The Picture of Dorian Gray

Questions for Discussion or Quiz

Quiz 1 (ch. 1-6)

1. In a brief but complete paragraph, identify Sybil and James Vane. Tell (1) how they are related, (2) what she does for a living, (3) how they are involved with the story of Dorian Gray, and (4) why James is worried about Sybil.
2. In a brief but complete paragraph, identify Price Charming. (1) Who uses the name and (2) for whom and (3) why.
3. In a brief but complete paragraph, tell (1) what major wish Dorian Gray makes, (2) whether or not it is granted, and (3) what the early consequences are for him.

Quiz 2 (ch. 7-12)

1. In a brief but complete paragraph, explain what has become of Sybil Vane, (2) tell exactly how, and (3) explain specifically what Dorian Gray’s reaction is.
2. When Basil Hallward comes and asks to borrow the picture he painted of Dorian Gray to show it in an exhibition, (1) what is Dorian’s answer, (2) what is his real reason for his giving that answer, and (3) what action does Dorian take immediately after Basil leaves?

Quiz 3 (ch. 1-15)

1. In two or three sentences explain (1) what happens to Basil Hallward on his way to Paris, (2) what causes that event, and (3) what Dorian Gray does immediately afterward.
2. In a few sentences, explain (1) the favor Alan Campbell does for Dorian and (2) why he does it.

Quiz 3 (ch. 1-15)

1. In a few sentences tell (1) what Lord Henry Wotton says that so upsets Dorian Gray at Lady Narborough’s “small party,” (2) why Dorian gets so upset, and (3) what Dorian does immediately after the party.