The Maltese Falcon

Book key

1.1 1–2 Open answers

1.2 1 D Effie 2 B Miss Wonderly 3 A Iva
4 E Joel Cairo 5 C Miles Archer

2.1 1 Miles Archer 2 Effie Perine 3 Miss Wonderly
4 Iva 5 Joel Cairo

2.2 1 a ✓ b ✗ c ✗ d ✗ e ✓ f ✗
2 a–b Open answers

2.3 1 Brigid O'Shaughnessy is talking about Floyd Thursby. Her sister is being talked about.
"Your sister / She is well and happy." "I want her / my sister to come home."
2 Possible answers:
a Effie Perine said that Miss Wonderly was beautiful.
b Miles Archer said that he would look after the job himself.
c Sam Spade said that he was going to tell Miles's wife.
d Sam Spade said that he had never seen Thursby, dead or alive.
e Effie Perine said that Sam Spade had been playing games with Iva Archer for a long time.
f Joel Cairo said that he was trying to find something that had been lost.

2.4 Open answers

3.1 Correct order + possible sentence endings:
1 c ... he wants to search Spade's office.
2 h ... he wants to take away Cairo's gun.
3 d ... he wants to make sure that the falcon is not in Spade's office.
4 e ... Cairo insults her (by saying that she wanted "the boy," but couldn't have him).
5 a ... she has hit him.
6 i ... Cairo hit Brigid, and to take his gun.
7 f ... Cairo has screamed while the police are in the apartment.
8 b ... he is afraid of what she will do to him.
9 g ... , she says, Cairo is lying to the police.
10 j ... he knows that Spade is lying, but he can't prove it, so he is very angry.

3.2 Possible answers:
1 ✗ Brigid is not truthful. She has already lied many times to Sam Spade. At their first meeting, she even lied about her name.
2 ✓ Brigid can be violent. She hits Cairo when they are alone, and again when the police arrive.
3 ✓ Brigid is smart. She makes up stories quickly to protect herself from the police.

3.3 1 had gone, sat 2 went, had searched
3 telephoned, had not returned 4 had gone, was

3.4 Open answers (1 Mr. Gutman 2 Iva Archer
3 Effie Perine 4 Brigid O'Shaughnessy 5 The boy)

4.1 1 G. arranges a meeting with Sam Spade at the Alexandria Hotel.
2 Iva says that she sent the police to Spade's apartment because she was jealous.
3 Effie Perine offers to take Brigid O'Shaughnessy to her home to keep her safe.
4 Brigid O'Shaughnessy disappears from a taxi on her way to Effie Perine's house.
5 The boy loses a fight with Sam Spade, who takes his guns.

4.2 Possible answers:
1 ... Spade can't hit a police officer.
2 ... he wants to keep Brigid in his apartment, answering questions.
3 ... he is looking for the falcon.
4 ... G. is in San Francisco, Spade's home town.
5 ... she wanted proof, for a divorce, that he was with a woman.
6 ... she wanted to buy a newspaper.

4.3 1 looking 2 talking 3 planning, taking, leaving
4 lying 5 burning, 6 sleeping

4.4 Open answers

5.1 1 ~~black~~ → red; ~~green~~ → blue;
~~Miles Archer~~ → Floyd Thursby;
~~her money~~ → the falcon
2 ~~tall, thin~~ → short, fat;
~~St. Mark hotel~~ → Alexandria Hotel;
~~find Brigid~~ → get the statue
3 ~~badly-dressed~~ → well-dressed; ~~France~~ → Greece;
~~nothing about~~ → something about,
~~hotel detective~~ → police

5.2 Possible answers:
1 The Maltese Falcon is very valuable. Gutman, Cairo, and Brigid O'Shaughnessy all want it. People have died because of this statue.
2 When Sam Spade find the missing piece from the Call newspaper, he learns about *La Paloma's* arrival from Hong Kong.
3 Sam Spade knows that Brigid O'Shaughnessy was in Hong Kong. He thinks she is visiting *La Paloma.*
4 The ship's captain brings the package to Sam Spade's office. It contains the falcon.

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5.3 **1** might **2** must **3** might **4** must **5** might **6** might

5.4 **1** Mr. Gutman **2** Sam Spade **3** Brigid O'Shaughnessy **4** Wilmer Cook **5** Sam Spade **6** Mr. Gutman

6.1 **1** Gutman ... he knows that Spade has the Maltese Falcon.
2 Sam Spade ... he wants to sell the Maltese Falcon.
3 Wilmer Cook ... Spade threatened to make him a fall-guy.
4 Sam Spade ... he wants the full story.
5 Gutman ... the captain had the Maltese Falcon.

