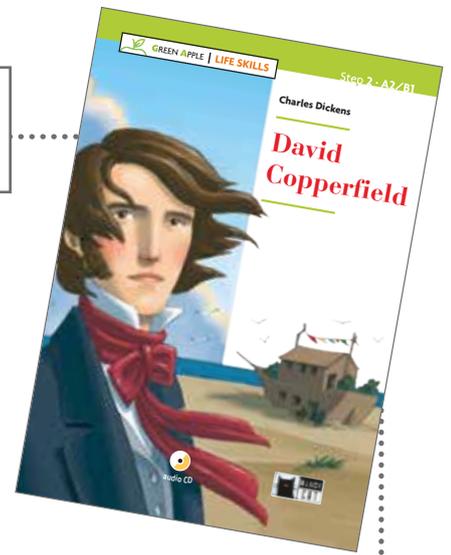


LISTENING ACTIVITY

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DAVID COPPERFIELD

1  Listen to the audio and complete the text. Choose the right word/s from the basket.

- pay • died • hill • ground • journey • surprise • relative
- unlucky • town • cottage

I didn't know where to go, but I remembered my father's aunt, Betsey Trotwood. She was my only **1** in the world. Perhaps she could help me. She lived near Dover and I decided to go and find her. I left for Dover with very little money and a small suitcase, and I was extremely **2** A thief pushed me against a wall and stole the little money and the suitcase.

I sat down in the street and started crying. 'I've lost everything I own in the world,' I thought sadly. 'Now what can I do?'

I had to walk to Dover because I didn't have the money to **3** the coach. The **4** took six days. I had to sell my jacket for a few coins so that I could buy some food. At night I slept under the trees or in old, empty buildings.

When I got to the seaside **5** of Dover I asked a few people where Miss Betsey Trotwood lived. They told me where to go, and I walked up to the top of a **6**, where I saw a small **7** with a garden in front. Suddenly I was afraid.

'What will my aunt think of me?' I asked myself. 'My face and hands are dirty and my clothes are old. Perhaps she won't even invite me into her house.'

When Miss Betsey saw me she shouted, 'Go away! Don't walk on my grass!'

'Please, madam,' I said bravely, 'please Aunt Betsey...'

'What!' she cried, looking at me in great **8**

'Please, Aunt Betsey, I'm your nephew David Copperfield. You came on the night I was born and saw my dear mother. My life has been very unhappy since she **9** .. My stepfather sent me to work in London and I hated it and ran away. Then someone stole my money and suitcase, and I had to walk all the way from London...,' I felt weak and suddenly fell to the **10**

My aunt picked me up gently and took me into her sitting room. She wrapped me in a big blanket and put me on her sofa. Then she called Mr Dick, a man who stayed with her. People thought he wasn't intelligent, but he was very kind.

'Mr Dick, what can we do with this boy,' she asked. 'You remember that I had a nephew in Suffolk? Well, this is his son, David.'

'Oh!' he exclaimed. 'Well, first of all...wash him! And then give him some clean clothes and some good food!'

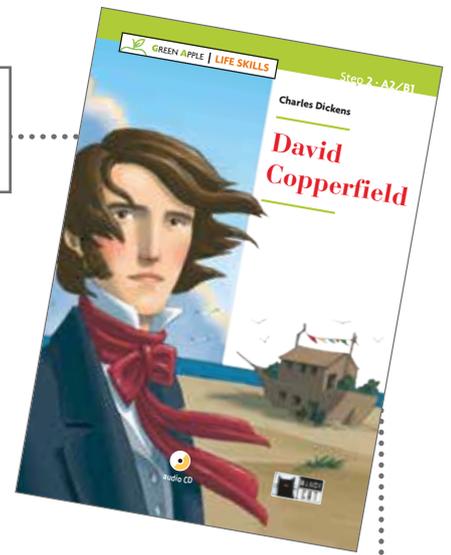
'Well done, Mr Dick,' said my aunt happily. 'You always have the right answer!'

(from Chapter Three)



LISTENING ACTIVITY

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2. Chose the correct answer – a, b or c.

1. Where did Betsey Trotwood live?

- a. in London
- b. in Suffolk
- c. in Dover

2. What did the thief steal?

- a. David's little money and suitcase
- b. David's jacket
- c. David's food

3. Where was Aunt Betsey's house?

- a. in front of the sea
- b. on top of a hill
- c. under the trees

4. Who was Mr Dick?

- a. Aunt Betsey's husband
- b. Aunt Betsey's nephew
- c. Aunt Betsey's friend

5. What was Mr Dick like?

- a. kind
- b. unpleasant
- c. funny

