

PLAY: *Frankenstein* • SKILL: Reading Comprehension

Frankenstein Quiz

Directions: Read the play *Frankenstein* in this issue of *Scope*. Then answer the multiple-choice questions below.

1. In Scene 2, what is Victor's MAIN reason for abandoning the creature?

- (A) The creature is an evil monster.
- (B) The creature killed Victor's little brother.
- (C) The creature is horrible-looking.
- (D) The creature can't walk or talk.

2. Which of the following BEST describes how Victor changes during the course of the play?

- (A) He is cautious then becomes daring.
- (B) He is bold then becomes full of regret.
- (C) He is fearful then becomes disappointed.
- (D) He is excited then becomes carefree.

3. In Scene 2, when the creature first comes to life, the author uses _____ to create drama and tension.

- (A) foreshadowing
- (B) flashback
- (C) dialogue
- (D) sensory details

4. Read the following line from Scene 4:

"Just then, Victor spies the creature approaching at superhuman speed."

What does the Latin prefix *super* mean?

- (A) below
- (B) beyond
- (C) quickly
- (D) toward

5. Which event is the climax of the play?

- (A) the creature declaring his revenge
- (B) the creature jumping into the sea
- (C) Victor telling the captain to kill the creature
- (D) Elizabeth's murder

6. Which of the following is a theme of *Frankenstein*?

- (A) Revenge is sweet.
- (B) Dr. Frankenstein's creature was miserable.
- (C) Every living thing needs to be nurtured.
- (D) Misery leads to murder.

7. Some people might criticize Victor for refusing to create a companion for the creature. Those with the *opposite* opinion, though, might say

- (A) the creature vowed that he and his companion would leave the human world forever.
- (B) the creature would not have turned violent if he'd had a friend.
- (C) Victor was right not to bring another potentially dangerous monster into the world.
- (D) Victor was upset because he had hoped his creature would be beautiful.

8. By the end of the play, the creature

- (A) hates himself for the monster he's become.
- (B) wishes he had killed Victor.
- (C) escapes, likely to murder more people.
- (D) forgives himself for his evil deeds.

Directions: Answer the questions below on the back of this page or on another piece of paper.

9. There is one character who is kind to the creature.

Who is it? What does this imply about human behavior?

10. Victor Frankenstein's creature commits many horrible acts. Could these have been prevented?

If so, how? If not, why not?