My Early Home
1. What did Black Beauty enjoy doing in the meadow?
2. What was Black Beauty’s mother called?
3. List any two things a horse has to learn when it is broken in.
4. How do we know that Black Beauty’s first master was kind?

Birtwick Park
5. When did Black Beauty move to Squire Gordon’s?
6. What two horses did Black Beauty meet there?
7. Who gave Black Beauty his name?
8. What turned Ginger into a gentle horse?

A Stormy Day
9. What damage did the storm cause to the trees?
10. Use your own words to explain briefly how Black Beauty saved Squire Gordon and John. (No more than 25 words!)
11. How did John reward Black Beauty?

The Fire
12. How did James make Black Beauty calm enough to come out of the stable during the fire?
13. What gave Ginger the courage to let James lead her out of the stable?
14. How do we know Beauty was happy to see Ginger safe?

Joe Green
15. List three good things that we learn about Joe in this chapter.

Going for the Doctor
16. What time did they get to the doctor’s?
17. What caused Beauty to become ill?
18. Why must Squire and Mrs Gordon leave England?

Earlshall
19. Why was Beauty unhappy at Earlshall (two reasons)?
20. Why were Beauty and Ginger split up?
Reuben Smith’s Downfall

21. What fault did Reuben Smith have?

True or False:

22. Beauty fell because Reuben Smith whipped him.  T  F
23. The loose shoe came off because they were galloping too fast.  T  F
24. Beauty is given time in a meadow to rest and heal.  T  F
25. No-one blamed Beauty for Reuben’s death.  T  F

Life as a Job Horse

26. List three good things about the new home with Mr Barry.
27. What was wrong with this home, though?

The Humbug

28 – 30: Make up three ‘True or False?’ type questions about this chapter.

A London Cab Horse

31. What problems did Black Beauty have during the first week in London?
32. What was the best thing about Jerry’s?
33. What caused Jerry’s cough to get worse?
34. What job did Jerry get after he was well again?

Farmer Thoroughgood and his Grandson

35. How does Joe recognise Black Beauty?