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WORKBOOK

A Service of Love

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Reading Activities

[Chapter 1] A Love of Art

Before You Read

Look at the chapter heading and illustration. Think about the questions below.

- 1 Do you think this chapter will be about love or art or both?
- 2 Look at the illustration on page 8. Where do you think the man and woman are?
- 3 Do you think one of them is an artist? Why or why not?

After You Read

A. Choose the best answer.

What is NOT true about Joe and Delia?

- a. They met in a studio.
- b. They fell in love with each other.
- c. They were both skilled painters.

B. Write the information in the right place.

- ★ had a skill for singing
- ★ had very little money
- ★ went north to finish studying
- ★ left for New York at 20 years old
- ★ lived in a village in the south
- ★ came from the Midwest

Delia

Joe

Before You Read

Look at the chapter heading and illustration. Think about the questions below.

- 1 In this chapter, Joe and Delia are very happy. Why do you think they are happy?
- 2 Look at the illustration on page 11. What is Delia doing? What is Joe doing?
- 3 Do you think Joe and Delia's lessons are important to them? Why or why not?

After You Read

A. Choose the best answer.

What were Joe and Delia's future aims?

- a. They wanted to become successful and famous.
- b. They wanted to live in a bigger apartment.
- c. They wanted more money so they could be happier.

B. Match the characters and their descriptions.

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| 1. Delia | • | • studying to become an artist |
| 2. Joe | • | • a famous pianist; taught his students his methods |
| 3. Mr. Magister | • | • an expensive artist; brought his students fame |
| 4. Herr Rosenstock | • | • studying to become a musician |

[Chapter 3] Music Lessons

Before You Read

Look at the chapter heading and illustration. Think about the questions below.

- 1 Who do you think will give music lessons?
- 2 Look at the illustration on page 14. What do you think Delia is telling Joe about?
- 3 Does Delia still seem happy? Why or why not?

After You Read

A. Choose the best answer.

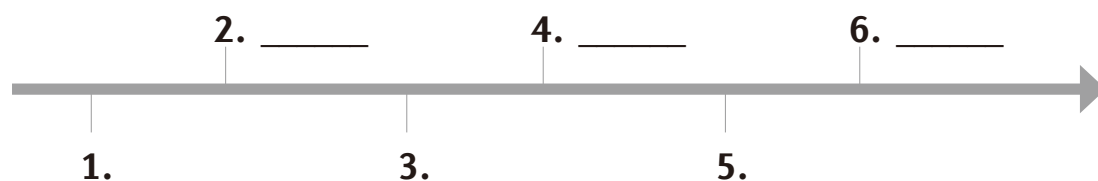
What news did Delia have for Joe?

- a. She decided to quit studying with Mr. Rosenstock.
- b. She found a student to teach piano.
- c. She wanted to move to Seventy-First Street.

B. Put the information in the right place.

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| a. finds a young girl to teach piano to | d. says she will make \$5 a lesson |
| b. persuades Joe to keep studying | e. goes out looking for students |
| c. can't pay for her piano lessons | f. says she is always with her music |

Delia . . .



[Chapter 4] Joe's Sketches

Before You Read

Look at the chapter heading and illustration. Think about the questions below.

- 1 What types of things do you think Joe likes to sketch?
- 2 Look at the illustration on page 17. Do you think Joe sold some art? Why or why not?
- 3 What do you think Joe and Delia will do with their money?

After You Read

A. Choose the best answer.

How much money did Joe and Delia earn in one week?

- a. Twenty-two dollars
- b. Fifteen dollars
- c. Thirty-three dollars

B. Write T for True or F for False.

1. Joe was excited about doing sketches in the park. _____
2. Clementina spends a lot of time practicing the piano. _____
3. Joe sold a watercolor picture to a man from Peoria. _____
4. Delia has a funny little cough. _____
5. Joe earned eighteen dollars in one week. _____
6. The Minister to Bolivia bought an oil sketch of a railway. _____
7. The Larrabees will have a special lunch to celebrate. _____
8. Joe wants to eat steak instead of oysters. _____

[Chapter 5] An Accident

Before You Read

Look at the chapter heading and illustration. Think about the questions below.

- 1 In this chapter, someone has an accident. Who do you think it will be?
- 2 Look at the illustration on page 20. What do you think Joe is doing?
- 3 What do you think caused the accident?

After You Read

A. Choose the best answer.

What did Delia say burned her hand?

- a. Hot cheese
- b. A hot iron
- c. Boiling water

B. Put the information in the right place.

1. First, ____ 2. Next, ____ 3. After that, ____ 4. In the end, ____

- a. Delia explains that Clementina wanted hot cheese and bread.
- b. Delia talks to Joe about his sketches.
- c. Delia arrives home with a bandaged hand.
- d. Delia tells Joe she burned her hand.

[Chapter 6] Love

Before You Read

Look at the chapter heading and illustration. Think about the questions below.

- 1 The end of this story has a twist. What do you think it might be?
- 2 Look at the illustration on page 23. What is about to happen?
- 3 Was Delia's burn really caused by hot cheese? Why or why not?

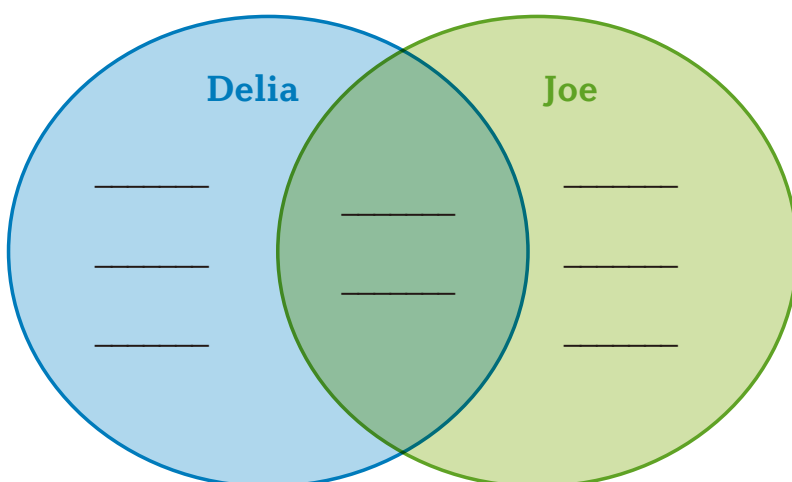
After You Read

A. Choose the best answer.

Where was Joe really working for the past two weeks?

- a. In Mr. Magister's studio
- b. In the laundry's engine room
- c. In General Pinkney's home

B. Put the information in the right place.



- a. got burned with an iron
- b. didn't sell any sketches
- c. lied about a job
- d. got a job ironing shirts
- e. worked at the laundry
- f. got a job firing the engine
- g. sent up cotton waste and oil
- h. couldn't get any students