

Dr. Jekyll & Mr. Hyde

Robert Louis Stevenson

How does Jekyll turn his own secrecy into a theory about human nature?

TOTAL TIME

PASSAGE

30 minutes	Jekyll argues that man is truly two
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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	Henry Jekyll's Full Statement of the Case
START	Hence it came about that I concealed my pleasures;
END	that man is not truly one, but truly two.
PASSAGE ID	sec-jh-04

THE MOVE

Follow a personal history into an abstract theory

WHY THIS PASSAGE

Jekyll begins with a personal problem—his respectable public identity and concealed pleasures—then expands that divided life into a general theory that every human being contains opposing selves. The abstract theory grows directly out of autobiography.

MARK

Underline the details Jekyll gives about concealing parts of his life. Circle the sentences where he stops talking only about himself and begins making claims about 'man' or human nature. Star the sentence where private conflict becomes universal theory.

NOTICE

- What personal experience gives Jekyll the material for his theory?
- At what point does he move from confession to generalization?
- Does his theory explain his behavior, excuse it, or both?

THINK

Answer provisionally: How does Jekyll turn his own secrecy into a theory about human nature? Choose the strongest interpretation you can defend from this passage alone.

WRITE

Write a short evidence-based response to: How does Jekyll turn his own secrecy into a theory about human nature? 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	Jekyll generalizes from his own divided life: secrecy and conflicting desires become evidence for a theory that human identity itself is multiple. Personal autobiography turns into universal claim.
EVIDENCE	Use Jekyll's description of concealed pleasures and duplicity, then the shift into statements about 'man' being truly two.
WATCH FOR	Do not assume the theory is objectively proven because Jekyll believes it. Show how he builds it from his own case.
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

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2. NOTICE - What personal experience gives Jekyll the material for his theory? At what point does he move from confession to generalization? Does his theory explain his behavior, excuse it, or both?
3. THINK - Answer provisionally: How does Jekyll turn his own secrecy into a theory about human nature?
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.