

Round the World in Eighty Days

Jules Verne



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What's the book about?

Look at the front of the book and at the pictures in the book. Then circle the right answers. Sometimes, there is more than one right answer.

- 1 The story is about ...
 a a journey. b two friends. c a killer.
- 2 At the time of the story it is ...
 a 1773. b 1873. c 1973.
- 3 In the story, people go on journeys by ...
 a train. b boat. c bicycle.
- 4 The people in the story go to ...
 a India. b Russia. c the United States.
- 5 The people in the story have ...
 a no problems. b some problems. c a lot of problems.

1.2 What happens first?

Look at the names of Chapters 1 and 2, and at the words in *italics* below them. Then look at this picture. Answer the questions.



- 1 In the picture, which man is Phileas Fogg?
- 2 Is Phileas Fogg rich?
- 3 Is Passepartout a friend of Phileas Fogg?
- 4 What is 'The Bet', do you think?

Phileas Fogg and Passepartout

'I want to forget the name "Passepartout".'

'I'll call you Passepartout,' said Phileas Fogg.

In 1872, the Reform **Club** in London's Pall Mall was a club for men only. Phileas Fogg went to the Reform Club every day. He left his house at 7 Savile Row at 11.30 in the morning and walked to the club. He had his lunch and his dinner there. He read the papers at the club, and he played chess. He left late in the evening and walked back to Savile Row. He went to bed at midnight.

Phileas Fogg was a cold man. He didn't talk much, and nobody knew much about him. But everything in his life had to be right. His washing water had to be at 31°C – not 30°C and not 32°C.

At 9.37 on the morning of 2nd October 1872 his **servant**, James Forster, brought him water at 30°C, not 31°C. So this servant had to go. Phileas Fogg sat at home in his Savile Row house. He waited for his new servant.



club /klʌb/ (n) A *club* is a building or a number of people. The people in a *club* are interested in the same things.

servant /'sɜ:vənt/ (n) A *servant* lives and works for you in your house.



The new servant came. He was about thirty years old.

'You are French,' said Phileas Fogg, 'and your name is John?'

'No,' said the new servant. 'My name is Jean, Mr Fogg. They call me Jean Passepartout, because in French a "passepartout" can open every door. When things are bad, I can always get out. I can get out of anything!'

'Tell me about your work,' said Phileas Fogg.

'I am a good man and I can do a lot of different jobs,' said Jean Passepartout. 'I was a fireman in Paris. And ... look!' Passepartout did a high jump, then put his left leg and then his right leg on his head. He was a strong man.

'But I left France in 1867,' said Passepartout, 'and I came to England. I want to be a servant. I am looking for a quiet life. People say that you are the quietest man in Britain. So I want to work for you. I want to live quietly now. I want to forget the name "Passepartout".'

'I'll call you Passepartout,' said Phileas Fogg. 'What time is it?'

Passepartout pulled out a big watch and looked at it.

‘It is 11.29, Mr Fogg,’ he said.

‘All right. From now, 11.29 on 2nd October 1872, you are my servant.’

With those words, Phileas Fogg put on his hat and went out. There was nobody in the house, then, only Passepartout.

‘Here I am,’ the Frenchman thought. ‘But what do I do?’

He went into every room in the house. He found his room, and in it there was a **timetable**. Everything was there, starting from 8 o’clock. Phileas Fogg got up at that time.

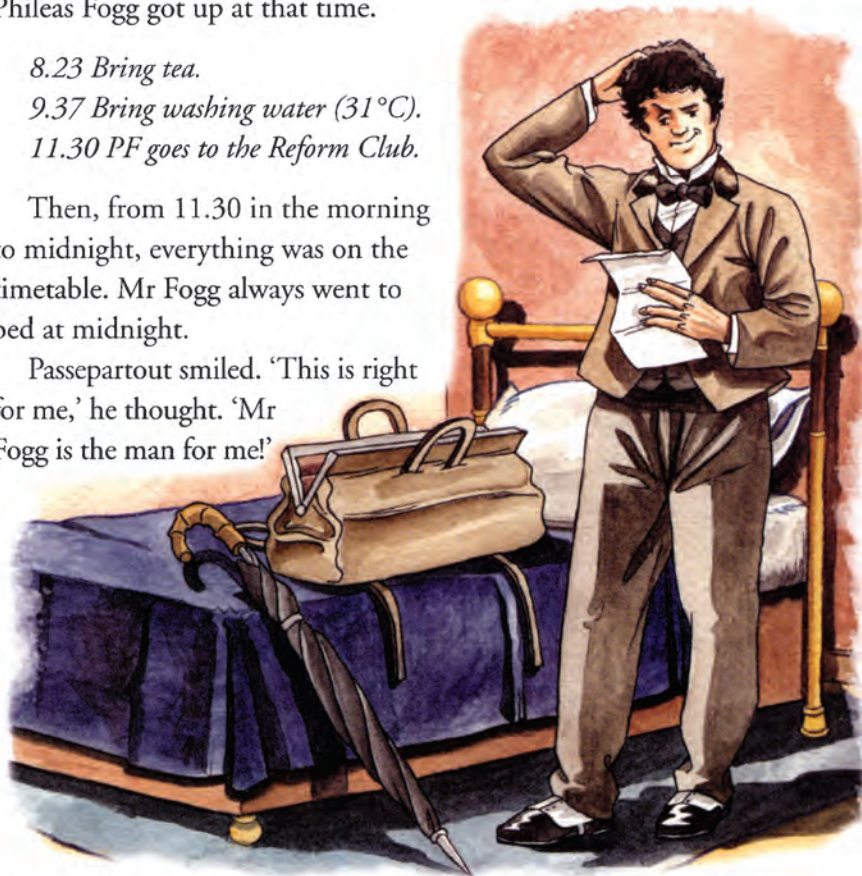
8.23 Bring tea.

9.37 Bring washing water (31°C).

11.30 PF goes to the Reform Club.

Then, from 11.30 in the morning to midnight, everything was on the timetable. Mr Fogg always went to bed at midnight.

Passepartout smiled. ‘This is right for me,’ he thought. ‘Mr Fogg is the man for me!’



timetable /ˈtaɪm,teɪbəl/ (n) A *timetable* shows the times when trains, buses, boats or aeroplanes leave.

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Can Phileas Fogg go round the world in eighty days?
He doesn't know that somebody wants to stop him.
Then Fogg will lose his bet – twenty thousand pounds!

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