



# THE PICTURE OF DORIAN GRAY

## OSCAR WILDE

STAGE 2  
B1  
YOUNG ADULT READERS

### ACTIVITY

#### 1 Read the questions on Chapter 2, and choose the correct answer.

- 1 What do we learn about Dorian's mother?
  - A She married a rich farmer and went to live in the country.
  - B Her parents were happy that she married a soldier.
  - C She ran away with a soldier who had no money.
  
- 2 What does Lord Henry do at the lunch with Aunt Agatha?
  - A He talks well and makes everyone laugh.
  - B He tells the men they should marry an American.
  - C He tells Dorian to stop playing the piano to the poor.
  
- 3 What does Lord Henry say to Dorian about women?
  - A He thinks they are important in society.
  - B He thinks women are more intelligent than men.
  - C He tells Dorian not to get married.
  
- 4 Why is Lord Henry interested in Dorian and his love for Sybil Vane?
  - A He is jealous and wants to be young again.
  - B He sees Dorian as an experiment.
  - C He wants Dorian to be happy with Sybil.



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### TEST YOURSELF

Find some of the glossary words from this book in the word search below. Then choose 5 that you are not sure of and write definitions.

acquaintance, coal mine, coarse, crowded, dream, frame, foreign, mood, portrait, remind, shallow, sin, sketch, spoil, sunburnt, vain.

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### PET – Writing

Write a diary entry from Dorian, on the day that he sees the first changes in the portrait.

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FOCUS ON...

### INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT OSCAR WILDE

- His full name was Oscar Fingal O’Flahertie Wills Wilde.
- His father, William Wilde, was an acclaimed doctor. He founded St. Mark’s Ophthalmic Hospital to treat the city’s poor.
- His mother, Jane Wilde, was a successful writer.
- An early romantic love of Oscar Wilde was Florence Balcombe: she became the wife of Bram Stoker, the author of Dracula.
- While at Magdalen College, Wilde began wearing his hair long and openly scorning “manly” sports, and began decorating his rooms with peacock feathers, lilies, sunflowers and objets d’art.

