

Study Guide Questions
Dracula Chapters 20-27

Chapters 20-21:

1. Where are the 21 boxes missing from Carfax taken?
2. What change does Jonathan Harker notice about Mina?
3. Renfield says that he wants life from other beings, but he does not want something else. What is it he does not want?
4. Dr. Seward notices that twice Renfield stops himself before uttering a specific word. What word is it?
5. After Dr. Seward leaves Renfield, what does the doctor realize?
6. Who do the realtors at Mitchell, Sons, and Candy claim purchased the house in Piccadilly?
7. What does Seward hear coming from Renfield's room that alarms him?
8. The asylum attendant reports to Dr. Seward that Renfield has met with an accident. Describe Renfield's injuries.
9. What procedure does Van Helsing perform on Renfield?
10. What does Count Dracula promise Renfield in exchange for letting him into the asylum?
11. Why does Renfield become angry with the Count?
12. What does Renfield notice about Mina Harker?
13. Describe the encounter between Renfield and Dracula when the Count returns to the asylum.
14. Describe the scene Van Helsing, Dr. Seward, Lord Godalming, and Quincey Morris witness after breaking down the door to the Harkers' bedroom.
15. Upon escaping, what does the Count do with the typed manuscript and phonograph diary entries?
16. Recount Mina's description of her encounter with Dracula

Chapters 22-23:

1. What do the men discover when they return to Renfield's room?
2. What decision do Van Helsing and Seward make regarding Mina's knowledge of their activities?
3. Mina vows to kill herself if she will endanger the others in any way. Why does Dr. Van Helsing tell her this can not be?
4. How does Van Helsing propose to enter into the Count's locked room house in Piccadilly during daylight without attracting a lot of attention?
5. Why does Van Helsing say that the group will be unlikely to run into the Count during the day?
6. What happens as a result of Van Helsing's attempt to protect Mina from the Count while they are gone?
7. How does Van Helsing purify the boxes of earth at Carfax?
8. What are the men distressed to learn about the boxes of earth at the Piccadilly house?
9. What personal effects belonging to the Count do the men find at Piccadilly?
10. Describe the physical changes that have taken place in Jonathan Harker in the past twenty four hours.
11. What does Van Helsing learn about the Count's mortal life?
12. What message is delivered to Van Helsing at the Piccadilly house?
13. Who is the first attempt to attack the Count upon Dracula's arrival at Piccadilly?

14. How does the Count escape capture from the group at Piccadilly?
15. What does the Count desperately attempt to take with him as he escaped from the house?
16. What is the noise that Mina hears outside their bedroom in the night?
17. What request does Mina make of Van Helsing?
18. With what information is Mina able to supply Van Helsing?

Chapters 24-25:

1. Where does Van Helsing believe that the Count is going?
2. What news does the man from Dolittle's Wharf share with Van Helsing?
3. Why does the Czarina Catherine not sail out on time?
4. Why do Jonathan Harker and the others feel so compelled to follow the Count even though he is leaving the country?
5. Explain Van Helsing's comparison of Dracula to a tiger.
6. What is a constant reminder that the events surrounding Dracula are real and not a dream?
7. Why does Van Helsing propose to keep Mina in the dark about the group's plan for the Count?
8. What weapon does Quincey Morris suggest the group should add to their arsenal?
9. What request does Mina make regarding the group's journey to follow the Count?
10. What solemn promise does Mina ask of Jonathan Harker and the other men?
11. What does Mina ask Jonathan to read for her?
12. What does Mina claim to hear when Van Helsing puts her into a hypnotic trance?
13. Who is "Judge Money-Bag" that Van Helsing refers to in his journal?
14. What news does Van Helsing and the others receive about the Czarina Catherine?
15. How did the Count find out that Van Helsing and the others were chasing him?
16. What makes Van Helsing so absolutely certain that the Count is returning to his castle in Transylvania?

Chapters 26-27:

1. What does Van Helsing learn from Mina in her hypnotic state?
2. What seems to be happening to Mina's hypnotic trances?
3. What had the Romanians on the crew of the Czarina Catherine requested several times of their captain?
4. What becomes of Petrof Skinsky who has claimed the Count's box from the ship?
5. What does Mina do for which Van Helsing and the others heartily congratulated her?
6. What single word does Mina hesitate to write in her journal?
7. How does the group divide its members in order to best capture the Count?
8. How does Lord Godalming manage to trick boat owners to allow him to search their vessels along the river?
9. What seems to arouse the superstitions of the people that Van Helsing and Mina meet along their journey?
10. Describe the changes in Mina's behavior since Van Helsing and she separated from the others.
11. What precaution does Van Helsing take when he and Mina are forced to sleep outside for the night?
12. What does Van Helsing see in the mist during the night?

13. Although Mina is safe from vampires inside her circle, what other danger concerns Van Helsing?
14. Van Helsing hesitates before killing the first vampire woman. What brings him back to his sense of purpose?
15. What happens to each of the female vampires once Van Helsing has purified them?
16. What does Van Helsing see through his field glass as he stood upon the large rock?
17. How is Count Dracula finally destroyed?
18. What becomes of the members of the group after their terrible ordeal?