

## ELEMENTARY LEVEL

### Frankenstein by Mary Shelley

#### A Before Reading

- 1 This is a horror story.
  - (a) Do you know the names of any other horror stories?
  - (b) Have you seen any horror films? What are their names?
- 2 Here are the people in this story. Put the correct name under the correct picture.

Elizabeth  
Victor's father



The Monster  
Victor's brother, William



Victor Frankenstein  
Henry Clerval



#### B While Reading

- 3 Read to the end of Chapter 2. Write a letter from Victor to Elizabeth. What does Victor tell Elizabeth about his life at university?

- 4 Read to the end of Chapter 4. The Monster says, ‘*All living things hate me.*’ Why does the Monster know that all living things hate him? Make two guesses about what has happened to the Monster.
- (a) I think that .....
- (b) I think that .....
- 5 Read to the end of Chapter 7. Now write the first paragraph of Chapter 8. (Write 6 – 8 sentences.)

### C After Reading

- 6 One day, many years after this story, you go for a walk in the mountains. You find an old book. You look inside. The book is the diary of The Monster. What is in the book? Write three pages from the diary of Frankenstein’s Monster! Give each page a title. Choose three of these titles:

The First Day  
The Old Blind Man  
The Female Monster  
The Death of Elizabeth Frankenstein  
My Revenge on Victor Frankenstein

- 7 (a) Is Victor Frankenstein an evil man? What do you think?  
Give reasons for your answer.  
(b) Is the Monster evil? What do you think? Give reasons for your answer.
- 8 Monsters do not always look like the monster in this story. Think of a monster of your own. Describe your monster. (Make sure it is very frightening!)

*Don't forget there is a cassette recording of **Frankenstein**. There are also two more frightening books at Elementary Level. They are **Tales of Horror** by Bram Stoker and **Room 13 and Other Stories** by M. R. James.*