

The Tenant of Wildfell Hall

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A Before Reading

- Look at the picture on page 25. There are many things you can tell about the story from looking at the picture. Look at their clothes, the furnishings and the table settings. Can you make some guesses about the following questions?
 - Who are these people?
 - What year is the picture set in?
 - What are they talking about?
 - What kind of gathering is it?
- In the word maze below are ten adjectives. Each word begins with a bold letter. Words can run forwards or backwards, up or down, diagonally or horizontally. Find the ten words then write a definition for each word.

Y	U	N	H	A	P	P	Y	D	L	Y	K
D	F	S	B	D	S	N	M	U	B	L	F
E	A	U	N	F	R	I	E	N	D	L	Y
C	E	O	R	Y	H	T	V	B	I	N	O
E	I	I	B	T	H	G	I	F	S	J	K
I	A	T	O	A	N	N	L	D	H	E	A
T	F	A	L	E	I	I	X	K	O	F	G
F	F	T	N	F	Y	M	C	L	N	H	Y
U	H	R	U	D	E	R	F	I	E	I	J
L	U	I	M	T	K	A	T	O	S	M	O
R	D	L	O	C	L	H	U	N	T	X	L
N	I	F	W	H	O	C	I	L	E	S	P
K	E	E	L	B	A	R	U	O	N	O	H

B While Reading

- Gilbert Markham and Helen Graham are the two main characters in the story. Their feelings change for each other during the story. Write how their feelings change for each other in chapters two, three and four. What phrases or sentences in the chapter tell you how their feelings have changed?

4 Below are four of the main characters from the story. In the small boxes are some adjectives. Draw a line between the characters and the adjectives that describe them.



happy

dishonest



cold

bad tempered

flirtatious

friendly

rude

charming

trustworthy

handsome



evil

honourable

faithful



C After Reading

- 5 Relationships and marriage in England have changed a lot since this story was written. How have relationships and marriage changed in your country from the 1820s to now?
- 6 Read page 73. Gilbert Markham is thinking about Helen Graham but cannot speak to her or see her. Pretend you are Gilbert Markham. Write a letter to Helen telling her of your feelings.

7 Look at the picture below. Who are the characters? Write a thought bubble for each of them.

