

Dr. Jekyll & Mr. Hyde

Robert Louis Stevenson

Why does seeing the transformation fail to make Lanyon feel certain about what he knows?

TOTAL TIME

PASSAGE

30 minutes	Lanyon sees Hyde become Jekyll
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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.

SECTION / LOCATION	Dr. Lanyon's Narrative
START	He put the glass to his lips and drank at one gulp.
END	I saw what I saw, I heard what I heard, and my soul sickened at it; and yet now when that sight has faded from my eyes, I ask myself if I believe it, and I cannot answer.
PASSAGE ID	sec-jh-03

THE MOVE

Track what happens when evidence exceeds a witness's worldview

WHY THIS PASSAGE

Lanyon witnesses the transformation with his own eyes, yet the event violates the intellectual framework through which he decides what counts as possible. The evidence is overwhelming, but it destroys rather than stabilizes his certainty.

MARK

Underline the physical changes Lanyon says he sees. Circle the sentences in which he insists on the reality of his senses. Then star the line where he admits he still cannot fully believe what he witnessed.

NOTICE

- What normally makes eyewitness evidence persuasive?
- Why is Lanyon's problem not lack of evidence?
- What happens when new evidence is stronger than the worldview a witness uses to interpret evidence?

THINK

Answer provisionally: Why does seeing the transformation fail to make Lanyon feel certain about what he knows? Choose the strongest interpretation you can defend from this passage alone.

WRITE

Write a short evidence-based response to: Why does seeing the transformation fail to make Lanyon feel certain about what he knows? 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.

STRONG ANSWER	Lanyon has overwhelming sensory evidence of transformation, but the event violates the scientific worldview he uses to decide what is possible. The stronger the evidence becomes, the more destabilized his certainty feels.
EVIDENCE	Use the visible transformation, Lanyon's insistence that he saw it, and his later inability to assimilate what he witnessed.
WATCH FOR	Do not say Lanyon doubts his eyesight because the evidence is weak. The crisis comes because the evidence is too strong for his framework.
SOLO	Read the exact passage independently.
SUPPORTED	Use narration and sentence highlighting while reading the same passage.
LISTENING	Listen to the exact passage; visual following is optional. Same question and evidence demand.

STUDENT PAGE · SAME PASSAGE, SAME THINKING

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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** - Underline the physical changes Lanyon says he sees. Circle the sentences in which he insists on the reality of his senses. Then star the line where he admits he still cannot fully believe what he witnessed.
2. **NOTICE** - What normally makes eyewitness evidence persuasive? Why is Lanyon's problem not lack of evidence? What happens when new evidence is stronger than the worldview a witness uses to interpret evidence?
3. **THINK** - Answer provisionally: Why does seeing the transformation fail to make Lanyon feel certain about what he knows?
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.