

Evil Under the Sun

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While reading

Chapters 1–2

1 Write the names to finish the sentences.

Miss Darnley Mr Gardener Miss Brewster
Christine Redfern Patrick Redfern Poirot
Arlena Marshall Kenneth Marshall

- a speaks only when necessary.
- b thinks rowing is a good way to keep your stomach flat.
- c doesn't like the movement of boats.
- d is wearing an unusual green cardboard sun hat.
- e thinks she's failed by not getting married.
- f had married a woman suspected of murder.
- g wants to leave the hotel because of one of the guests.
- h tells his wife she is being jealous for no reason.

2 Put words on the left with words on the right.

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| wide | marry |
| odd | ask |
| pale | narrow |
| cheerful | sensibly |
| reply | normal |
| fail | sad |
| unwisely | tanned |
| divorce | succeed |

Chapters 3–4

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

- a Mr Blatt had a edsrie to be loud and friendly wherever her went.
- b Linda Marshall went to a shop on the namnidla
- c You have to euezeqs through some rocks to get into Pixy Cove.
- d Poirot thought a woman must have nsodoesg or brains to be important.
- e The woman in the shop Linda went to was busy eniwesgp the floor.
- f Poirot got his white aehrteI shoes wet in the sea.
- g Mrs Gardener was sure that the wool was in a wreadr

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

- a Rosamund thought that Kenneth should divorce his wife.
- b Christine Redfern was happy to get into the car with Mr Blatt.
- c Poirot was alone in the hotel bar when Partrick Redfern arrived.
- d Poirot didn't listen to the whole conversation Arlena and Patrick had about their love.
- e August 25th was a bright, sunny day.
- f Linda Marshall didn't like going on trips with Christine.

Chapters 5–6

5 Underline the wrong word and put the right one.

- a Kenneth Marshall smoked a pipe when he was talking to the police.
- b Kenneth Marshall showed the police four letters that he had written that morning.
- c Dr Neasdon was confident that Arlena had been strangled by a woman.
- d Linda told the police that Arlena was horrible to her.
- e Patrick had met Arlena at a meeting.
- f Patrick said he used to meet Arlena at Gull Cove in the morning.

6 Circle the extra word in the sentences.

- a The chief constable chose his words careful carefully with Mrs Castle.
- b Kenneth believed that Arlena had has met Patrick before she arrived at the hotel.
- c Rosamund said that she didn't know that Kenneth would will be at the hotel.
- d Linda came into the room a little too much quickly.
- e Weston thought that Poirot had put ideas into through Linda's head.
- f Patrick stared at Poirot and shake shook his head.
- g Weston stopped talking talk as Christine came into the room.

Chapters 7–8

7 Answer the questions.

- a What did Christine hear when she went outside to get some fresh air?
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- b Who did Mrs Gardener think would be a better wife to Kenneth Marshall?
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- c Why had Major Barry gone to St Loo the morning of the murder?
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- d In whose room did Poirot find some burnt things?
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- e What did Poirot notice on a shelf in Linda's room?
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- f What could Poirot smell in Rosamund's room?
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- g How did the servant know that Linda hadn't gone for a swim?
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8 Find words in Chapters 7–8.

- a Think somebody is guilty. (p. 44)
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- b Something women wear to look more beautiful. (p. 45)
- c Show that something is true or not. (p. 48)
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- d Not sure. (p. 49)
- e A lot of things, one on top of the other. (p. 50)
- f A place you can walk, like a narrow road. (p. 51)
- g Went somewhere quickly. (p. 53)
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- h A kind of stairs that can be moved around. (p. 56)

Chapters 9–10

9 Finish the sentences with the right word.

- speed embarrassed shiny likely courtroom lit
- a The reverend took out his pipe, filled it with tobacco and it.
 - b The police tested the of Kenneth's typing.
 - c A small crowd of people came out of the
 - d Christine said Linda was when the candles fell on the floor.

