Penguin Readers Answer Key

Alice in Wonderland

Answers to Book activities

1 Open answers
2 a tears  b key  c rabbit  d vanishes  e Duchess  f race  g hole  h mouse  i polite  j centimetres
3 Open answers
4-6 Open answers
6 Open answers
7 caterpillar  hare pig
8 a Because she drinks from a bottle and gets bigger. She gets out by eating a cake which makes her small again.
b The caterpillar tells her that if she eats his mushrooms, she will get bigger, but if she eats the brown mushroom, she will get smaller. Alice eats pieces of both mushrooms and returns to her normal size.
c She meets the Cheshire Cat who can smile and vanish and a baby that turns into a pig.
9 Open answers
10 Open answers
11 a You eat a tart. b In a trial people decide whether someone is guilty of a crime.
12 a The Mad Hatter says this to Alice at the tea party. b The March Hare says this to Alice at the tea party.
c The Queen eats this to the Knave of Hearts in the garden. d The King says this to the Queen in the garden.
e The cook says this to the King in the house. f Alice says this to the Queen in the house.
g Alice thinks about her cat, Dinah.
h Alice gets smaller.
i Alice opens a very small door with the key.
j Alice thinks about her cat, Dinah.
k Alice gets smaller.
l First she is too big. Then, after she drinks from the bottle, she can't get the key because it is on the table.

Chapter 2 & 3

1 a) the White Rabbit  b) the Mouse  c) the Mouse and some birds and animals  d) the Mouse and the birds and animals  e) the Dodo  f) a Caucus race  g) the Dodo  h) Dinah

2 Possible answers:
(a) Alice is more than three metres tall so she can't go through the little door.
(b) There is a lot of water everywhere because Alice cries big tears.
(c) Alice gets smaller again when she has got the White rabbit's hat.
(d) The Mouse is angry because Alice talks about her cat Dinah.
(e) The other animals get out of the water when Alice and the Mouse get out.
(f) The Dodo says he has got a baby in his arms.
(g) The Dodo starts the Caucus race because all the animals are cold.
(h) After the race, Alice cries again because she wants to see her cat Dinah.

Chapter 4

1 a) The White Rabbit says this. He is talking about his lost hat.
b) Alice says this when she is in the room in the house.
c) The White Rabbit says this. He is talking about Alice's arm.
d) Alice says this. Something hits her arm.
2 a) She is outside in the country. She is not in the room.
b) It's the White Rabbit's house.
c) She wants to get bigger.
d) They can see Alice's arm. It is outside the window.
(e) The White Rabbit and his friend Pat. They want Alice to get out of the room. The cake will make her smaller. Then she can get out of the room.

Chapter 5

1 (a) Alice thinks she is now a different person because she changes all the time. Now she different from this morning.
(b) Alice is angry with the caterpillar because it asks difficult questions and it's not friendly.
(c) Alice can't remember 'You are old Father William' because she is different now and she can't remember things.
(d) The caterpillar gets angry with Alice because she says seven centimetres is too small. Perhaps the caterpillar is seven centimetres.
(e) Alice can't go inside the house in the wood because she is too big. She is her right size now.
2 Yes, it is helpful because it tells Alice about the white and brown mushrooms. Now she can change her size when she wants to.

Chapter 6

Possible answers:
(a) The Duchess is ugly.
(b) In the Duchess' house are the Duchess, a baby, a cook and a cat.
(c) The Duchess has got a baby in her arms.
(d) The Duchess throws the baby at Alice.
(e) The Duchess goes out of the room without her baby.
(f) The baby changes into a pig.
(g) Alice doesn't want to meet the Mad Hatter and the March Hare.
(h) The Cheshire Cat vanishes four times.
(i) The Cheshire Cat's smile vanishes last.
(j) At the end of this chapter Alice gets bigger again.

Chapter 7

1 Possible answers:
(a) They tell Alice that she can't sit down but there are a lot of places.
(b) The Mad Hatter says 'I have some wine but there isn't any tea.'
(c) The Mad Hatter is angry with the March Hare because the March Hare put butter in the Mad Hatter's watch.
(d) The Mad Hatter's watch gives the day but it doesn't give the time.
(e) The Mad Hatter doesn't have to know the time because it's always tea time.
(f) They move round the table from place to place because they don't have time to wash the cups.
(g) The March Hare says to Alice 'I have some more tea, but she hasn't got any tea.'
(h) Alice says she can't have more tea when she hasn't got any but the Mad Hatter says she can
(i) Alice is angry and walks away from the tea party but they don't ask her back.
2 Open answers

Chapter 8

(a) The three gardeners are making the white flowers red.
(b) The Queen likes saying 'Cut off his (or her) head!'
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(c) The Knave of Hearts moves the gardeners with his foot.
(d) Alice puts the gardeners behind some trees.
(e) The White Rabbit tells Alice that the Duchess will lose her head.
(f) The Cheshire Cat doesn’t like the King.
(g) The King wants to cut off the Cheshire cat’s head.
(h) The Duchess takes Alice with her for a walk through the garden.

Chapter 9 and 10
Possible answer:
The trial of the Knave of Hearts is in a large room. The White Rabbit reads from a long paper. He says that the Knave of Hearts took some tarts. The Mad Hatter has to answer the King’s questions first. After the questions, the Hatter runs away so the King and Queen can’t cut off his head. Then Alice starts to get bigger and the Mouse has to move to a different place. After the Duchess’s cook speaks, Alice has to answer questions but now she is very tall. When she stands up, everyone and everything falls everywhere. Alice says she will not leave the room and she tells the Queen that she is stupid. Then all the cards come down on top of Alice and she wakes up. She tells her sister about Wonderland. Then they go home for tea.

Activities after reading the book
Open answers