

Anne of Green Gables

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Before reading

- 1 Look at all the pictures in the book. What will happen to Anne?
- 2 Using books or the computer, find out about Prince Edward Island.

While reading

Chapter 1

- 3 Match the sentences with the names below.

Matthew Cuthbert Marilla Cuthbert

Mrs. Rachel Lynde Anne Shirley

- a sits by her kitchen window to see the Avonlea road.
- b is busy in her kitchen.
- c doesn't smile much.
- d 's heart isn't very strong.
- e wore an ugly dress.
- f read a story in the newspaper about an orphan.
- g looked at the child in surprise.
- h doesn't say much.
- i thinks Anne is a very good name.
- j thinks Anne is a nice little girl.

- 4 Guess and choose a name. Why do you think that is the right answer?

- a If Anne stays, Matthew / Marilla will buy her a new dress.
- b If Anne stays, Matthew / Marilla will talk to Anne.
- c If Anne stays, Marilla / Mrs. Lynde will not like her because she is an orphan.
- d If Anne stays, Marilla / Mrs. Lynde will ask Anne to help her to cook.
- e If Anne stays, Marilla / Mrs. Lynde will talk badly about her.
- f If Anne stays, it will be Matthew / Marilla's idea.

- 5 Work with another student. Write the conversation. Then, have the conversation. Marilla goes to Mrs. Spencer's house. What does she tell her? And what does Mrs. Spencer tell Marilla?

Chapters 2–3

- 6 What are Anne, Mrs. Blewett, Mrs. Spencer, and Marilla thinking?



- 7 Mrs. Lynde says to Anne that her hair is "as red as carrots." What are the different parts of your body like?

- a My face is as as
- b My eyes are as as
- c My mouth is as as
- d My legs are as as
- e My feet are as as

Then write about somebody you love.

His/Her face is as as

Chapters 4–5

- 8 Use the words *before*, *after*, and *when* to complete the sentences.

- a Anne went to church, she put on her new hat.
- b Marilla was sick, Anne went by herself to church.
- c Anne saw the flowers, she put them on her hat.
- d church, Anne ran back home.
- e Anne and Diana met for the first time, they immediately became best friends.
- f school started, Anne and Diana played every day.
- g school started, Gilbert Blythe came back.
- h Mr. Philips got angry with Anne, Gilbert tried to help her.
- i Anne stood in front of the class all afternoon, she didn't speak to Gilbert again.

- 9 Is it better to study at home or to study at school? Write your ideas and discuss them with your classmates.

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Chapters 6–7

10 Finish the story with words from the box.

cried smiled beautiful good
happy well excited funny wonderful
sad sorry unhappy bad
thirsty drunk sick late

Anne invited Diana for tea. Diana was
a and she drank three glasses of
cordial. Diana didn't feel very **b**
and when she arrived home, she was
c Mrs. Barry said
d things about Anne and Anne
was very **e** One day Minnie
Mae was **f** and the doctor was
g Anne helped Minnie May and
Mrs. Barry was **h** about the fruit
cordial and let Diana and Anne be friends again.
Anne was **i** because Mr. and
Mrs. Allan were coming to tea. She made a
cake and it looked very **j** She felt
very **k** because the table looked
l Mrs. Allan **m**
but when she put the cake in her mouth, she
looked **n** Anne
o in her room. Mrs. Allan told
Anne not to cry because it was a
p mistake. A week later Mrs.
Allan invited Anne to have tea and they had a
q time.

11 Look at Anne on page 38. Get her to stop crying. What can you tell her?

12 There are many stories in Chapters 3–7. Which one do you like best? What do you like about it?

Write a few words about the story you like best and discuss why you like it with the class.

"Anne's Hat"

"The Missing Brooch"

"Anne Breaks a Slate on Gilbert's Head"

"Diana Comes to Tea"

"Minnie May has Croup"

"Anne Makes a Cake"

Chapters 8–9

13 Look at Anne on page 42. She must stop climbing to the top of Diana's house! What can you tell her?

14 Look up the word *poster* in your dictionary. Then make a poster for the Christmas concert.15 Read Elaine's story and discuss it with other students. Who is like Elaine in *Anne of Green Gables*? Why? Is there a Sir Lancelot in the book?

Elaine was in love with Lancelot, one of King Arthur's men, but he loved Guinevere, Arthur's wife. Elaine cried and cried and was so sad that she got into a boat on the river and died of love. The boat carried her to the town of Camelot.

