

# The Island of Doctor Moreau

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## While reading

### Chapters 1–2

- 1 Write information about the *Lady Vain*. Include pictures.
  - a What can people do on the ship?  
.....
  - b How can people enjoy themselves?  
.....
  - c What colour are the bedrooms?  
.....
  - d What can people eat and drink?  
.....
  - e Where can the boat take you?  
.....
- 2 **Pairwork:** With another student, write the conversation between Prendick and the other men on the boat.
- 3 **Write:** What questions did Montgomery ask Prendick? Write them.
- 4 **Write a letter.** Montgomery rescues Prendick and writes a letter about it.
- 5 **Who said this?** The Captain, Montgomery or Prendick?
  - a 'Get out of the way, M'ling.' .....
  - b 'Stop that, captain.' .....
  - c 'Leave him, Montgomery!' .....
  - d 'Don't hurt him.' .....
  - e 'Look at my ship!' .....

### Chapters 3–4

- 6 **Research:** Use books or the Internet to learn more.
  - a What's the weather like in the South Pacific in summer and in winter?
  - b What stars can they see?
  - c What fruit plants grow in the South Pacific?
- 7 **Pairwork:** With another student, write one of Prendick's terrible dreams.
- 8 **Why were the people on the boat unusual?** Compare them with the man with the white hair.
- 9 **Read the description on page 8, and draw the island.** Add more information if you want.

- 10 **Compare meals.** What does Prendick eat for breakfast? Is this like your breakfast?
- 11 **Pairwork:** What do you like eating for breakfast? What about the other meals? And what about your partner? Ask him/her.

### Chapters 5–6

- 12 **Role play:** Work with another student. You are Montgomery and Prendick. Have the conversation in Chapter 6.
- 13 **Write:** Prendick looked into Dr Moreau's laboratory. He heard Montgomery and Moreau speaking, but he didn't want to hear more. Finish the conversation between Moreau and Montgomery on page 17.
- 14 **Write why ...**
  - a Prendick drank whisky for the very first time.
  - b Prendick should get some sleep.
  - c Prendick looked into the laboratory.
  - d Prendick took a walking stick.
  - e Prendick hid in the shadows.
  - f Prendick couldn't live alone on the island.

### Chapters 7–8

- 15 **Write 50 words about the two chapters.**
- 16 **Read the Law on page 20.** Add more lines starting with 'Don't ...'
- 17 **Imagine you're turned into an animal and you live with other animals.** Write the Law for these new animals. Who is your Master?
- 18 **Answer these questions.**
  - a Why did Prendick want to kill himself?
  - b Why did Moreau speak in Latin?
  - c Why didn't Moreau want Prendick on the island?
  - d Why mustn't the animals see their Master with his hands above his head?

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## Chapters 9–10

**19 Pairwork:** Compare the animal men and human beings. Compare their bodies, clothes, etc.

You can use the following words:

beautiful	intelligent
bright	large
calm	lonely
careful	long
clever	sad
dangerous	safe
dark	sensible
excited	silent
friendly	slow
heavy	small
honest	wild

**20 Write a conversation.** Imagine a conversation between the three boys and the first ape man.

**21 Role play the conversation from 20.**

**22 Write about one of the animal men.** Write about a day in his life. Do not say what animal man you're describing. The other students have to guess what animal it is.

**23 Research:** Look up the word *headline* in your dictionary, then read page 30 again. Write the headline for the newspaper that day.

## Chapters 11–12

**24 Read chapter 11 again.** You're M'ling. Tell your story.

**25 What questions does Prendick have about what happened that morning? Write them.**

**26 Think of ways to punish Moreau.** In the story, Moreau dies. Is the punishment correct? Write more ideas.

Example: *He should go to prison.*

## Chapters 13–14

**27 Pair work: Work with another student.** You're Prendick. You want to leave the island. What must you take with you? Make a list of necessary things and things you mustn't take.

**28 Write why ...**

- Montgomery wanted to have a party.
- The animals shouted 'The Master'.
- The house was on fire.
- The animals followed Prendick.
- The dog-man was good to Prendick.

**29 Pair work: Discuss with a partner.**

- What can animals do that men can't?
- What can men do that animals can't?

Make a list.

## After reading

**30 Pair work: Work with another student.**

Student A: Read three lines from the book.

Do not show the lines to your friend.

Student B: do not look at the book. Say what happens before and after.

**31 You're preparing a visit to Moreau's island.** Write information about it. Give the island a name. You can also name the animal-men.

**32 Discuss with another student.** Is the end happy or sad? Change the ending.

**33 Pair work: Work with another student.** Tell part of the story. Give some wrong information. Can your partner find the wrong information?

**34 Pair work: Draw a map of Moreau's island.** Give directions to another student to go from one place to another.

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## Chapters 1–2

### 1 Choose the right name to complete.

Prendick the sailor Helmar

Montgomery Davis

- a ..... didn't want to die.
- b ..... had a moustache.
- c ..... liked natural history.
- d ..... was very rude.
- e ..... was attacked on the boat.

## Chapters 3–4

### 2 Are these sentences right (✓) or wrong (X)?

- a Montgomery was happy with Prendick's questions about the island.
- b M'ling's eyes were strange.
- c The old man was a scientist.
- d Prendick liked whisky.
- e Prendick didn't know anything about Moreau.

## Chapters 5–6

### 3 What's the right answer? a, b, or c?

- 1 The first strange man had ...
  - a green eyes.
  - b blue clothes.
  - c pink skin.
- 2 The other strange creatures ...
  - a looked like cats.
  - b drank water from the stream.
  - c had no toes.
- 3 Prendick got to the beach ...
  - a after a few minutes.
  - b in the morning.
  - c before he hit a stone.
- 4 When Prendick saw Moreau's lab ...
  - a Moreau got angry.
  - b Moreau hit Prendick.
  - c Montgomery locked Prendick.
- 5 When Prendick was hiding in the forest ...
  - a an animal attacked him.
  - b Moreau found him.
  - c he saw a strange person.

## Chapters 7–8

### 4 What happened first? Put these in the right order.

Write the numbers, 1–5.

- a Moreau and Montgomery found Prendick.
- b Prendick met the strange grey thing.
- c Prendick was afraid of Moreau.
- d The ape-man took Prendick to the huts.
- e They repeated the Law.

## Chapters 9–10

### 5 What's the right one?

- a (Prendick / M'ling / Montgomery) didn't understand the experiments.
- b Moreau first went to the island (alone / with Montgomery / with M'ling).
- c Prendick told (M'ling / Montgomery / Moreau) about the attack on his first day on the island.
- d In the afternoon, Moreau (called all the animals / went to the beach / worked in his lab).
- e (Prendick / Moreau / Montgomery) killed the leopard-man.

## Chapters 11–12

### 6 Match

Complete with the right number.

- a One of the pig-men ...
- b Prendick ...
- c Montgomery ...
- d M'ling ...
- e Moreau ...
  - 1 didn't go back to the house.
  - 2 didn't live with the other animal-people.
  - 3 wanted to escape.
  - 4 wanted to drink with M'ling.
  - 5 attacked Montgomery.

## Chapters 13–14

### 7 Are these sentences right (✓) or wrong (X)?

- a Montgomery drank and sang with the animal-men.
- b M'ling killed Montgomery.
- c The house caught fire.
- d Montgomery made a fire on the beach with trees.
- e Prendick lived with the animal-men for ten months.
- f Two sailors saved Prendick.