



## DUBLINERS JAMES JOYCE

STAGE 4  
B2  
YOUNG ADULT READERS

### ACTIVITY

Write speech or reported speech in the spaces. The first is done to help you.

More people attended the concert on Thursday night, but Mrs. Kearney saw at once that the members of the audience had been given free tickets.

- 0 Mr. Fitzpatrick seemed to enjoy himself;  
*'This is a good concert,' said Mr. Fitzpatrick*

He had no idea that Mrs. Kearney was angry with him.

- 1 She had heard that the Friday concert had been cancelled but that the committee was trying to make sure there was a full house on Saturday night. She asked Mr. Holohan if it was true.

'I hear \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_, ' Mrs Kearney asked.

- 2 Yes it was true.

'Yes, \_\_\_\_\_,'  
answered Mr. Fitzpatrick.

- 3 'But of course, that doesn't change the contract,' she said. 'The contract was for four concerts.'

Mrs. Kearney reminded him that \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_



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**4** Mr. Holohan advised her to speak to Mr. Fitzpatrick.  
'You should \_\_\_\_\_,' Mr. Holohan said.

**5** Mrs. Kearney was now beginning to be worried.  
'I am \_\_\_\_\_,' Mrs. Kearney said.

**6** She told Mr. Fitzpatrick that her daughter had signed for four concerts and that, of course, according to the contract, she must receive all the money, whether the Society gave four concerts or not.

'My daughter \_\_\_\_\_,' said Mrs. Kearney, 'according to the contract she must receive all the money \_\_\_\_\_.'

**7** Mr. Fitzpatrick did not seem to understand the problem but said he would speak to the committee.

'I am not sure I \_\_\_\_\_,' Mr. Fitzpatrick said,  
'I \_\_\_\_\_.'

1 'I hear the Friday concert has been cancelled and the committee is trying to get a full house on Saturday night. Is this true?' Mrs Kearney asked.  
2 'Yes, it is true,' answered Mr. Fitzpatrick. 3 Mrs. Kearney reminded him that didn't change the contract, the contract was for four concerts. 4 'You should speak to Mr. Fitzpatrick,' Mr. Holohan said. 5 'I am beginning to get worried,' Mrs. Kearney said. 6 'My daughter has signed for four concerts,' said Mrs. Kearney, 'according to the contract she must receive all the money whether the Society gives four concerts or not.' 7 'I am not sure I understand the problem,' Mr. Fitzpatrick said, 'I will speak to the committee.'



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### TEST YOURSELF

Match each word to its definition on the right.

- 1 stage
- 2 regret
- 3 vacant
- 4 wipe
- 5 burst
- 6 rage
- 7 restless
- 8 fleshy
- 9 enthusiastic
- 10 abruptly

- A fat
- B explode
- C the place in a theatre where actors perform
- D empty
- E excited
- F quickly and unexpectedly
- G clean
- H not able to keep still
- I deep anger
- J feel disappointed or sorry about



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### FCE - Speaking

**3 Work in pairs. Ask and answer questions about the stories in The Dubliners and the writer, James Joyce. Use the prompts to help you.**

- favourite story?
- why?
- characters / like best?
- why?
- story / not like so much?
- make film of one story / which one?
- scene / remember most / The Dubliners?
- James Joyce / like Dublin of the time?
- why / why not?



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### FOCUS ON...

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## JAMES JOYCE AND HIS FRIENDSHIP WITH ITALO SVEVO

His sympathy and friendship with the Italian writer Italo Svevo would be relevant: the two got to know in 1907 when Svevo, who was travelling to London, was seeking an English teacher.

In Trieste, a peculiar city in the North of Italy, Joyce completed *Dubliners* and published different poems, theatre plays and began to work on the novel *Ulysses* which would give him international fame.

Svevo is thought as one of the ideals for Leopold Bloom, particularly in his Jewish origins. Livia Veneziani, Svevo's wife, also inspired Joyce and he referred to her long tawny mane when, in *Finnegans Wake*, he describes the water flowing in the river Liffey, that runs through Dublin.

