



An Inspector Calls – Social Responsibility

Comprehension Questions

Complete the following questions to demonstrate your understanding of the historical context and background of *An Inspector Calls*.

1. Indicate whether the following statements are true or false.

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| a) Priestley was a capitalist. | True | False |
| b) Priestley was a socialist. | True | False |
| c) Mr Birling believes that every man should look after himself. | True | False |
| d) Mr Birling believes that everyone should look after everyone else. | True | False |

2. Why did Mr Birling refuse to give Eva a pay rise?

3. Why did Sheila get Eva fired?

4. Explain Gerald's involvement with Eva.

5. Who is the father of Eva's unborn child?

6. Give three reasons why Mrs Birling refused to help Eva.

7. What is Inspector Goole trying to make the Birlings realise?

8. Which two Birlings are least willing to change their attitudes?

9. Which two Birlings are most open to Inspector Goole's message?

