



The Kalahari Typing School for Men

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While reading

Chapter 1

1 Find the right words in Chapter 1.

- a A word that means boring. (p. 1)
.....
- b Something you use to clean your nose. (p. 4)
.....
- c When you do something bad you feel this. (p. 5)
- d You are this when you have a lot of things to do. (p. 5)
- e A word that means intelligent. (p. 7)
.....
- f You are this when you do things in an organised or safe way. (p. 8)

Chapter 2

2 Underline the wrong word and put the right one.

- a Motholeli especially liked to eat rice.
.....
- b Mma Ramotswe thought about kicking the apprentice on his leg.
- c A boy at the school told Motholeli that her mother hadn't liked her.
- d Mr Matekoni grew tomatoes in the garden.
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- e Puso was hiding in the garden.
- f Mr Matekoni and Mma Ramotswe were amused by Puso's behaviour.

Chapter 3

3 Are the sentences right (✓) or wrong (X)?

- a Mma Ramotswe was very angry about the new agency.
- b Mr Cephas Buthelezi offered the two women a cigarette.
- c Mr Buthelezi said he had lived for a short time in New York.
- d Mr Molefelo had a hotel in Lobatse.
- e Mr Molefelo was married with two daughters.
- f A thief hit Mr Molefelo on the head with a stick.

Chapter 4

4 Put the underlined letters in the right place to make a word.

- a Mr Molefelo's girlfriend told him she was pigcetxen a baby.

- b Mr Molefelo wanted to pgeslaioo to his ex-girlfriend.
- c The ptecpaerni wanted to study in the secretarial college.
- d The typewriters were kept in a large budapcor
- e Mma Ramotswe offered to pay for an smtravenetide in the paper.
- f Mr Matekoni thought that the business would be a csusesc

Chapter 5

5 Finish the sentences with the right words.

- church box widow airport keyboard numbers
- a The Tsolamosese family lived in a house near the old
 - b Mr Tsolamosese's probably went back to her village.
 - c The man in the office didn't know that rules had
 - d The typewriters were put in a room at the back of a
 - e There was a drawing of a on the blackboard.
 - f The money the men had paid was in a cash

Chapter 6

6 Circle the right words.

- a Mma Tsolamosese had a *pretty / pleasant / strange* face.
- b Mma Tsolamosese's daughter had died *in a car accident / in a fire / of a disease*.
- c Mma Makutsi thought that her students would complete the course *late / on time / early*.
- d The students had to write about *half a page / a page / two pages*.

Chapter 7

7 What's first? Number the sentences 1–6.

- a Mma Makutsi told Mma Ramotswe about a man she had met.
- b Mr Matekoni decided not to fix the water pump.
- c Mma Ramotswe and Mr Matekoni drove to the orphan farm.
- d Bernard Selelipeng told Mma Makutsi that he was divorced.



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- e Mr Matekoni took Puso for a drive.
- f Mma Makutsi and Bernard went for a drink.

8 Put the words in the right place to make a sentence.

- a pump noises The making was strange
.....
- b killed a catapult Puso with bird a
.....
- c drove of They bar a edge to town on the
.....
- d man Bernard's away another went wife with
.....
- e Bernard cinema to wanted at film a see the
.....

Chapter 8

9 Circle the wrong word in the sentences.

- a The apprentice handed the newspaper back at to Mma Ramotswe.
- b Mma Makutsi was checking checked something for a client.
- c The woman was a little few younger than Mma Ramotswe.
- d The woman was dressed very good well.
- e Mma Makutsi had gave given the students a test.
- f Mma Ramotswe had found something out of about Bernard.

Chapter 9

10 Write the name of the person who says or thinks these things.

- Mma Makutsi Mma Ramotswe Mr Molefelo
Mma Boko Tebogo Mma Tsolamosese
- a 'I think I'll go and see my friend because she knows everyone.'
 - b 'I'm certain that he is the right man for me.'
 - c 'She has married and now has a different name.'
 - d 'Tell him that he shouldn't worry about me.'
 - e 'You have lost weight since I knew you as a boy.'
 - f 'I will go and see her and apologise.'

11 Answer the questions.

- a What had Tebogo wanted to be when she was younger?
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- b How long did Mma Boko work for the bank?
.....
- c What did Mma Boko offer Mma Ramotswe to eat?
.....
- d How many grandchildren did Mma Boko have?
.....
- e Where did Mma Tshenyogo (Tebogo) live?
.....
- f Why was it a bad idea for Mr Molefelo to give Tebogo money?
.....

