

## Marley &amp; Me

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## While reading

## Chapters 1–2

## 1 Circle the right word or words.

- a The Labrador puppies were *five days / weeks* old.
- b Jenny's sister wanted to visit Disney World with her *parents / children*.
- c John got Marley from Lori's house in the *evening / morning*.
- d John's bedroom was *above / not near* the garage.
- e A dog called Buddy had *fleas / chemicals* in his fur.
- f At first, Marley was very *excited / sad* when Jenny came back from hospital.
- g Marley put his head on Jenny's *feet / legs*.

## 2 Put the words in the right place to make a sentence.

- a dog very Shaun a was obedient  
.....
- b John's A shoes puppy over little climbed  
.....
- c heard woods a They in noise the  
.....
- d the some John on floor put newspapers  
.....
- e loved his things mouth Marley to in hold  
.....
- f strong the Jenny house chemicals cleaned with  
.....
- g fur face Jenny her put Marley's in  
.....

## Chapters 3–4

## 3 Are the sentences right (✓) or wrong (X)?

- a Jenny didn't go with her husband to the first obedience class. [ ]
- b It was easy for John to put a chain over Marley's head. [ ]
- c Marley didn't like thunderstorms or loud noises. [ ]
- d Jenny drove the car when Marley tried to get out of it. [ ]
- e Jenny and John went on vacation to Ireland for a month. [ ]
- f Kathy didn't enjoy her stay in John and Jenny's house. [ ]
- g Marley slept in Patrick's bedroom. [ ]

## 4 Find the right words in Chapters 3–4.

- a You do this to food when you eat. (p. 8)  
.....
- b The most important person in a group. (p. 9) .....
- c Dogs and people do this with their noses. (p. 12) .....
- d You put things in this before you go on vacation. (p. 13) .....
- e Some people wear this around their necks. (p. 14) .....
- f A place where people put their cars. (p. 15)  
.....
- g A word that means very, very good. (p. 16)  
.....

## Chapters 5–6

## 5 Underline the wrong word and put the right one.

- a The young girl's coat was red and wet.  
.....
- b Marley loved to drink water from the bath.  
.....
- c Jenny had a sister called Anita.  
.....
- d Conor was happy after he drank Jenny's milk.  
.....
- e Marley's name came at the start of the film.  
.....
- f A lot of dangerous people lived in Boca Raton. ....
- g When John and Jenny came home, Marley was never in his cage. ....

## 6 What's first? Number the sentences, 1–6.

- a [ ] Jenny starts hitting Marley.
- b [ ] John buys a dog cage from a pet store.
- c [ ] A man cuts a girl with a knife.
- d [ ] John and Jenny move to a new house in Boca Raton.
- e [ ] John buys the movie *The Last Home Run*.
- f [ ] Jenny has to go to the hospital because the baby is coming.

## 7 Finish the sentences with the right words.

- through with down in over about for
- a A bad man ran away ..... the street.
  - b The man put his hand ..... the girl's mouth.

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- c The baby had problems ..... Jenny's milk.
- d John had to think ..... his wife and children.
- e A friend of Jenny's worked ..... a film company.
- f Colleen's boss was interested ..... Marley.
- g Marley chewed ..... his leash.

## Chapters 7–8

## 8 Answer the questions.

- a What did Marley see across the street near the restaurant?  
.....
- b Why did Marley poop in the ocean?  
.....
- c Why were the children very excited?  
.....
- d Why did Jenny want to get some chickens?  
.....
- e Where did the chickens live?  
.....
- f How many bowls of food did Marley eat every day? .....
- g Where did Marley eat a sandwich from a table? .....

9 Put the underlined letters in the right place to make a word.

- a The women in the town carried their dogs in their ahnsdabg .....
- b The oscemrsut ..... in the restaurant had their mouths open.
- c The people around the pool were John's friends and hseonrgib .....
- d The dog called Killer looked gudoenras .....
- e John couldn't see any moncieple ..... on the beach.
- f The trwhaee ..... in Florida was always hot.
- g John and Jenny's new home was very tlefbuaiu .....

## 10 Put a word or words on the left with a word or words on the right.

rich	weak
expensive	dry
strong	intelligent
stupid	poor
worst	thin
wet	quiet
loud	cheap
fat	best

## Chapters 9–10

## 11 Write the names next to the person who says or thinks this.

Jenny Marley John doctor Colleen  
Jenny's sister Conor

- a "I don't think I can climb those stairs."  
.....
- b "Come and visit me in Boston."  
.....
- c "I'm going to sleep next to my dog tonight."  
.....
- d "Look at these pictures. He is a very sick dog."  
.....
- e "I'm going to write a letter for our dog."  
.....
- f "This is a picture of my dog and me"  
.....
- g "There is an ad for a dog in the newspaper."  
.....

