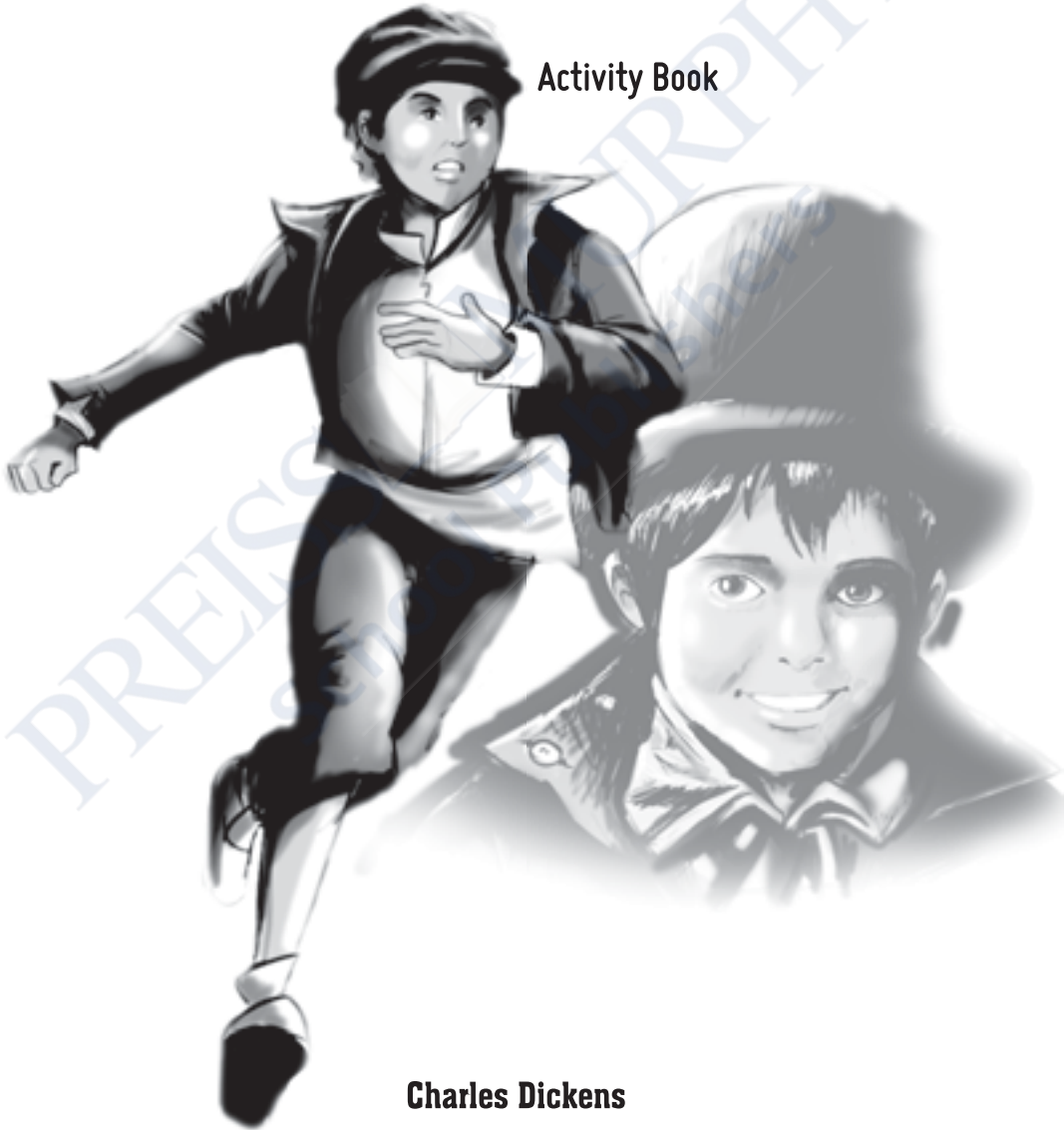


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Chapter 1

Oliver

1- Pre-reading:

- a- Do you have workhouses in your country?
- b- Where do homeless children go?
- c- Mention the titles of some novels written by Dickens?

