

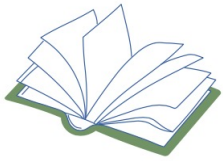


The Viaduct Cup

Chapter 9

Worksheet





Read Chapter 9

Dad is sentenced to twelve months with hard labour.

Can you research what prisons were like in the early twentieth century? What does hard labour mean?

Kit and her family get evicted from their home because they can't afford the rent. Their mother takes them to the workhouse.

Why does she do this? What other options did she have?

Can you research the history of workhouses? Was there a workhouse in your town? Who lived in these places and why did they end up there? Why do we not have them today?

Do you think Kit and her brother Bernie were scared when they arrived? How would you feel if you were taken into a place like the workhouse?

Kit meets an orphan called Ned who helps her settle in. How important was it for Kit to find a friend in the workhouse?

Bernie is challenged to a penalty shootout by Eric Longstaff.

Why do you think Eric made this challenge?





Chapter 9 Activity

Workhouses had very strict routines. Can you write a timetable for the jobs and activities that the inmates would follow?

