

The Last Juror

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While reading

Chapters 1–2

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

- a ☐ Danny says some bad things to the jurors.
- b ☐ Danny's car turns over.
- c ☐ The jurors stay in a hotel.
- d ☐ Rhoda dances with a man in a bar.
- e ☐ Ernie Gaddis asks Mr. Deece a question.
- f ☐ Danny Padgitt's trial starts.

2 Finish the sentences with the right words.

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- a Rhoda to Mr. Deece before she died.
- b An animal across the road in front of the car.
- c The people in Clanton away from the Padgitt family.
- d Harry Rex some of the jurors.
- e The lawyer Danny's girlfriend.
- f Danny very guilty in the court room.
- g A policeman Danny out of the room.

Chapters 3–4

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

Waitress Sheriff Willie Traynor Darla Clabo

Hank Hooten Harry Rex Esau

- a "It is possible Danny will come out of jail before ten years."
- b "There is a crazy person on the top of the courthouse."
- c "I'm not going to stop shooting."
- d "Danny was in Parchman jail but now he is Broomfield jail."
- e "They often come in and eat here."
- f "Miss Callie can't sleep at night."
- g "There will be a police car outside your house each night."

4 Find the right words in Chapters 3–4.

- a This person works with animals. (p. 14)
- b A married man. (p. 14)
- c Not interesting. (p. 15)
- d People work in this place. (p. 15)
- e Not thin. (p. 16)
- f Not happy. (p. 17)
- g People eat this animal. (p. 19)

Chapter 5

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

- a There was a lmcpanieo outside Room 25.
- b Lenny's etpsanr were at the church.
- c Lenny's mother dnievit Willie to lunch.
- d Willie and Lenny's family had a syncretonaoi about Danny.
- e The Padgitt family were ensodgaur people.
- f The men at the parole hearing mrdeemberee Willie.
- g People read the newspaper story and beyedrvo talked about it.

6 Answer the questions.

- a What day did Willie's friend phone him?
- b Why couldn't the sheriff go to the first parole hearing?
- c Where was the parole hearing?
- d How many men were at the table in the parole hearing?
- e Who was in a wheelchair?
- f How many men wanted parole in the second hearing?
- g Who invited Willie to dinner?

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Chapters 6–7

7 Put words on the left with words on the right.

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| make | game |
| play a | tea |
| sit | shirt |
| find a | drive |
| fall to | problem |
| wear a | again |
| go for a | outside |
| try | the ground |

8 Are these sentences right (✓) or wrong (X)?

- a Lenny's father was at home when somebody shot his son. ☐
- b Miss Callie knew Lenny very well. ☐
- c Sam put a gun under his chair. ☐
- d Mo Teale worked on the machine for a long time. ☐
- e Mo Teale's friend didn't see the killer. ☐
- f There were a lot of people in Maxine Root's yard. ☐
- g Somebody wanted to pay a lot of money for Willie's newspaper. ☐

Chapters 8–9

9 Circle the wrong word in the sentences.

- a Willie was boring bored with his job.
- b The jurors couldn't remember remembered everything at the trial.
- c Lenny couldn't get about out of his wheelchair.
- d Willie heard Maxine crying cried on the phone.
- e A mailman carried a big and heavier heavy box to Maxine's house.
- f Maxine wanted to thanking thank her sister for the candy.
- g Anybody Everybody in the town heard the very loud noise.

10 Underline the wrong word and put the right one.

- a There were some policeman at Miss Callie's front door.
- b There were some papers on the table.
- c Somebody heard the juror's conversation.
- d Eight of the jurors wanted the death penalty.

- e Miss Callie looked afraid when she came out of the kitchen.
- f Harry Rex wanted Willie to buy the *Times*.
- g Maxine Root's family looked very sad in the courtroom.

11 Finish the sentences with the right words.

- cut look broke met know made hit
- a Sam Willie and took him into the house.
- b The jurors notes at the trial.
- c Danny didn't the names of the three jurors.
- d The Sheriff couldn't arrest Danny but he could after Maxine.
- e The glass from the windows Maxine and the policemen.
- f A bullet Danny in the head and he didn't move again.
- g The shots windows in Lucien Wilbank's office.

