



# GREAT EXPECTATIONS CHARLES DICKENS

STAGE 2  
A2  
YOUNG ADULT READERS

## ACTIVITIES

Use the words in the box to write descriptions of Estella and Miss Havisham.

happy that Pip is uncomfortable - horrible - in a bad temper - old white dress - old white shoes - pretty proud - rich cloth - rude - scornful - strange wedding flowers - white hair - yellow - young

### Estella

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### Miss Havisham

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### TEST YOURSELF

Match the word and its definition.

*to splash = to make a noise with water*

- 1 common
- 2 confusing
- 3 enormous
- 4 frightened
- 5 locked
- 6 property
- 7 rough
- 8 to scrub

- a difficult to understand
- b very, very big
- c money or a house
- d not beautiful, not fine
- e not educated, of a low social class
- f to wash something hard to make it very clean
- g closed with a key (eg a door or box)
- h afraid, worried that something bad will happen



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## Key (KET) – Grammar

Put each verb in the right form.

'I'm here because my client 1 \_\_\_\_\_ (pay) me to be here, you 2 \_\_\_\_\_ (be) very common people.

I 3 \_\_\_\_\_ (not usually speak) to common people.

But you Pip, are now a man of Great Expectations. That means that one day you 4 \_\_\_\_\_ (be) a very rich man. Now, you must have a good education. You must become a gentleman. My client 5 \_\_\_\_\_ (want) to pay for that education. You 6 \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to London. You are going to start your learning as soon as possible.'

I 7 \_\_\_\_\_ (can not believe) it.

My dream 8 \_\_\_\_\_ (come) true. Me, Pip, a gentleman.

1 has paid; 2 are; 3 don't usually speak; 4 will be; 5 wants; 6 are going to go; 7 couldn't; 8 was coming.



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FOCUS ON...

### The Dickens Christmas Fair



If you love Charles Dickens and you want to enter into his world, in London you have the possibility to make your dream come true! Every year, five weeks including the Friday after Thanksgiving, the Cow Palace Exhibition Halls in Daly City hosts *The Great Dickens Christmas Fair*.

It's one-of-a-kind holiday adventure into Victorian London - an elaborate party with hundreds of costumed players performing and interacting with patrons in theatrically-lit music halls, pubs, dance floors, and Christmas shops. It's a twilight evening in Charles Dickens' London Town - a city of winding lanes filled with colourful characters from both literature and history. Enticing aromas of roasted chestnuts and hearty foods fill the air. Cries of street vendors hawking their wares ring out above the bustling crowd. Dozens of lamplight shops are full of Christmas gifts. *The Dickens Christmas Fair* is a treasured Bay Area tradition since 1970 and a splendid way to celebrate the holidays.