Chapters 10–11

16 Which word is right?

- a** Anne and Gilbert Blythe were the *smartest* / *smallest* in the class.
- b** The Queen's College Class was very *interesting* / *boring*.
- c** The examinations were very *easy* / *difficult*.
- d** Anne's and Gilbert's names were at the *bottom* / *top* in the newspaper.
- e** Anne *enjoyed* / *hated* her time at Queen's College.
- f** Anne did very *well* / *badly* in her examinations.
- g** Gilbert Blythe *can* / *can't* go to college, because his father *doesn't* / *does* have the money.
- h** Matthew was having problems with his *heart* / *face*.
- i** Marilla has to *sell* / *buy* Green Gables.

After reading

17 Watch Kevin Sullivan's *Anne of Green Gables* (1985) and write notes. Is the movie different from the book? Are the changes good or bad?

The people:
The place:
The story:
Good or bad?

18 Make a brochure.

Look up the word "brochure" in your dictionary. With another student, make a brochure for Prince Edward Island. You can draw, use photographs, and tell parts of the story.

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Chapter 1

1 Are these sentences right (✓) or wrong (X)? If the sentence is wrong, write the right answer.

- a Matthew Cuthbert went up the road on his horse in the afternoon. ☐
- b Mrs. Lynde thought it was a good idea to bring a strange child into the house. ☐
- c When Matthew arrived at the station there was only one person there. ☐
- d The child was silent on the way home. ☐
- e Matthew didn't like the child talking all the time. ☐
- f When the orphan girl went to bed she cried and cried. ☐

Chapters 2–3

2 Put Anne's sad story in the right order.

Number the sentences, 1–8.

- a ☐ After Mr. Thomas died in an accident, Mrs. Thomas didn't want Anne any more. So she went to live with Mrs. Hammond.
- b ☐ When Anne was at the orphanage Matthew and Marilla Cuthbert took her home by mistake.
- c ☐ Anne's parents died when she was a baby.
- d ☐ As Mrs. Thomas had four children, Anne helped her with them.
- e ☐ Mrs. Hammond's children were hard work.
- f ☐ So their cleaner, Mrs. Thomas, and her husband took Anne home.
- g ☐ When Marilla saw that Mrs. Blewett wanted her, she decided to keep Anne.
- h ☐ When Mrs. Hammond moved away, Anne had to go to the orphanage.

3 Match the first half of the sentence with the second half.

- a You can stay ... ☐
- b You're a very rude woman ... ☐
- c Please go and say sorry ... ☐
- 1 to Mrs. Lynde.
- 2 and you're fat!
- 3 at Green Gables.

Chapters 4–5

4 Who's who? Write the right name to complete the sentences. You can use one name twice.

Mrs. Lynde Anne and Diana Mr. Philips
Diana The minister The children
The girls at school Marilla Anne

- a made Anne three new dresses.
- b talked for a long time.
- c said that Anne was crazy.
- d lost the brooch.
- e thought of a story about the brooch.
- f was the same age as Anne.
- g met every day.
- h liked Gilbert.
- i didn't listen to Gilbert.
- j told Marilla to leave Anne alone.

Chapters 6–7

5 Underline the mistakes. There is one mistake in each sentence.

- a The bottle of fruit cordial was on the table.
- b The cordial wasn't fruit cordial, it was white wine.
- c Diana was feeling well when she left Anne's house.
- d Mrs. Barry said that Anne was a big bad girl.
- e One day Diana ran in through the door. Her face was very red.
- f Anne put vanilla in the cake.
- g Mrs. Allan thought it was a sad mistake.
- h Anne had a bad time at Mrs. Allan's house.

Chapters 8–9

6 What happened first? Put the sentences in order, 1–14.

- a ☐ She stayed home for several weeks.
- b ☐ She fell down.
- c ☐ Diana had a party.
- d ☐ Anne climbed to the top of the house.
- e ☐ She could not walk.
- f ☐ They climbed up a tree.
- g ☐ A man sold her black hair dye.
- h ☐ She dyed her hair green.
- i ☐ She caught a tree with her hands.
- j ☐ Marilla had to cut Anne's hair.
- k ☐ Anne's arms hurt and she felt tired.
- l ☐ Anne stayed home for a week.
- m ☐ Gilbert pulled Anne into his boat.
- n ☐ Anne got on an old boat.

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Chapters 10–11

7 Are these sentences right (✓) or wrong (✗)?

- a At school Anne was always the first. ☐
- b Anne studied during the vacation. ☐
- c Anne and Gilbert were the best students on the island. ☐
- d Anne cried because Gilbert was her best friend. ☐
- e Gilbert went to Redmond College. ☐