- e Poirot thought that from the beginning one person was the most to be the murderer.
- f Poirot went down to the beach in his tight shoes.

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

- a Poirot rowed to Pixy Cove alone.
- b All the things they found on the beach had been put there recently.
- c Mr Blatt didn't think it was much fun staying at the hotel.
- d Kenneth Marshall didn't interrupt his writing to speak to Rosamund.
- e Kenneth wanted to talk to the reporters outside the courtroom.
- f Linda thought that Rosamund knew what she had done.
- g Mrs Gardener was enjoying watching Poirot at work.
- h Poirot didn't want to help Linda Marshall.

Chapters 11–12

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

- a Reverend Lane was bdoelurt by the idea of evil.
- b No ndicevee was ever discovered about Alice Corrigan's death.
- c Weston thought Mr Blatt was a drug egmrglus
- d Miss Brewster felt niatf crossing running water.
- e Poirot said Linda had made a uhrog figure with the candles.
- f Patrick hid a green Chinese hat under his wolet

12 Put the words in the right place to make sentences.

- a had a left of Arlena sum money large been
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- b Linda's by moved watch forward minutes
twenty Christine
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- c was of Linda guilty magic only trying
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- d a rather I decision now would have definite
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1 Are these sentences right (✓) or wrong (X)?

- a Poirot said that there is evil everywhere under the sun.
- b Poirot never listened to private conversations.
- c Linda Marshall liked both Rosamund Darnley and Christine Redfern.
- d Kenneth Marshall told the police that his marriage was a happy one.
- e Patrick Redfern told the police that he wasn't interested in Arlena.
- f At one point, the police believed Arlena was being blackmailed.
- g Gladys Narracott told Poirot that something had gone missing from one of the guests' rooms.
- h Poirot and the police found some very interesting things in the cave at Pixy Cove.
- i Linda told Rosamund everything that she had done after the court case.

2 What happened first? Number the sentences 1–10.

- a The police arrive and Poirot tells them that he was probably the last person to see Arlena before she was murdered.
- b Poirot says that Patrick Redfern is the evil one, helped by his 'wife' Christine.
- c Poirot notices that every man turns to look at the beautiful Arlena, except her husband Kenneth.
- d Rosamund tries to help Linda by telling her to forget everything.
- e Christine tells the police about a conversation she had heard and they now think the murder is related to blackmail.
- f Poirot hears a conversation between Christine and Patrick Redfern in which he tells her not to be jealous.
- g Poirot searches some of the guests' rooms and finds some strange things in the fireplace in Linda's room.
- h Linda takes some sleeping pills and an envelope is found on the table by her bed.
- i Patrick and Miss Brewster row to Pixy Cove and discover a dead body lying on the beach.
- j Poirot and the police go back to Pixy Cove and discover things that suggest drugs are involved in the case.

3 Write the names to finish the sentences.

Poirot Arlena Kenneth Marshall Linda Marshall
Rosamund Darnley Mrs Gardener Mr Gardener
Major Barry Reverend Lane

- a has travelled a lot and likes knitting and doing puzzles.
- b wasn't happy about her appearance and had lost her mother very young.
- c believed that when you marry it is for life.
- d believed that intelligence is more important in a woman than beauty.
- e rowed out to Pixy Cove alone one morning.
- f told long and boring stories about his time in India.
- g was a good tennis player and was worried about his wife's health.
- h had been to see a church the day of the murder.
- i gave somebody a false alibi because she was in love with him.

4 Finish the sentences with the right words.

smuggled knitting cliff nodded balcony
candle perfume motive tan

- a The only light we had was from a
- b What was the murderer's ?
- c My mother likes scarves for all her grandchildren.
- d We walked to the edge of the and looked out at the sea.
- e I always get a good in summer.
- f They some drugs in their suitcases.
- g She her head in agreement.
- h I bought some expensive for my friend.
- i I went out on the to get some fresh air.