

STAGE 2 A2 Young adult readers

#### **ACTIVITY**

Put the right words in the gaps.

about - again - at - back - down - in - my - out - to - up

Last night, I went 1 ......bed as usual. I put the flowers all around 2 .......room. In the middle of the night I woke 3 ........... There was a noise 4.......... my window. I looked 5........... and saw the huge bat 6.......... Then 7......... the distance, I heard a dog howling. The noise got louder and louder. I tried to go 8.......... to sleep but I was afraid. Then Mother came into my room. She said she was worried 9............ me. Then we heard the noise at the window and she saw the bat. She looked frightened and a little shocked. I told her to sit 10.............. I didn't want her to be ill. I could hear her heart.



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Read the descriptions then decide who it is.

#### **TEST YOURSELF**

1 I have lots of friends and men always fall in love with me. I have a best friend. I tell her all my secrets.
<b>2</b> I am a doctor. I work in a psychiatric hospital. I am worried about some of the people I look after. They are very strange!
<b>3</b> I am looking to move to a new country. I need a new house to live in. I prefer to sleep during the day and like to do my work at night.
<b>4</b> I am young, I travel for my job. I study law so I like to understand what is happening, but I often find myself in danger.
<b>5</b> I am a young woman who likes learning new skills. I have a good friend who lives in Whitby. I fall in love with a man who not my husband.
<b>6</b> I live in a locked room but I am happy. I have lots of friends. I like spiders and insects.

- **A** Jonathan Harker
- **B** Mina Murray / Harker
- **C** R M Renfield
- **D** Count Dracula
- **E** Lucy Westenra
- **F** John Seward



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### FCE - Speaking

Work in pairs. One person reads the information in the box, the other asks questions to plan a train journey from London to Budapest.

Journey details

Date of journey: 25 July

Leaving from London St Pancras at 10.58 Arriving Brussels Midi at 14.11

Leave Brussels Midi at 16.16 Arrive Budapest at 09.19 the next morning (change in Vienna)

- London to Budapest by train?
- time / leave London?
- where / change?
- time / arrive Budapest?
- other information?



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**FOCUS ON...** 

### **DUBLIN GHOST STORY FESTIVAL**



The first Dublin Ghost Story Festival takes place in August, including a gorgeous line-up of authors, including David Mitchell, Adam Nevill and Sarah Pinborough.

This festival was born in Dublin as, like Showers claims, "The literary ghost story in all its guises has deep roots in Ireland, from the domestic hauntings of Mrs Riddell's *Weird Stories* to the spectral disturbances of Le Fanu's *In a Glass Darkly*, from Elizabeth Bowen's urbane Demon Lover to Bram Stoker's blood contribution to literature. *Dracula*.

The Ulysses Centre is on course to open in

summer 2018 after Dublin City Council in August 2016 granted planning permission to University College Dublin.

This partnership between UCD and the National Library of Ireland wants to celebrate Ireland's literary heritage and being a memorial destination for scholarly engagement as well as a tourist attraction. Margaret Kelleher, professor of Anglo-Irish literature, says, "We have produced a stream of wonderful writers whose work reaches audiences throughout the world."