

Great Expectations

Journal Questions : Chapters 11 – 19 (5th period)

General Questions

Remember to copy down and underline the underlined portion of each question and to highlight all **“quotes”**. Answer every question in **1 or 2 complete sentences** unless otherwise instructed to simply “list” or “name” particular facts.

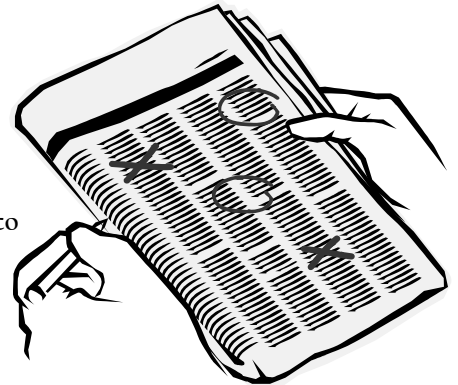
- 1) What do you think it means to be a “gentleman”? *(This is your opinion, not Pip’s or Charles Dickens’s.)*
- 2) In Ch. 11, Estella allows Pip to kiss her. What’s ironic about how Pip feels afterwards?
- 3) One of the recurring themes of the novel is that “the past will continue to influence the present”. Briefly discuss one specific event in Ch. 11-19 that is an example of that theme.
- 4) Pip and Biddy have a long conversation in Ch. 17. List 3 things Pip said that probably shocked, hurt, or at least surprised Biddy.
- 5) Provide a quote from Ch. 11-19 that is an example of Pip’s sense of humor as the story’s narrator.
- 6) Provide a quote from Ch. 11-19 that is a good example of a metaphor.

Creative Writing

Fill up at least **half a page** for each of these.

You don’t need to copy down the prompts for these two items.

- 7) Create a personal ad or social networking page for 16-year old Pip at this point in the story (as he leaves for London in Ch. 19). *(Things to think about: Pip’s personality, likes/dislikes, hobbies, his “type”, etc.)* Feel free to illustrate Pip’s headshot.
- 8) Writing from Joe’s point of view, answer the following question in detail: What are your hopes and dreams for your friend Pip?



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The Quotes

For each quote – write it out and **highlight** it. Each answer should be a minimum of **three complete sentences**. (You don't need to copy down anything in parentheses. It's only there to help you answer more completely.) For each quote:

- Provide the **context** of the quote (how it appears in the story, what it means, who says it, to whom it was said, etc.).
- Explain the **meaning** of the quote. (Is there a hidden or deeper meaning? Why did the character say it?)
- Theorize about the **significance** of the quote (why it's important to the story as a whole).

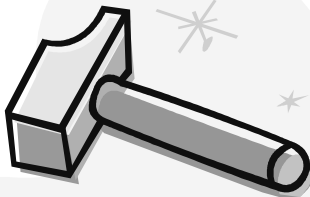
9) “And sharper teeth than teeth of mice have gnawed at me.” (What does Miss Havisham mean?)

10) “You never had a chance before you came here, and see how improved you are!” (include the effect this quote has the person it is spoken to)

11) “I was truly wretched, and had a strong conviction on me that I should never like Joe's trade. I had liked it once, but once was not now.” (Explain how Pip feels here.)

12) “She watched his countenance as if she were particularly wishful to be assured that he took kindly to his reception, she showed every possible desire to conciliate him.”

13) “I fell into much the same confused division of mind ... so often between the forge and Miss Havisham's, and Bidley and Estella.”



14) “Because, if it is to spite her, I should think – but you know best – that might be better and more independently done by caring nothing for her words. And if it is to gain her over, I should think – but you know best – she was not worth gaining over.” (Be thorough in your explanation.)

15) “I am afraid – sore afraid – that this purpose originated in my sense of the contrast there would be between me and Joe ...” (What specifically is Pip thinking about here at the end of Ch. 19?)