# Pride and Prejudice by Jane Austen

## I

- She wants her family to know Mr Bingley because she wants him to marry her daughter Jane.
- 2 His unmarried sister, Miss Caroline Bingle;, his married sister, Louisa Hurst, and his friend Mr Fitzwilliam Darcy.
- 3 Because she thinks he is very proud.
- 4 He thinks that Mrs Bennet and her youngest daughters are noisy and rude. But he admires Elizabeth's clever conversation and her beautiful dark eyes.
- 5 Jane, Elizabeth, Mary, Kitty and Lydia.
- 6 (a) Miss Caroline Bingley. (b) Because he had made a compliment about Elizabeth Bennet's eyes. Then Miss Bingley had asked him when she could congratulate him and Elizabeth on their engagement.

## 2

- I To visit Jane, who is ill there.
- 2 Because she thinks that Darcy likes Elizabeth more than her.
- 3 He thinks that vanity is a fault, but that pride is not. He says, 'It is not wrong to be proud of your family and your position in society.'
- 4 Because he comes from a rich and noble family and has a high position in society. Elizabeth's family is not rich and the Bennets do not come from a high position in society. So she has no chance of marrying him.

## 3

- I He is Mr Bennet's cousin. He is tall and fat. Though he is only twenty-five, he looks much older.
- 2 To choose a wife.
- 3 He tells her that Darcy has stopped him becoming a clergyman. Darcy has refused to give him the living at Pemberley.

#### 4

- I He says that Mr Wickham has gone to London because he did not want to meet Darcy.
- 2 Because Sir William thinks that Bingley will marry Jane Bennet. Darcy does not think Bingley should marry her.
- 3 Caroline says that he is the son of a steward. And Mr Bingley says that Wickham has behaved badly.
- 4 Mrs Bennet embarrasses Elizabeth by her rudeness. And Mary embarrasses her by her singing.

#### 5

- I He thinks that all clergymen should be married. He thinks that marriage will make him happier. And most importantly he has been told to marry by his patron, Lady Catherine de Bourgh.
- 2 No.
- 3 Because she hoped that Bingley was going to ask her to marry him.
- 4 She wants a home of her own.

#### 6

- I She thinks that he wanted to marry Jane. But she thinks he allowed his sisters and Mr Darcy to change his mind.
- 2 She says he has no money. She thinks that Elizabeth must make a sensible marriage to someone with money.
- 3 That she did not want to be her friend.

4 A young lady who has just inherited £10 000. Mr Wickham admires her.

## 7

- I She is a tall, large woman with a loud clear voice. She stares at people and behaves rudely.
- 2 Darcy looks towards Elizabeth many times when she is speaking to Colonel Fitzwilliam. And he goes to sit near her when she plays the piano.
- 3 Because Darcy had visited Elizabeth at Charlotte's home.
- 4 Because she knows it must mean that Darcy stopped Bingley from marrying Jane.

## 8

- I Because when he proposed to her, he said he knew it would not be a sensible marriage.
- 2 She knows that he despises her family, and that he stopped Bingley from marrying her sister. And she thinks that he behaved badly to Mr Wickham and made him poor.
- 3 (a) That he knew that Bingley loved Jane, but that he thought that Jane did not love Bingley. (b) That Wickham had behaved badly, although Darcy had given him money. And that Wickham had tried to elope with his sister. His sister was only fifteen and Wickham wanted her money and he wanted revenge on Darcy.
- 4 First angry, then horrified.

## 9

- I Because they think that people will never change their minds about Darcy. And Wickham will be leaving soon.
- 2 Because she is afraid that Lydia will always behave badly if Mr Bennet does not stop her.
- 3 To Derbyshire.

#### 10

- I (a) She says that he is not a very pleasant young man.
  - (b) She says that he is a good-natured and delightful young man.
- 2 They are both polite although they are both embarrassed.
- 3 They can see that Darcy is in love with Elizabeth. They are not sure that Elizabeth is in love with him.
- 4 About his friends in Hertfordshire and about Jane.
- 5 Because she can see that everyone is watching Elizabeth and Darcy. She is jealous.

#### П

- I That Lydia has run away with Wickham.
- 2 He is very kind to her.
- 3 She knows at last that she loves him.

#### 12

- I Mr Gardiner has agreed a settlement with Wickham. His debts will be paid and he will have a little money left. And Lydia will stay with the Gardiners until she is married.
- 2 That Darcy had found Wickham and Lydia in London. And that Darcy had said he would pay Wickham's debts. He would also give him a large amount of money if he married Lydia.
- 3 She believes that Darcy helped them because he is in love with Elizabeth.

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## 13

- I Because he had not said anything to her. She thinks that he does not care for her.
- 2 Because Bingley has asked her to marry him.

## 14

- I She comes to find out if Elizabeth is going to marry Darcy.
- 2 She refuses to answer Lady Catherine's questions. And she refuses to promise never to become engaged to Darcy.

## 15

- Student's own answer. They should mention at least that Darcy proposed marriage to her again and Elizabeth accepted his proposal.
- 2 She is very happy because she is thinking of all Darcy's money.
- 3 Lady Catherine had told Darcy about her meeting with Elizabeth. When Darcy understood that Elizabeth did not dislike him any more, he knew he could ask her to marry him again. So Lady Catherine has helped their engagement.
- 4 Mr Bennet, Kitty, Lydia, Caroline Bingley and the Gardiners. And much later, Lady Catherine. The student might presume that Bingley and Jane visit too, and perhaps Mrs Bennet, although the text does not say so.