

JANE AUSTEN'S *EMMA*

A “Cheat Sheet” to Help Us All! (Penguin Classic)
Note: Spoiler Alert if you haven't finished the reading!

Main characters: Emma, Miss Bates, Harriet Smith, Augusta Hawkins (Mrs. Elton), Mr. Elton, Mr. Woodhouse, Jane Fairfax, Frank Churchill, Mr. Knightley.

Minor characters: Mr. Weston, Mrs. Weston, John Knightley, Isabella (Woodhouse) Knightley, old Mrs. Bates, Mr. Martin, Mr. Perry, the Coles, Mr. and Mrs. Churchill, James (Hartfield driver) and various other servants: Serle, Hannah, etc.

Places: Highbury village, Hartfield (Woodhouses), Donwell Abbey (Knightley), Randalls (Westons), the Vicarage (Eltons), Abbey Mill Farm.

Main incidents in VOLUME ONE

(page #s; chapter #s from Penguin Classic ed. of *Emma*)

(I have also included the Volume numbers--1-3-- and chapter #s-- i-xix—within the volume but not the correct page # for the Everyman Library edition or another similar edition)

* Emma introduced--1, ch. 1

Miss Bates and Harriet Smith introduced-- 22, 24; 1, ch.3

Mr. Knightley and Mrs. Weston argue about Emma's character--1, ch. 5

The portrait painting episode--1, ch. 6

Mr. Martin's proposal—1, ch. 7

Emma's and Mr. Knightley's quarrel re Harriet Smith and Mr. Martin--1, ch. 8

Emma disparages love and marriage for herself--82-83; 1, ch. 10

Isabella (Woodhouse) Knightley and her father argue about health--1, ch. 12

John Knightley warns Emma about Mr. Elton--106-107; 1, ch. 13

Westons' Christmas Eve dinner in the snow--1, ch. 14

(Emma and Mr. Woodhouse, the John Knightleys, Mr. Elton, the Westons, Mr. Knightley)

The carriage ride home—122-125;1, ch. 15

* Emma reflects on events and her role--1, ch. 16 (full self-knowledge???)

Harriet's reaction—133-134; 1, 17.

Emma and Mr. Knightley quarrel over Frank Churchill's character--1, ch. 18

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- Jane Fairfax introduced as well as Emma's reactions to her--156-159; ii, ch. 20
- Miss Bates talks—163, 165-166; iii, ch. 21
- Harriet meets Mr. Martin again—167-168; iii, ch. 21 (Listen to Harriet's voice)
- Soon-to-be-Mrs.-Elton (Augusta Hawkins of Bristol) described—2, iv, ch. 22
- Harriet briefly visits the Martins—2, v, ch. 23
- Frank Churchill finally arrives--2, v, ch. 23
- Frank Churchill & Emma talk about Jane Fairfax—187-191; 2, vi, ch. 24
- Frank Churchill gets a haircut--2, vii, ch. 25
- Cole's dinner party invitation—194; 2, vii, ch. 25
- * Cole's dinner party; the pianoforte gift--2, viii, ch. 26.
(Emma, Mr. Knightley, Jane Fairfax, Miss Bates, Frank Churchill, Coles)
*Emma and Frank speculate on the pianoforte gift (201-204)
*Mrs. Weston tells Emma that Mr. Knightley loves Jane Fairfax (207-210)
- Miss Bates invites Emma to visit--219-222; 2, ch. 27 (what dialogue!!!)
- Frank repairs Mrs. Bates' spectacles and is very clever--226-227; 2, x, ch. 28
- Mr. Woodhouse's, Frank's, and Emma's views of the proposed ball--2, xi, ch. 29
- * Frank takes leave of Emma--242-243; 2, xii, ch 30
- Emma reflects on her feelings about Frank--245-246; 2, xiii, ch. 31
- Mrs. Elton introduced (listen to her) and others respond --2, xiv-xv, ch. 32-33
- * Emma's dinner party for Mrs. Elton, 2, xvi-xvii, ch. 34-36
(Emma, Mr. Woodhouse, the Eltons, Mrs. Weston, Jane Fairfax and Mr. Knightley, Mr. John Knightley. Mr. Weston arrives later.)
*the Post Office letters and Mrs. Elton's offers of help (272-274, xvi, Ch. 34,)
*Mrs. Elton re governess enquiries & Jane's response (xvii, ch. 35)
*Mr. Weston & Mrs. Elton talk at cross purposes--(dialogue duet, xviii, ch. 36)

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* Crown Inn Ball-- 3, ii, ch. 38

**Miss Bates' entry (tour de force dialogue and clues) (302-303, 308-309)

*Mr. Elton's snub of Harriet (306-307)

*Emma and Mr. K's joint apology for past wrongness (309-310)

Frank rescues Harriet from the gypsies; Emma's has a new fancy--3, iii, ch.39-40

Harriet's new infatuation—320-321; 3, iv, ch.40

*The "Blunder" and alphabet letter game--3, v, ch. 41 (Note the point-of-view. Why?)

* Mr. Knightley cautions Emma re FC and Jane--328-329; v, ch. 41 (Worth analyzing)

Strawberry-picking party at Donwell Abbey--3, vi, ch. 42

* Box Hill picnic, Mr. K's rebuke--3, vii, chapter 43 (whole chapter is worth exploring)

Emma reflects further on her behavior, learns that Jane has accepted a governess job, and is refused admittance--3, viii, ch 44

The secret engagement revealed & Emma's response--372-373; 3, x, ch. 46

* Harriet Smith confesses her love; Emma's reaction—esp. 382; 3, xi, ch. 47

* Emma's epiphanies--386-388; 3, xi, ch.47

Dreary weather—3, xii, ch.48

In the shrubberies-- 3, xiii, ch. 49 (Note the use of universal present on 404 and how misunderstandings can be created)

Chapters xiv-xix, 50-55—why include them?

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