#### INTERMEDIATE LEVEL

# Bristol Murder by Philip Prowse

#### I

- I At 103 Mill Road, Bridgwater.
- 2 He was a driver for Universal Transport Ltd.
- 3 To Manchester.
- 4 He was about sixteen. He was wearing a red jersey and jeans.
- 5 He had run away from home.

### 2

- John's uncle had told him that he could not go to the cinema with his friends. He said that John had to stay at home and study. But John had gone to the cinema.
  When he got home, his uncle was angry and he hit John in the face. John got angry and hit him back.
- 2 John ran out of the house after he hit his uncle. When he returned an hour later there were several police cars outside the house. A policeman saw John and tried to catch him, but he ran away.
- 3 John Stevens.
- 4 To the bus station.
- 5 A policeman.

### 3

- I Because the police were looking for John. They thought he might be hitch-hiking north.
- 2 No.
- 3 No.
- 4 They were going to Manchester. And they were going to find out who had killed John's uncle.

#### 4

- I They had been in prison so they knew a lot of criminals. Peter said that criminals always talked to each other about things like John's uncle's murder. He thought that one of his old friends might have heard something about the murder that the police did not know.
- 2 Outside the shop where Peter was going to unload the biscuits, at ten o'clock.
- 3 He asked him if he knew Jeff Beck.
- 4 No.

#### 5

- I There were many other people standing outside the cinema. John thought that no one would notice him if he stood there.
- 2 He thought she looked quite nice. And he thought the person she was waiting for wasn't going to come. He asked himself, 'Shall I go and ask her to go to the cinema with me?' Then he saw a policeman looking at him. John thought that if he spoke to the girl, the policeman would think that he lived in Manchester.
- 3 The girl's boyfriend.

#### 6

- I Jeff Beck.
- 2 He owned the Cabaret Club. And he controlled people who stole things. He sold the things which they stole.
- 3 He gave Peter the name of someone in Bristol who might be able to help him.
- 4 Bob Steel.

# 7

- I He said that he had to go back to Bristol. He asked Susan for her address. He said he would write to her.
- 2 Because he had promised to meet Peter at ten o'clock.
- 3 They said they were going to teach him not to try to steal Steve's girlfriend.
- 4 Steve and his friends.

#### 8

- I Because he did not think it was a fair fight. It was four against one.
- 2 Because Universal Transport did not expect Peter to be back in Bridgwater until the next day. He did not have to go to work until the day after next.
- 3 Because he saw two policemen walking up as he was getting out of the lorry.
- 4 They went back into Bristol.

#### 9

- I Because they wanted information about the murder of John's uncle.
- 2 Yes.
- 3 Peter said they did not have any choice. They had to trust him.
- 4 He said he was young. He was a boy who knew Mr Stevens.
- 5 Under the clock at the railway station, at half past three.
- 6 Student's own answer. Student should suggest that Bob Steel was telling the police where they could find John.

#### 10

- I To get the eighty pounds to pay Bob Steel.
- 2 They were policemen. They had come to arrest John.
- 3 To the police station.
- 4 It was a trick to make John talk.
- 5 No.

#### 11

- I He saw John in the police car.
- 2 He read that John was helping the police with their enquiries.
- 3 He looked about fifteen or sixteen.
- 4 Bob Steel.

#### 12

- I Yes.
- 2 The murderer.
- 3 He tied Bob Steel to a chair.
- 4 Because Bob Steel had told him he would find the answers to all his questions there.

#### 13

- I Because he lost his temper very quickly. And he had fixed ideas about his pupils.
- 2 He said that Peter would find some of Mr Stevens' pupils there.
- 3 Mr Stevens had a big argument with a boy.
- 4 Because he was the boy Mr Stevens had shouted at and had given extra homework to on the day he was killed.
- 5 Tommy Logan was the boy he had seen talking to Bob Steel.



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# **14**

- I Because Peter had mentioned Bob Steel.
- 2~ To Bob Steel's house in River Street.
- 3 Bob Steel and Tommy Logan were delayed by a queue
- of cars at the traffic lights.
- A police car.

Points for Understanding ANSWER KEY

- I Because they were driving too fast through Bristol.
- 2 He said that he was chasing the motorbike because of the murder.
- 3 He did not want to listen.
- 4 He thought that Peter had found out the truth about the murder. And he thought that the police would let him go.

# 16

- I John.
- 2 He was alive.
- 3 He heard a loud argument and then a fight. He could not see anything through the window of the house. Then he saw a young man leaving the house.
- 4 He followed Tommy Logan and asked him for money. He said he would tell the police he had seen Tommy at Mr Stevens' house if Tommy did not give him a hundred pounds.
- 5 He took the extra homework to Mr Stevens. He wanted to explain to him that he thought that he was being unfair.
- 6 He said he was going to teach Tommy a lesson.
- 7 He told Tommy to hit him.
- 8 Tommy.

# 17

- I No.
- 2 Bob Steel.
- 3 A job at Universal Transport, helping to repair lorries.
- 4 Susan.
- 5 Student's own answer. Student should mention that the boy they picked up was running away from home, just like John. Student should mention that Peter said, 'I expect you think you've killed your uncle too.' This made Peter and John start laughing. Student could add that the boy did not understand, but that made them laugh even more.



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