

Unquiet Graves

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A Before Reading

- 1 Student's own answer. These are possible answers:
a horror story
a romance
a historical story
a ghost story
- 2 Student's own answer. The list may include: a tree, green leaves (ivy), an old coin, a woman's face, mist/fog.

B While Reading

- 3 Frankie: 13 years old, fair hair, British.
Regan: long hair, dark hair, 11 years old, American, pale skin, bright blue eyes.
Tom: British, fair hair, 12 years old.
Jack: British, 13 years old, fair hair brown eyes.
Leo: tall, thin, long hair, beard. (*It is assumed that he is British.*)

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Down:	Across:
Ghost	Gravestone
Ruin	Bird
Evil	Lonely
Vault	Fear
Silently	Mist
Hedge	Tent
Sad	Death
Marsh	Blood
Shadow	Bone
Rotting	Deserted
Red	Terrible
Murder	Porch
Damp	Hanged
	Coffin
	Horror

- 5 Known as the 'improving squire'; murdered in 1778 by a villager from the now deserted village; owned the village; lived in Isenglas Hall; has a tomb with a carving of a wolf, with its foot on the shoulder of a small boy, above the doorway; destroyed the village in order to improve his view of the lake he had created; was hated by the villagers; was rich; was the guardian of Eleanor, a lovely young woman; arranged for her to marry a rich neighbour who was an old man.

Chapter	What she does	What she says	What she looks like or feels
2	– finds a half-coin	‘The dead people can’t hurt me now. There’s something strange about it.’ ‘Don’t touch it. I found it. It’s mine.’ ‘I’ve lost it.’	–strange, angry look –face seems old and evil –voice sounds cold and hard –face looks cruel
3		‘They all hated him.’ ‘He <i>wasn’t</i> a villain.’	
4	–sees a young man who then disappears –takes the half-coin out of Mrs Tinker’s handbag		–feels very cold –feels able to sleep
5	–goes into the water at Eleanor’s Bridge –goes back to the vault to see Hugo’s coffin	‘Eleanor didn’t throw herself from the bridge.’ ‘I’m going down there again.’	
6	–in the vault	‘Frankie isn’t here!’ a deep voice answered. ‘No! No! You won’t capture me.’ ‘There are some bad people down here. I was fighting them, not you.’ ‘You are the the strange person here, not me,’	–very, very angry –face hard and angry –voice full of fear
7	–listens to Edward Musgrave –disappears	‘It was an accident.’	
8	–is found in the graveyard –ignores Tom –is found by the lake, talking to someone who isn’t there –plays “Murder in the Dark” –feels and sees real blood and a real eye –wakes up and sees the boy again	‘They hanged Todd from this terrible tree.’ ‘He’s a friend, a new friend.’ ‘Was it <i>your</i> blood?’	–crying –screams –tears run down her face
9	–sets off to Isenglas Hall at 6.00 a.m. –pulls wood from the door, doesn’t notice when the porch falls down	‘Give me that,’ she screamed. ‘You’re all horrible.’	–stares at her friends angrily
10	–meets the boy (the ghost of Todd) again –talks to Todd		–laughs angrily

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> –sees the hanged body of Todd in the graveyard –talks to the big black bird –buries the half-coin in the graveyard 	<p>‘Yes, I understand.’</p>	
11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> –not hungry, won’t talk to Regan –leaves the tent in the middle of the night –Tom sees a young woman in a long white dress – who then becomes Frankie 	<p>‘Not now. Not in the dark.’</p>	
12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> –walks across an empty space –fights with Regan –sees the house as it was before it was ruined –finds an old chest 	<p>It’s all right now, Todd.’ ‘It’s OK now.’</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> –screams –was very afraid –horror and fear filled her mind –pale –sad eyes

C After Reading

7 Green leaves (ivy): ivy grows on old trees like the one in the graveyard, and on old buildings and ruins like Isenglas Hall.

An old coin: Frankie finds half an old coin which turns out to have belonged to Todd Blakely, whose ghost wants the other half of the coin to be found (Eleanor’s half) in order for the ghosts of the lovers to rest quietly at last.

A woman’s face: this is assumed to be the face of Eleanor.

Mist: mist is seen around the graveyard and the deserted village.

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