Persuasion

Book key

1–2 Open answers

3 a Sir Walter Elliot b Mary c Lady Russell
d Mrs Croft e Captain Wentworth f Anne Elliot

4 a This is the home of the Elliot family. They have to move away because of Sir Walter's problems with money.
b Sir Walter wants to move to Bath when he leaves Kellynch Hall. Anne doesn't like Bath.

5 a Lady Russell is talking about Mr Shepherd. He is going to help Sir Walter with his money problems.
b Anne is talking about Captain Wentworth. His sister is going to live at Kellynch Hall, so perhaps he will visit her there.
c Anne is talking to Captain Wentworth many years before the start of the story. He wants to marry her. She listens to her father's and Lady Russell's persuasion and says 'no'.

6–7 Open answers

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

9 a right b wrong c right d wrong e right

10–11 Open answers

12 a Mrs Harville b Captain Benwick c Mr Elliot
d Louisa e Charles f Anne

13 a puts his arms round Louisa.
b help Henrietta.
c help Wentworth with Louisa.
d gets a doctor.
e take Louisa into their house.
f says, 'She is dead!'

14 Possible answer:
He is about thirty years old. He has a nice face, but he isn't handsome. He is very polite and very rich. He arrived in Lyme by ship. He is going to Bath and then London. He thinks that Anne is beautiful. He is Anne's cousin. When Sir Walter dies, he will be the head of the Elliot family.

15–16 Open answers

17 a like b Mr Elliot c likes d doesn't want
e not rich f Captain Benwick g happy
h doesn't like

18 a Anne is talking about Mr Elliot. He is suddenly interested in her family, and she doesn't understand this.
b Mary is writing to Anne about Captain Benwick's love for Louisa and their plans.
c Anne is talking about Mr Elliot. She doesn't love him. She wants Captain Wentworth to know that.

19–20 Open answers

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

22 a wrong b right c right d wrong e wrong

23–31 Open answers

Discussion activities key

1 Students can see a man and a woman surrounded by flowers. They should guess that the story takes place in England (or Europe) in the past.

2–4 Open answers

5 Possible answer:
The story is called *Persuasion* because many people try to persuade Anne throughout the book.

6–14 Open answers

15 Possible answer:
Anne feels happy when she reads Mary's letter and finds out that Louisa isn't going to marry Captain Wentworth. I think she feels this way because she loves Captain Wentworth and wants to marry him.

16–18 Open answers

19 Possible answer:
Bath
Kellynch
Lyme
Somersetshire
Taunton
Uppercross

Activity worksheets key

1 Open answers

2 a Anne's cousin / Anne's friend / the man Anne wants to marry
b Anne's sister
c Anne's good friend
d Anne's sister
e Anne's father

3 a ✗ b ✓ c ✗ d ✓ e ✗ f ✓ g ✗ h ✗

4 Open answers

5 a Charles's sister b Charles's sister
c Charles's wife d Charles's parents

6 Open answers

7 a Mary b Captain Wentworth c Anne
d Mary's child / Walter e Anne
f Admiral Croft g Admiral Croft h Mrs Croft

8 Open answers

9 a Lyme b friend c gentleman / man
d beautiful e loved f cousin g cut h head

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10 Open answers

11 **a** Seventeen miles.
b The Cobb.
c About thirty years old.
d Because she doesn't catch Captain Wentworth's hand.
e To Captain Harville's little house.
f For two or three weeks.
g To Sir Walter and Elizabeth's new house in Bath.
h Mr Elliot.

12 Open answers

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

14–15 Open answers

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

17–20 Open answers

Progress test key

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

2 **a** Mary **b** Charles **c** Anne **d** Mary
e Captain Wentworth **f** Captain Wentworth
g Anne **h** Charles / Mary

3 **a** Yes **b** Yes **c** No **d** Yes **e** No **f** Yes
g Yes **h** Yes

4 **a** rich **b** likes **c** talking **d** school **e** dead
f illness **g** navy **h** marry **i** teashop **j** long
k weather **l** anything

5 **a** Anne wants to tell Mrs Smith about the **evening** at the theatre.
b Mrs Smith is **happy** to hear that Anne isn't going to marry Mr Elliot.
c Mrs Smith thinks Mr Elliot is a **cold** man.
d Elizabeth talks about giving a big **dinner**.
e Anne's face is **white** after she reads Captain Wentworth's letter.
f Charles can't walk with Anne because he must go and look at a new **gun**.
g Anne and Captain Wentworth are very **happy** when they arrive back at Camden-place.
h Anne and Captain Wentworth are to be married in the **spring**.

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