## 12 Circle the wrong word in the sentences.

- a When Marley was old, he couldn't hear nothing anything.
- b Marley couldn't move quickly quick because of his hips.
- c John wanted to working work for a good newspaper.
- d The children were very exciting excited about the visit to Disney World.
- e John put his arms around through Jenny and they cried.
- f Much Many people read about John's dog in the newspaper.
- g In some ways, life without Marley was easier easiest.

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### 13 Find the right words in Chapters 9–10.

- a People wear this when the weather is cold.  
(p. 31) .....
- b There are a lot of trees in this place. (p. 32)  
.....
- c It's a name for a very young dog. (p. 34)  
.....
- d It's a place where people work. (p. 35)  
.....
- e People write this and send it to other people.  
(p. 36) .....

f A place in a house where people cook food.  
(p. 37) .....

g A word that means the same as crazy. (p. 38)  
.....

### 14 Choose three words from Chapters 9–10 and change the letters around and write them below, for example: *teeth* – *tethe*. Change your paper with a friend. Who can find the words first?

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### 1 What's first? Number the sentences 1–10.

- a [ ] A friend of John's, Kathy, comes to stay with Marley.
- b [ ] John gets a new job and the family move to Pennsylvania.
- c [ ] The boss of Jenny's friend, Colleen, wants to make a movie with Marley.
- d [ ] John puts Marley in a black bag, and under two fruit trees.
- e [ ] Marley falls down the stairs.
- f [ ] John and Jenny call their new dog Marley.
- g [ ] Marley's fur starts to fall out.
- h [ ] John and Jenny's first child, Patrick, is born.
- i [ ] A lot of people come to John's birthday party.
- j [ ] Marley has to leave the dog obedience classes.

### 2 Answer these questions.

- a Who did Jenny go to Disney World with?  
.....
- b Why did the dog teacher say Marley couldn't come back to class? .....
- c Why did some car drivers look at John and Jenny angrily? .....
- d What did John look for in Marley's poop?  
.....
- e Why did John tell Jenny to call the police?  
.....
- f Why did Jenny have to stay in hospital for twelve days? .....
- g What was the name of John and Jenny's daughter?  
.....
- h Who called John when he was in a bar with his friend? .....
- i What color was Marley's fur when he was twelve years old? .....
- j Where did the doctor say Marley had a bad problem? .....

### 3 Are these sentences right (✓) or wrong (X)?

- a John and Jenny waited three weeks before they brought Marley home. [ ]
- b A doctor thought the flea chemicals were OK. [ ]
- c Marley had a fight with another dog in the obedience class. [ ]
- d When they went on vacation, John and Jerry stayed in expensive hotels. [ ]

- e A man cut a girl with a knife and she died. [ ]
- f John tried to give Marley to his friends and neighbors. [ ]
- g The rich people's dogs in Boca Raton were very obedient. [ ]
- h John had his fortieth birthday party in a bar. [ ]
- i Marley didn't like playing in the snow in Pennsylvania. [ ]
- j John and Jenny had Marley for thirteen years. [ ]

### 4 Finish the sentences with the right word.

took wrote felt bought broke slept stood  
put gave fell

- a John ..... a plant for his wife Jenny.
- b Marley tried to climb on John but he  
..... on the floor.
- c Marley ..... a lot of things in the house.
- d John ..... very happy because he was the boss.
- e John ..... Jenny to the hospital to have her baby.
- f Jenny ..... at the door with the baby in her arms.
- g John ..... Marley a bowl of water after his walk.
- h John ..... a leash around Marley's neck.
- i When Marley was old, he ..... for most of the day.
- j John ..... to a newspaper and got a new job.

### 5 Circle the right word or words.

- a Jenny worked *for* a newspaper / *in* a store.
- b The dog teacher had a *pretty* / *cold* face.
- c There was a big problem with Marley *on* a road / *in* a neighbor's house.
- d Jenny's second baby started to come when she was *at the beach* / *in* a restaurant.
- e Marley was in the movie for a *long* / *short* time.
- f Marley got out of his cage because *he was smart* / *the door wasn't closed*.
- g After Marley pooped in the water, John *only took him to Dog Beach* / *didn't take him to any beach*.
- h Marley was a very *expensive* / *cheap* dog to have.
- i Marley had a problem with his *nose* / *hips*.
- j Everybody in the hospital was *angry with* / *loved* Marley.