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Pride and Prejudice
Assignment I1 (Chapter II)

- I. *Write a summary of Chapter 1 using the short summary on page 19 and questions from Assignment 1 (task XIII).*
- II. *Read Chapter II (pp. 20-27). Pick out new words and collocations (write them out in your notebook and learn them properly – to be checked in class). Do the task after reading Chapter II (pp 28-33, optional).*
- III. *Prepare expressive reading of the following passage:*
Starting from: ‘When dinner was over Elizabeth returned to Jane...’ (p. 26) to ‘...there is no chance of it.’ (p. 27).
- IV. *Make a list of place names mentioned in Chapters 1-2 and explain what characters they are related with.*
- V. *Find the following collocations in the text, translate them and reproduce the situations they are used in.*
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| 1. to be intimate with somebody (p. 20) | 7. to have no intention of doing something (p. 22) |
| 2. to be somebody’s first choice (p. 20) | 8. to (be able to) talk of nothing but something (p. 24) |
| 3. to think someone the prettiest (p. 20) | 9. to be a comfort to know something (p. 24) |
| 4. to be (very) decided (p. 20) | 10. to die of something (p. 24) |
| 5. not to mind somebody doing something (p. 21) | 11. to be anxious about somebody (p. 26) |
| to offend/abuse somebody (p. 21) | 12. to catch a (violent) cold (p. 26) |
| to fall in love (p. 21) | 13. to show an affection for somebody (p. 27) |
| to hold a party (p. 22) | 14. to be well married (p. 27) |
| 6. to present somebody to somebody else (formal) (p. 22) | 15. to ridicule something/somebody for something (p. 27) |
| | 16. to lessen one’s chances of doing something (p. 27) |
| | 17. to fall asleep (p. 27) |
- VI. *Explain why:* 1) Mr. Darcy did not want to invite Elizabeth for a dance at the Meryton ball but was quite willing to do it later, at Sir William Lucas’s house; 2) Mrs. Bennet was glad that Jane had to go to Netherfield on horseback; 3) Bingley’s sisters and the gentlemen at Netherfield saw Elizabeth differently when she arrived after walking across the muddy fields;
Say what happened: 1) during a party at the Lucas’s house; 2) to Jane when she went to Netherfield to have dinner with Miss Bingley and her sister Mrs. Hurst; 3) to Elizabeth during her stay at Netherfield while Jane was ill;
- VII. *Comment on the following and if possible give your own opinion.*
- 1) ‘You were Mr Bingley’s first choice’ ‘He liked his second better’.
 - 2) ‘He is a disagreeable man. Mrs Long told me that night that he sat near her for half an hour without speaking once.’
 - 3) ‘I could forgive his pride if he hadn’t mortified mine.’
 - 4) He began to want to know her better.
 - 5) ‘Sir, I have no intention of dancing. Please do not believe that I came here for a partner.’
 - 6) ‘You will have a charming mother-in-law.’
 - 7) ‘If your daughter dies, it will be a comfort to know that it is all in pursuit of Mr Bingley and under your orders.’
- VIII. *Compare these characters using the phrases from the text and your own vocabulary:* 1. Mr. Darcy and Mr. Bingley. 2. Elizabeth and Jane Bennet. 3. Mr. Bennet and Mrs. Bennet. 4. Mr. Darcy and Mr. Wickham.
- IX. *Act out the talk between Miss Bingley and Mr Darcy at the Lucases house.*
- X. *Discuss the following statement as a class.*
People are happiest when they marry within their own social class.