6.2 **1** a **2** i **3** b **4** g **5** c **6** e **7** f **8** h **9** d

6.3 **1** Sam Spade was sent to Burlingame (by Rhea Gutman).
2 Spade thought, "I've been tricked."
3 "I'm not going to be searched (by you)."
4 "Were you questioned at the police station?"
5 Spade will be given $10,000—and Wilmer by Gutman in exchange for the falcon.
6 A $1,000 bill is taken from the envelope.

6.4 Open answers

Talk about it Open answers

Write about it Open answers

Project Open answers (but the other fictional detectives pictured in 1 are Hercule Poirot, Sherlock Holmes, Philip Marlowe, Miss Marple, and Mma Ramotswe)

Discussion activities key

1 Open answers.

2 **Iva:** I think you killed my husband so you could marry me. Oh sweetheart, please say that you did.
Spade: I did not kill Miles. I didn't like him but I didn't shoot him.
I: But you do want to be with me, don't you?
S: I don't understand women, Iva, especially you. We have a good time together and there's nothing more to it than that.
I: How can you say that! I thought you loved me.
S: I don't love anyone or anything except my work.
I: You are a horrible man.

3 List of words: shy, anxious, unsure, nervous, worried, grateful, afraid, sad, well, happy, angry, impatient, wonderful, calm, unworried, uncomfortable, tired, bored, unhappy, sorry, dissatisfied.

4–5 Open answers.

6 Possible words for the game: chubby, raw, rash, leek, blister, shed, meadow etc

7–9 Open answers.

10 **1** Rhodes. **2** Gozo. **3** The Saracens. **4** Golden. **5** One foot. **6** Barbarossa. **7** In 1911. **8** Kemidov.

11 Spade's face was gray after he had drunk the drugged drink. Effie was asleep with her head on the desk/ Spade put the falcon on the desk. Effie wanted Spade to see a doctor. Two inches were missing from the front page of the *Call* newspaper. Brigid had dinner with Captain Jacobi. There was a bullet hole in the wall of the ship. The dead man had been shot through the chest. Effie thought Brigid was in danger at the hotel.

12–13 Open answers.

Activity worksheets key

1
a cotton–wool
b watch–gun
c business–women
d three–four
e forehead–mouth
f secretary–actress
g money–flowers

2 **a** face **b** eyes **c** neck **d** chest **e** toe **f** head **g** hand

3 **a** joke **b** pocket **c** fireplace **d** pale **e** scream **f** beg **g** heel

4
a He was wearing a gray hat and coat.
b Because he had seen the ticket.
c Because he didn't want to see her.
d She hit him with a pistol.
e Because he wanted some information about the murders of Miles and Thursby.
f He told them it belonged to him.
g He hit him on the chin.

5 **a** ✗ **b** ✓ **c** ✓ **d** ✗ **e** ✓ **f** ✗ **g** ✓

6
sleep–deeply
take hold–of
stand–up
go–away
leave–a message
waste–time
pour a–drink
do–business

7
a stone
b under her pillow
c doesn't like her
d very little hair
e took an elevator

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f was following someone
g nervous

8 a 2 b 6 c 3 d 5 e 1 f 4

9 a Spade tried to get up from the floor.
b Effie was sleeping with her head on the desk.
c Effie had a cousin who taught at the University.
d Effie cleaned off the mark on her nose.
e The office door opened and a man came in.
f Spade's hand was covered with the man's blood.
g Spade cut the rope with his pocket-knife.

10 a grateful b clearly c bodyguard d envelope e gunshot f frightened g covered

11 a difficult b exciting c than d saw e took f easier g waited

12 a under b around c out d of e at f beside g between

13 a Rhea Gutman b Spade c Wilmer d Gutman e Cairo f Brigid g Effie

Progress test key

1 a 4 b 3 c 6 d 9 e 1 f 8 g 10 h 7 i 5 j 2

2 a Iva b Cairo c Sid Wise d Spade e Effie f Gutman g Wilmer h Jacobi i Brigid j Polhaus

3 a ✗ b ✗ c ✓ d ✓ e ✗ f ✓ g ✗ h ✓ i ✗ j ✓

4 a Wonderly, Leblanc and O'Shaughnessy.
b Because she thought he wanted to marry her.
c Because they heard Cairo cry for help.
d He worked for Gutman.
e Iva Miles.
f So people wouldn't recognize its value and it wouldn't be stolen.
g A large, dark mark.
h He read it in a newspaper.
i In the package room at the Post Office.
j Jacobi, the captain of *La Paloma*.

5 a honest
b two hundred
c boyfriend
d office
e had many owners
f daughter
g Cairo's room
h house
i matches
j metal

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