

Sanditon Quiz at San Francisco

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Part I: Who is Described?

1. “He is a warm friend to Sanditon . . . and his hand would be as liberal as his heart, had he the power.” _____

2. “. . . she sat with salts in her hand, took drops two or three times from one, out of the several phials already at home on the mantelpiece,—and made a great many odd faces and contortions. . . .” _____

3. “He lives too much in the world to be settled; that is his only fault.—He is here and there and everywhere.” _____

4. “. . . they were very accomplished and very ignorant . . . they were some of the first in every change of fashion—and the object of all, was to captivate some man of much better fortune than their own.” _____

5. “. . . a very obliging, friendly neighbour; a cheerful, independent, valuable character, and her faults may be entirely imputed to her want of education.” _____

6. “They were older in habits than in age.” _____

7. “A good deal of earthly dross hung about him.” _____

8. “. . . one, who had been so low in every worldly view, as with all natural endowments and powers, to have been preparing for a situation little better than a nursery maid.” _____

9. “. . . she was a very sober-minded young lady, sufficiently well-read in novels to supply her imagination with amusement, but not at all unreasonably influenced by them. . . .” _____

10. “. . . a fine young woman, but cold and reserved, giving the idea of one who felt her consequence with pride and her poverty with discontent. . . .” _____

11. “[They] did not seem to feel the storms last winter at all.”

12. “. . . a gentle, amiable, sweet-tempered woman . . . so entirely waiting to be guided on every occasion. . . .”

Part II: True or False?

1. _____ The Heywoods had four children.
2. _____ Lady Denham was about 30 when she married her first husband, Mr. Hollis.
3. _____ William Heeley’s, the boot shop in Sanditon, displayed blue shoes.
4. _____ Sir Edward Denham’s cottage *ornée* was being run up on a strip of waste land he had purchased from Mr. Parker.
5. _____ Diana Parker treated her appetite by taking bitters of her own decocting.
6. _____ Willingden was “down in the Weald.”
7. _____ Sanditon was one mile nearer to London than Eastbourne was.
8. _____ Arthur Parker drank a special herbal tea every evening.

Part III: Who Said?

1. “I am always best of an evening.—If you had seen me to-day before dinner, you would have thought me a very poor creature.—” _____
2. “. . . one loves to look at an old friend, at a place where one has been happy.” _____
3. “The man who cannot do justice to the attributes of woman is my contempt.” _____
4. “. . . your letter . . . found me suffering under a more severe attack than usual of my old grievance, spasmodic bile and hardly able to crawl from my bed to the sofa.” _____
5. “And I do believe *those* are the best off, that have fewest servants.” _____

6. "Every five years, one hears of some new place or other starting up by the sea, and growing the fashion.—How they can half of them be filled, is the wonder!" _____
7. "I feel that in any illness, *I* should be so anxious for professional advice, so very little venturesome for myself, or anybody I loved!" _____
8. "I like to have my friends acquainted with each other. . . ." _____

Part IV: Write the Letter of the Correct Answer In the Blank

1. _____ Mrs. Griffiths' party settled at: (a) Waterloo Crescent (b) Trafalgar House (c) The Terrace Corner House (d) The Sanditon Hotel
2. _____ Of whom did Sir Edward Denham say: "He was all ardour and truth!—His genius and his susceptibilities might lead him into some aberrations—But who is perfect?" (a) Scott (b) Burns (c) Montgomery (d) Wordsworth
3. _____ Lady Denham had brought Clara Brereton to Sanditon from London the preceding: (a) Christmas (b) Michaelmas (c) Easter
4. _____ and _____ Mr. Parker had consulted which **two** of these newspapers before setting off for Willingden in search of a physician? (a) *The London Times* (b) *The Morning Post* (c) *The Kentish Gazette* (d) *The Sussex Reporter*
5. _____ Diana Parker had applied which remedy to the sprained foot of her friend's [Mrs. Sheldon's] coachman? (a) leeches (b) warm salt water (c) friction (d) lambskin wraps
6. _____ Charlotte Heywood's visit to Sanditon commenced in the month of: (a) May (b) June (c) July (d) August
7. _____ Sir Edward's great object in life was to be: (a) well-married (b) seductive (c) prosperous (d) a poet
8. _____ Mr. Parker described which of the following places as "lying, as it does between a stagnant marsh, a bleak moor and the constant effluvia of a ridge of putrifying sea weed." (a) Brighton (b) Weymouth (c) Brinshore (d) Tunbridge Wells

Tie-Breaker Questions

1. The Parkers' former home was located within _____ miles of the sea.
2. What kind of awning did the Parkers have at their new house?

3. Fill in the missing words from the following statement by Mr. Parker: "Who can endure a _____ in October?"
4. What was Lady Denham's age at the time of Charlotte's visit?

5. Fill in the missing words from the following statement by Sir Edward Denham: "The mere _____ of the common circulating library, I hold in the highest _____."
6. Between Diana Parker and Mrs. Griffiths there was "Only a *short* chain, you see . . . and not a link wanting." Fill in the links in the chain: Diana Parker

Mrs. Griffiths

Winners of the quiz were Susannah Fullerton of Paddington, NSW, Australia, President of the Jane Austen Society of Australia; Mary Alice Kauffman of Chesapeake Beach, MD, and Carol Ann Krug of Campbell, CA.