



**Q1) Read the following passage and answer the questions given below:**

The first people I can remember in my life are my mother and our servant, Peggotty. Peggotty had no shape at all. Her arms were very hard and her cheeks were as red as apples. I was surprised that the birds didn't come and try to eat her.

One night when Peggotty and I were sitting by the fire, the bell rang. We went to the door. My mother was there and with her was a gentleman, Mr. Murdstone. Gradually I got to see him regularly but I never liked him.

One evening, Peggotty asked if I would like to go to Yarmouth with her for two weeks. The place was located near the sea and her brother lived there along with his family. I replied that it would be great fun. We stayed there for two weeks. I met Emily and Ham and spent a wonderful time. When I returned back home, Mr. Murdstone had married my mother and he had now become my step-father.

The sight of him and his sister Miss Murdstone frightened me so much that I was unable to remember my lessons and it made them both upset. One day he got so angry that he took me upstairs and twisted my head under his arm, and struck me hard with the cane. In the same instant I seized his hand between my teeth and bit into it. He beat me then as if he wished to kill me. Then he left me, and locked the door outside.

My childhood wasn't easy then. After my mother's death I had to work at a bottle factory, Murdstone and Grinby's. It was a strange old building by the river. It had rotten floor and stairs, dirt and squeaking rats everywhere. Unhappy and hopeless, I left for Dover, where my aunt Miss Betsy Trotwood lived. She was an old lady and helped me with my education and career. She also provided me with the necessities of life and provided shelter. After completing my education, I joined Spenslow and Jorkins, a law firm owned by Mr. Spenslow.

1. What kind of a step father is Mr. Murdstone? How did he behave with David and his mother?
2. How did Betsy Trotwood help David in improving his life?
3. Who was Peggotty and where did she take David to?
4. What was David's first workplace? Describe the place in your own words.
5. Which law company did David join after completing his studies?

## Q2. Fill in the blanks:

1. David's \_\_\_\_\_ died before he was born.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ was Peggotty's nephew, who lived in Yarmouth.
3. David was sent to \_\_\_\_\_ by Mr. Murdstone.
4. \_\_\_\_\_ tied a note 'Be careful. He bites' at David's back.
5. David initially started to work at a bottle factory called \_\_\_\_\_.
6. Betsy Trotwood lived in \_\_\_\_\_.
7. Mr. Spewlow had a beautiful daughter named \_\_\_\_\_.
8. \_\_\_\_\_ was a friend of David Copperfield at Salem House.
9. David was beaten by his step father, Mr. Murdstone because \_\_\_\_\_.
10. Mrs. Gummidge was living in \_\_\_\_\_ with Peggotty's family.

## Q3. State whether True or False:

1. Mr. Creakle treated David very kindly. \_\_\_\_\_
2. Dr. Strong was the owner of the School of Canterbury. \_\_\_\_\_
3. Peggotty was a pretty woman with a lovely face. \_\_\_\_\_
4. J. Steerforth misbehaved with Mr. Mell at Salem House. \_\_\_\_\_
5. Dora was Mr. Wickfield's daughter. \_\_\_\_\_
6. Rosa Dartle was Mrs. Steerforth's companion. \_\_\_\_\_
7. Uriah Heep always had dry trembling hands. \_\_\_\_\_
8. Dr. Strong was willing to hire David Copperfield as his secretary. \_\_\_\_\_
9. Dora's aunts lived in Putney. \_\_\_\_\_
10. The Micawbers finally moved to Paris. \_\_\_\_\_

## Q4. Make sentences:

1. Apologized
2. Successful
3. Threatened
4. Pleasant
5. Tremendous
6. Mysterious