Chapter 10

12 Put the words in the right place to make a sentence.

- a penalty killer death wanted the for Hank Rhoda's
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- b thought his in Willie about life Clanton
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- c house more Willie bedrooms his had in
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- d into Willie to books his started boxes put
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- e Ruffins them Willie wanted with stay The to
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- f window Willie the out looked office of
.....
- g wrote *Times* last his for story the Willie
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13 Circle the right word or words.

- a The shooting stopped after about *three hours* / *one hour*.
- b Hank Hooten put the gun to his *stomach* / *head*.
- c Dr. Vero was a very *careful* / *busy* man.
- d Dr. Vero and Willie went for a *drive* / *walk*.
- e Hank Hooten's mother was a *sick* / *beautiful* woman.

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

- a ☐ Danny has his first parole hearing.
- b ☐ Miss Callie gives Willie the names of the jurors.
- c ☐ Somebody kills Rhoda Kassellaw with a knife.
- d ☐ A policeman shoots at a big and heavy box.
- e ☐ Somebody shoots Lenny Fargarson in his wheelchair.
- f ☐ Danny goes to jail.
- g ☐ Miss Callie dies.
- h ☐ Hank Hooten shoots Danny in the courtroom.
- i ☐ Danny Padgitt has a car accident.
- j ☐ Hank Hooten goes to a mental hospital.

2 Are these sentences right (✓) or wrong (X)?

- a Danny Padgitt ran away from Rhoda's house. ☐
- b Willie Traynor knew a lot about guns. ☐
- c Darla Clabo saw Danny and a jailer in a café. ☐
- d Willie talked to Hank Hooten in a church. ☐
- e Lucien Wilbanks was at the first parole hearing. ☐
- f Lenny Fargarson was one of the jurors. ☐
- g Somebody killed Mo Teale in the kitchen of a farm house. ☐
- h Maxine Root's sister didn't send her any candy. ☐
- i A policeman shot Hank Hooten dead. ☐
- j Miss Callie died in the hospital. ☐

3 Finish the sentences with the right names.

Lucien Wilbanks Willie Traynor Hank Hooten
Rhoda Kassellaw Callie Ruffin Lenny Fargarson
Mo Teale Darla Clabo The Sheriff Mr. Deece

- a met her killer in a bar.
- b called the police when a woman died.
- c lived in Lowtown and had a big family.
- d wanted the editor of the *Times* to write a story about Danny.
- e took photos of Danny and his jailer in a café.
- f was easier to kill because he couldn't run.
- g worked on farm machines.
- h knew that Danny wasn't the killer.
- i sent four police cars to the Padgitt's house.
- j shot Danny Padgitt in the arm.

4 Circle the right words.

- a Willie Traynor was a *friend* / *brother* of one of the jurors.
- b Lucien Wilbanks was not *an intelligent* / *a nice* man.
- c Willie was very *happy* / *angry* after the first parole hearing.
- d Willie waited in *his car* / *a bar* at the second parole hearing.
- e There were a lot of *houses* / *trees* around Lenny's yard.
- f Mo Teale and his workers wore *yellow* / *old* shirts.
- g Danny's family didn't *go to* / *speak at* Danny's second trial.
- h Dr. Vero couldn't answer *any* / *some* of Willie's questions.
- i Willie wanted to show Miss Callie his *stories* / *photos*.
- j Willie sat at his desk and wrote his most *difficult* / *exciting* story about Miss Callie.

5 Put the right answers with the questions.

- a Where was Clanton?
 - b Where did the Padgitt family live?
 - c Where did Rhoda dance with her killer?
 - d Where did Willie eat lunch on Thursdays?
 - e Where did Danny say bad things to the jurors?
 - f Where did Darla Clabo tell her story?
 - g Where were the houses very close?
 - h Where did the policeman shoot at the box?
 - i Where did Hank Hooten go in 1971?
 - j Where did the Ruffin children sleep when Miss Callie was in hospital?
- 1) In Maxine Root's yard.
 - 2) In Willie's office.
 - 3) In the courtroom.
 - 4) Outside Clanton, near the Big Brown River.
 - 5) In Willie's house.
 - 6) In Ford County, Mississippi.
 - 7) To Whitfield mental hospital.
 - 8) In Lowtown.
 - 9) In Miss Callie's house.
 - 10) In a bar.