

CHAPTERS 9 AND 10

Words to learn

fortnight	control	carefully	sneered	milkshake
cancel	experience	roared	nicknames	allowed

Practise until you can read the 10 words in 10 seconds. That means you can 'spot' them and read them straight off!

Fill in the missing words

Next morning Mrs Bigelow _____ me at the bus station, and _____ off. This was the _____ time I'd ever caught a _____, and I didn't know what to _____. I could see people _____ at me, but the old lady in the _____ seat was very kind.

She talked to me and asked me _____ myself. When we got to Bunbury train station, she helped me get my _____ stamped for Armadale, and took me to the station _____ for lunch. I felt _____, sitting there with all those people, with a white lady helping _____ – so different from life with Mrs Bigelow.

Then we found our _____ on the train, and the engine started _____. I nearly jumped _____ of my seat when I heard the whistle, as this was my first _____ of trains.

Clues: *me, experience, laughing, out, dropped, about, seats, first, drove, strange, next, ticket, bus, café, do, up*

Quick quiz

Check your understanding.

1. What was the 'surprise' Mrs Bigelow had for Glenyse? _____

2. Why did Mrs Bigelow say she'd tell Glenyse if the circus came to town?

3. Was Horsey treated better than Glenyse by her boss? _____
4. Why did Glenyse feel so strange at the train station café? _____

5. Why wasn't Glenyse honest with Brother Leonard about her job?

6. How was her visit to the mission different from when she lived there?

Work out the order

Number the events in the order they happen in the story (from 1-5):

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- ___ Mrs Bigelow laughed at Glenyse's clothes.
- ___ They drank milkshakes and talked.
- ___ Glenyse started to cry.
- ___ Glenyse met Anne (Horsey).
- ___ Mrs Bigelow told Glenyse she had a surprise for her.

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- ___ Brother Leonard met her and drove her to the mission.
- ___ Glenyse caught the train to Armadale.
- ___ Glenyse packed her bags.
- ___ Glenyse caught the bus to Bunbury.
- ___ Mrs Bigelow dropped Glenyse off.

 **Imagine...**

Imagine you see someone who is a stranger at your college or school, or new in your area. They just don't know what to do. How would you help them? What advice would you give them?

First, always...

Never forget to...

It's always better if you...

Try never to...

Sounds and spelling

sta**tion**, emo**tion**

Did you notice that in these words the spelling is '**tion**' but the sound is **-shun**?

Write '**tion**' to complete these words and sentences:

1. We're a great na_____ .
2. I need informa_____ .
3. Another word for holiday is vaca_____ .
4. This is a new edi_____ of the book.
5. Here's some suntan lo_____ .
6. Move! Let's have some ac_____ .
7. I want an explana_____ .
8. She can do addi_____ and subtrac_____ .
9. The kids put decora_____s on the Christmas tree.
10. I've got an invita_____ to a party.

Other ways to spell that 'shun' sound:

- **ssion** (mission, passion)
- **cian** (electrician, technician, magician)
- **shion** (fashion)
- **cean** (ocean)

BUT **sion** makes a 'zhun' sound: **vision**, confu**sion**, occas**ion**, divis**ion**

Odd word out

Write the word that doesn't belong.

1. nervous, shy, big, angry _____
2. thinking, wondering, feeling, running _____
3. scarf, station, bank, café _____
4. laugh, sneer, smile, grin _____
5. week, month, fortnight, visit _____

Nicknames

Glenyse's nickname was Sprattie, because her surname was Spratt.

Anne's nickname was Horsey. (Glenyse doesn't say why.)

What other nicknames do you know – for famous people or for your friends?

Real name	Nickname	Reason (if known)



Be creative

How would you promote the book *Wandering Girl*? Design an advertising poster, or a new cover for the book. What could you say to make people want to read it?



