

Marguerite Poland  
Shades  
Chapter 20

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1. In what way has Walter's life become cynical? (4)
2. Why did Hubert Brompton go mad? (4)
3. Walter reads through Brompton's letter book.
  - What is a letter book? (4)
4. When Walter settled at Mbokothwe, Pusey immediately made his re-appearance.
  - Why did Walter not fire him? (3)
5. What is the main purpose of this section of the chapter dealing with Mbokothwe? (4)
6. "He worked and worked and worked. And rarely prayed."
  - How would you account for Walter's becoming a workaholic, and for his turning away from prayer? (6)
7. Walter writes a letter to Frances but he leaves it in his letter book unposted.
  - Why does he not post it? (5)
8. Frances shows increased irritation with her new life. Explain why. (6)
9. It is clear that Frances's affection for Victor is waning. How do we know? (5)
10. Why is the musical box more important to Frances than her engagement ring? (5)

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