Chapter 10

12 Finish the sentences.

- a Mma Ramotswe knew that Mr Selelipeng was not going to
- b Mr Selelipeng couldn't live his own life because
- c Mma Ramotswe thought that life would be easier if God
- d Mma Makutsi was looking for someone
- e Mr Buthelezi thought the detective business was
- f Mr Buthelezi was thinking about starting a

13 Find the right words in Chapter 10.

- a Pieces of paper that can be exchanged for money. (p. 62)
- b A word you can use to describe knives and needles. (p. 62)
- c A type of meeting where people ask and answer questions. (p. 63)
- d To behave in an unpleasant way to people. (p. 64)
- e To be very surprised or frightened because you didn't expect something. (p. 64)
- f You are this when you have lost a game or an argument. (p. 64)
- g A word to describe people that are getting old. (p. 67)
- h Thinking to yourself. (p. 70)



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1 What's first? Number the sentences 1–10.

- a Mma Makutsi met Bernard Selelipeng.
- b They all went to a big party by the river.
- c Mma Ramotswe agreed to marry Mr Matekoni.
- d Bernard's wife told Mma Ramotswe about her husband.
- e Mr Molefelo told Mma Ramotswe about his ex-girlfriend.
- f A new detective agency opened.
- g Mma Ramotswe saw Mma Makutsi and Bernard in a cafe together.
- h Mma Makutsi opened a typing school.
- i Mma Ramotswe met Bernard's ex-girlfriend, Tebogo.
- j Mr Molefelo paid money to Tebogo and Mma Tsolamosese.

2 Are these sentences right (✓) or wrong (X)?

- a Mr Matekoni had a problem with his heart.
- b Mma Ramotswe was married to Mr Matekoni.
- c One of the apprentices was very interested in girls.
- d Puso killed a rabbit.
- e Mma Makutsi met Bernard Selelipeng at her typing school.
- f Bernard Selelipeng was a married man.
- g Mr Molefelo talked to his ex-girlfriend.
- h Mma Makutsi was upset that Bernard had left town.
- i Bernard gave Mma Makutsi a diamond ring.
- j The Satisfaction Guaranteed Agency was not a success.

3 Finish the sentences with the right words.

- nurse divorced thieves radio address illness
husband orphans interview church
- a Mma Ramotswe was worried that Mma Makutsi didn't have a
 - b Mma Ramotswe's two children had been
 - c attacked Mr Molefelo on his farm.
 - d Mr Molefelo stole a from Mma Tsolamosese's house.
 - e Mma Ramotswe got Mma Tsolamosese's from an office.
 - f Bernard Selelipeng told Mma Makutsi that he was

- g There was an with Mr Buthelezi in the newspaper.
- h Bernard Selelipeng's wife didn't believe he was going to every day.
- i When she was young, Tebogo had wanted to be a
- j Mma Tsolamosese's granddaughter had a terrible

4 Tick (✓) the right ending to finish the sentences.

- a Mma Makutsi
 - 1) thought that she would never find a husband.
 - 2) didn't want to find a husband.
 - 3) knew she would meet a husband some day.
- b The owner of the other detective agency thought that
 - 1) Mma Makutsi was a good detective.
 - 2) Mma Ramotswe was serious competition.
 - 3) Mma Makutsi was an unimportant person.
- c Mr Molefelo stole a radio because
 - 1) he wanted his girlfriend to get rid of a baby.
 - 2) he needed money for a business.
 - 3) he wanted the radio for himself.
- d The students in the typing school thought that
 - 1) Mma Makutsi was a good teacher.
 - 2) the classrooms were too hot.
 - 3) the lessons were very expensive.
- e Mma Potokwani said that Mr Matekoni
 - 1) didn't pay enough attention to Puso.
 - 2) paid no attention to Puso.
 - 3) was unkind to Puso.
- f Bernard Selelipeng's wife thought that
 - 1) her husband was a violent man.
 - 2) her husband was seeing another woman.
 - 3) her husband was ill.
- g Mma Ramotswe
 - 1) felt sorry for Bernard.
 - 2) thought Bernard was a bad man.
 - 3) thought Bernard should carry on seeing Mma Makutsi.