

# Great Expectations

Charles Dickens

**What does Pip decide the instant he hears the news—and what evidence is actually missing?**

**TOTAL TIME**

**PASSAGE**

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| 30 minutes | Jaggers announces the expectations |
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**FIND THE ANCHOR TEXT**

Use the Anchor Text Table of Contents in the Enhanced Reader to open the START anchor. Then use the dropdown to select the END anchor.

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| SECTION / LOCATION | Chapter XVIII                                                                                                    |
| START              | Now, I return to this young fellow. And the communication I have got to make is, that he has great expectations. |
| END                | Miss Havisham was going to make my fortune on a grand scale.                                                     |
| PASSAGE ID         | sec-ge-03                                                                                                        |

**THE MOVE**

Catch an inference the text never confirms

**WHY THIS PASSAGE**

Jaggers gives Pip genuine information—he has expectations and must leave for London—but never identifies the benefactor. Pip immediately fills that silence with Miss Havisham. The lesson lets students catch an inference forming precisely where the evidence stops.

**MARK**

Box only the facts Jaggers explicitly gives Pip. In a different mark, underline every conclusion Pip adds about the identity or purpose of the benefactor. Put a question mark beside the first conclusion that Jaggers never confirms.

## NOTICE

- What does Pip know for certain after Jaggers speaks?
- What does Pip believe almost immediately even though nobody has said it?
- Why is Pip's inference emotionally convincing to him despite the missing evidence?

## THINK

Answer provisionally: What does Pip decide the instant he hears the news—and what evidence is actually missing? Choose the strongest interpretation you can defend from this passage alone.

## WRITE

Write a short evidence-based response to: What does Pip decide the instant he hears the news—and what evidence is actually missing? Use at least two details from the assigned passage and explain how they support your interpretation.

## CLOSE

Name the single detail that most changed or sharpened your interpretation, and explain why.

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| <b>STRONG ANSWER</b> | Pip immediately assumes Miss Havisham is the benefactor and that the expectations point toward Estella, even though Jaggers never says either thing. The certainty is emotionally logical to Pip but evidentially unsupported. |
| <b>EVIDENCE</b>      | List what Jaggers explicitly states, then identify the missing fact Pip supplies himself. Strong answers distinguish known conditions from the story Pip builds around them.                                                   |
| <b>WATCH FOR</b>     | Do not treat Pip's inference as foolish because the reader knows better. Explain why the inference feels persuasive despite the missing evidence.                                                                              |
| <b>SOLO</b>          | Read the exact passage independently.                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| <b>SUPPORTED</b>     | Use narration and sentence highlighting while reading the same passage.                                                                                                                                                        |
| <b>LISTENING</b>     | Listen to the exact passage; visual following is optional. Same question and evidence demand.                                                                                                                                  |

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**OPEN THE MARKED PASSAGE IN TUMBLELIT**

SOLO: read independently. SUPPORTED: use narration + highlighting. LISTENING: listen to the exact passage. The question and evidence task stay the same.

1. MARK - Box only the facts Jaggers explicitly gives Pip. In a different mark, underline every conclusion Pip adds about the identity or purpose of the benefactor. Put a question mark beside the first conclusion that Jaggers never confirms.
2. NOTICE - What does Pip know for certain after Jaggers speaks? What does Pip believe almost immediately even though nobody has said it? Why is Pip's inference emotionally convincing to him despite the missing evidence?
3. THINK - Answer provisionally: What does Pip decide the instant he hears the news—and what evidence is actually missing?
4. WRITE - Write a short response using at least two pieces of evidence from this passage.

Use evidence from the assigned passage. Show what you noticed and how the text supports your interpretation.