

A Rake's Progress **Answers**



Match the adjectives on the left with the nouns on the right from the story. Check the meanings of any new words in the dictionary.

miserly	financier
meagre	earnings
sly	reference
gainful	employment
dumpy, one-eyed	heiress
grotesque	parody
dejected	highwayman
social	pretensions
rowdy	night
bawdy	song
generous	spirit
moral	lesson
clandestine	wedding
overzealous	church attendant
notorious	prison
impending	madness
enduring, if misplaced	love
madcap	scheme

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Match the following adjective and noun phrases with their definitions.

gainful employment	useful, paid work
meagre earnings	small wages
miserly financier	mean money-lender
grotesque parody	extremely ugly but amusing copy
social pretensions	the act of trying to appear more important/of a higher class than you really are in order to impress other people
generous spirit	a kind person
madcap scheme	reckless plan

Match the following adjectives with their definitions.

sly	secret or dishonest, intending to trick
dejected	unhappy and disappointed
rowdy	making a lot of noise, causing trouble
bawdy	loud, sexual and funny
clandestine	done secretly
overzealous	excessively enthusiastic
notorious	well known for being bad
impending	going to happen very soon - usually unpleasant