

Sample Pages from
Objective Tests
with Answer Keys
for

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An Important Warning: Pages 1-3

Part One

1: Pages 7-15

Write the either **True** or **False** in the blank before each statement.

- _____ 1. Charlotte Doyle, at thirteen, was accused of murder, brought to trial, and found guilty.
- _____ 2. Charlotte's story took place in the year 1832, and her adventure aboard the *Seahawk* began in June.
- _____ 3. Before her experience at sea, Charlotte was a rebellious tomboy with no thought of being a lady.
- _____ 4. Though American born, Charlotte spent her childhood years in England, where her father was an agent for an American business.



- _____ 5. Charlotte did not leave England with her parents and younger brother and sister because her father wanted her to finish the school term at Barrington School for Better Girls.
- _____ 6. In Charlotte's opinion, her father's decision to allow her to cross the Atlantic alone was foolish.
- _____ 7. The Doyle's true home was in Providence, Rhode Island.
- _____ 8. Charlotte kept a daily journal of her voyage because it was something she enjoyed doing.
- _____ 9. The ship Charlotte was to travel on was owned and operated by her father's firm.

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Part One: 2 Pages 16-26



Write either **Yes** or **No** in the blank before each question.

- _____ 1. Did Mr. Keetch, in Captain Jaggery's place, welcome Charlotte aboard and wish her a happy voyage?
- _____ 2. Did Mr. Grummage seem to be concerned for Charlotte's safety when he left the *Seahawk*?
- _____ 3. Did the sailors on the forecastle deck appear to be happy that Charlotte was aboard ship?
- _____ 4. Was Charlotte's trunk aboard when Mr. Keetch lead her to her quarters?
- _____ 5. Was the cabin that Charlotte's father had contracted for only six feet in length, four feet wide, and four and a half feet high?
- _____ 6. Did Charlotte see something crawl over the pillow and blanket that were meant to be a bed?
- _____ 7. Even though it was small, did Charlotte's cabin have a simple chair and a small porthole?
- _____ 8. Was there room in Charlotte's cabin for her trunk?
- _____ 9. Did Barlow warn Charlotte that she shouldn't be alone on the *Seahawk* for the voyage they were about to make?
- _____ 10. Because her father had arranged everything and she had been educated to obey, did Charlotte stay on the ship even though she wanted to leave?
- _____ 11. Alone in her cabin, did the feeling that she had been placed in a coffin cause Charlotte to burst into tears?

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Part One: 3 Pages 27-34

4 Pages 35-41

Write the **letter** of the correct answer in the blank before each question.

- _____ 1. Charlotte decided, upon awakening the first morning on board the *Seahawk*, to (A) leave the ship and go back to Barrington School, (B) talk to the captain about her tiny cabin, (C) have another talk with Zachariah.
- _____ 2. To her shock, Charlotte found that (A) someone had been in her cabin, (B) the captain had not come aboard the *Seahawk*, (C) the *Seahawk* was at sea.
- _____ 3. Charlotte thought the men who assembled on deck were (A) scruffy, but of a friendly nature, (B) like men recruited from the doormat of Hell, (C) the most evil collection of men she had ever seen.
- _____ 4. From his dress and the dignified way he carried himself, Charlotte knew that Captain Jaggery was (A) a gentleman, (B) someone her father would approve of, (C) the most friendly man on board ship.
- _____ 5. Mr. Hollybrass was (A) a cabin boy, (B) the first mate, (C) the man who had chosen the crew.

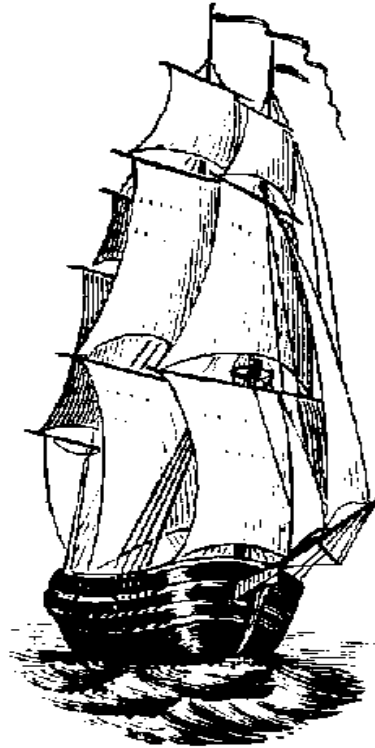


- _____ 6. The captain frowned because (A) the ship was short one crew member, (B) he was not sure that Mr. Keetch was the second mate, (C) Mr. Hollybrass didn't know the name "Cranick."
- _____ 7. Which of the following was **not** something Captain Jaggery said to the crew?
(A) It was a pleasure to see them again, but he had no desire to speak to any of them. (B) There was no democracy on the ship. He was the one master.
(C) Mr. Hollybrass and Mr. Keetch would make most of the decisions during the voyage.
- _____ 8. What was the old saying about the sea that Captain Jaggery said he understood? (A) The sea is a lady of mystery. (B) An extra issue of rum makes a quick passage. (C) No ship sails the same sea twice.

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Part One: 5 Pages 42-51



Captain Jaggery
Zachariah
the dirk
the captain's cabin
glowing with pleasure

the Bible
harsh
his daughter
meals

the crew
a round robin
her father
his eyes and ears

muskets
promenade in the fresh air
her trunk
her cabin

From the list above, choose the name, word, or phrase that fits each of the clues below and write it in the blank. **All answers will be used at least once. Some answers will be used more than once.**

- _____ 1. Like Zachariah, Captain Jaggery told Charlotte to keep this under her mattress.
- _____ 2. Captain Jaggery invited Charlotte to join him for these whenever she wanted.
- _____ 3. Those who signed one of these meant to make dangerous trouble.
- _____ 4. Captain Jaggery reminded Charlotte of him.
- _____ 5. Charlotte thought his tale of Captain Jaggery's violence and cruelty was slanderous and impertinent.
- _____ 6. A rack of these were loaded and locked in a cabinet in the captain's cabin.
- _____ 7. Captain Jaggery said the little girl in the picture Charlotte saw was this.

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WHOLE BOOK TEST



the *Seahawk*
Captain Jaggery
the royal yard
her cabin
August, 1832
the forecandle
a lady

Mr. Fisk
Mr. Hollybrass
Mr. Cranick
the crew
the other passengers
sailor's clothing
a rebellion

Mr. Keetch
Providence, RI
her journal
June, 1832
hammocks
her hair
guns

Zachariah
Charlotte's father
Liverpool, England
September, 1832
hanging
order
Barrington School for
Better Girls
a dirk
a round robin
the hurricane
his daughter
a whip
unnatural

From the list above, choose the name, word, or phrase that fits each of the clues below and write it in the blank. **All** answers will be **used at least once**. **Some** answers will be **used more than once**.

- _____ 1. The *Seahawk* set sail from England to the United States on this date.
- _____ 2. Both the crew, and eventually Charlotte, slept in these.
- _____ 3. He was Charlotte's best friend on board ship.
- _____ 4. It was a sign of a rebellion, designed so that no person's name was on the top or bottom of the list.
- _____ 5. Using this weapon, Charlotte inflicted a gash across Captain Jaggery's cheek.
- _____ 6. He was shot by Captain Jaggery and thrown overboard without a proper service.
- _____ 7. It's figurehead was a hawk, with wings thrust back and a wide-open beak that appeared to be screaming.