

David Copperfield

Charles Dickens

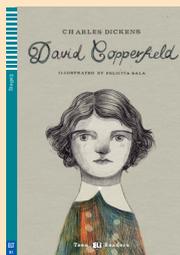
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Activity

Put the verb into the past tense.

be x2 - find - leave - meet - send - speak - tell - write

- 1 I _____ to Miss Mills and Agnes and _____ told them of my engagement to Dora.
- 2 Dora and I _____ when we could and _____ letters to each other every day.
- 3 My aunt stayed with me and we _____ accommodation for Mr Dick.
- 4 I immediately _____ to Mr Spenlow about my circumstances but he _____ unwilling to release me from my articles.
- 5 Dora _____ distraught at her father's death.
- 6 Agnes smiled sadly and _____ me.



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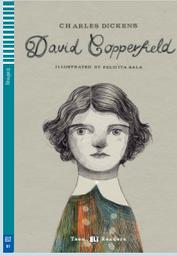
Test yourself

Read these descriptions, then decide who each one describes.

- 1 Handsome with dark hair. Tells his wife how to behave and does not let her be herself or be free. Is stern and unkind, and takes control of everything.
- 2 At first affectionate and loving, becomes submissive and does not show her emotions. Does what her new husband tells her to.
- 3 Feels strong emotions. Can be jealous, and is easily upset. Is unhappy when his mother marries again.
- 4 Kind and generous. Is affectionate. Has a warm and loving family who live in a boat that has been made into a home.
- 5 Rather large, middle-aged man. No hair and a shiny head. His clothes are not new. Has a wife and four children who live in a house that needs some money to be spent on it. Is kind, but not good with money.
- 6 Talks of himself as a humble person, moves like a snake and tries to make everyone like him.

Answer:

1 Mr Murdstone; 2 Clara, David's mother; 3 David Copperfield; 4 Peggotty; 5 Mr Micawber; 6 Uriah Heep



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Focus on...

CHARLES DICKENS' CHRISTMAS

During the Christmas period, the city of London turns into Charles Dickens' Victorian Age where it's always Christmas Eve! Lively calls of street vendors ring out and mixes with holiday carolers; intriguing aromas of roasted chestnuts and hearty foods fill the air; attractive shops are full of Christmas gifts.

To make old London town, the city transforms dance floors and music halls, tearooms and shops.