2- During reading:

As you read find who said the following quotations and what are their significance:

- a- "You need to get as much rest as possible."
- b- "Please oh please let me see my baby."
- c- "No pulse, it's all over."
- d- "No one knows where she came from that's for sure,"

3- After reading:

A- Choose the right answer from a, b, or c:

- 1- Oliver was born in a big
 - a) workhouse b) castle c) house
- 2- Oliver's mother gave him a before she died.
 - a) blanket b) name c) smile
- 3- The doctor checked the of Oliver's mother.
 - a) temperature b) pressure c) pulse

- 4- Oliver became an
a) man b) orphan c) homeless
- 5- The nurse felt for Oliver.
a) sorry b) regret c) hatred

B- Read the sentences and correct the mistakes:

- a- Oliver was born in a fancy house.
b- Oliver's mother was very healthy.
c- The nurse gave Oliver his name.
d- The doctor knew where Oliver's mother came from.

C- Answer the following questions:

- 1- Where was Oliver born?
2- What did Oliver's mother look like when he was born?
3- Describe the mother's health condition after delivering the baby?
4- What did Oliver's mother want to see?
5- What happened to Oliver's mother?
6- How was Oliver's mother found?
7- What do you expect Oliver's future to be like?
8- Did Oliver cry of fear of an unpredictable future that lay before him? Comment on this question mentioned at the end of the chapter.

Chapter 2

Growing Up

1- Pre-reading:

- a- Do you remember anything about your personality when you were a child?
- b- Do you remember any embarrassing situations when you were a child?
- c- What was your worst punishment as a child?

2- During reading:

As you read find who said the following quotations and what are their significance:

- a- "The more you give those little beasts, the greedier they get."
- b- "I'm here to take young Oliver Twist back to the main workhouse."
- c- "No Sir No.....please don't take me away from Mrs. Mann."
- d- "I want some more, please."
- e- "He did, did he? Well we can't have that now can we?"

3- After reading:

A- Choose the right answer from a, b, or c:

- 1- At Mrs. Mann's workhouse orphans were treated
 - a) gently b) offensively c) softly

- 2- Mr. Bumble took Oliver because he was too to remain with Mrs. Mann.
a) young b) naughty c) old
- 3- The bowls were by the children.
a) licked b) washed c) polished
- 4- Oliver was beaten for asking for more
a) work b) food c) clothes
- 5- Oliver must Mr. Bumble's work house.
a) stay b) work c) leave

B- Read the sentences and correct the mistakes:

- a- The children were having fun at Mrs. Mann's workhouse.
b- Oliver happily celebrated his birthday.
c- Oliver was sad to leave Mrs. Mann's place.
d- Mr. Bumble was very kind to the orphans.

C- Answer the following questions:

- 1- Describe the children's conditions at Mrs. Mann's workhouse.
2- What did Mrs. Mann do with the British allowance?
3- How did Oliver spend his ninth birthday?
4- Why did Mr. Bumble come to visit Mrs. Mann?
5- What was the nature of Oliver's work at the main workhouse?
6- Why did the orphans hold a council meeting?
7- What happened to Oliver when he asked for more?
8- What did the notice on the outer wall of the workhouse say?

D- Write (T) for True and (F) for False:

- 1- Oliver was sent to another workhouse after two months. ()
- 2- Mrs. Mann was very kind and honest. ()
- 3- Oliver was happy to go with Mr. Bumble. ()
- 4- Oliver was beaten on his head. ()
- 5- Mr. Bumble wanted Oliver to leave the workhouse. ()

E- Re-arrange the incidents:

- 1- Oliver did harsh work at Mr. Bumble's workhouse. ☐
- 2- Oliver was beaten for asking for more food. ☐
- 3- Oliver was sent to another workhouse. ☐
- 4- A notice was put offering a reward for anyone who takes Oliver. ☐
- 5- Mr. Bumble came to take Oliver. ☐
- 6- Mrs. Mann locked Oliver up in the cellar. ☐

F- Fill in the gaps using the following words:

locked up - allowance - workhouse - miserable - nine - food - life

Oliver was sent to a to be looked after by an elderly lady called Mrs. Mann who took the British to herself. When Oliver was, he was taken back to the main workhouse. He found in the workhouse One day when Oliver asked for more....., he was beaten up and was for the night.

An interactive literature class

- 1- What do you think is important about the title of this chapter?
- 2- Compare between Mr. Bumble and Mrs. Mann.
- 3- Do you think Mr. Bumble is a comic character? Why? Why not?