Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde Key Quotations

Story of the Door:

On Mr Utterson – ‘cold, scanty and embarrassed in discourse; backward in sentiment; lean, long, dusty, dreary, and yet somehow lovable.’ P.3 Story of the Door

Enfield retelling the story – ‘for the man trampled calmly over the child’s body and left her screaming on the ground.’ P.4 Story of the Door

Enfield describing Hyde - ‘It was like a man; it was like some damned Juggernaut.’ P.4-5 Story of the Door

Enfield on Hyde – ‘He was perfectly cool and made no resistance, but gave one look, so ugly that it brought out sweat on me like running.’ P.5 Story of the Door

Search for Mr Hyde:

Utterson on Hyde – ‘If he be Mr Hyde,’ he had thought, ‘I shall be Mr Seek.’ P.10 Search for Mr Hyde

Utterson of Hyde – ‘Mr Hyde was pale and dwarfish; he gave an impression of deformity without any namable malformation, he had a displeasing smile.’ P.12 Search for Mr Hyde

Utterson in Hyde – ‘God bless me, the man seems hardly human! Something troglodytic, shall we say?’ Or could it be the old story of Dr Fell?’ P. 12 Search for Mr Hyde

Dr Jekyll was quite at ease:

Jekyll, reassuring Utterson, "The moment I choose, I can be rid of Mr. Hyde." P.15 Dr Jekyll was quite at ease

Jekyll to Utterson on the matter of Hyde – ‘this is a private matter, and I beg of you to let it sleep.’ P.15 Dr Jekyll was quite at ease
The Carew Murder Case:

Description of Hyde – ‘And next moment, with ape-like fury, he was trampling his victim under foot.’ P.16 The Carew murder case

Description of Hyde’s street – ‘the fog lifted a little and showed him a dingy street...and the next moment the fog settled down again upon that part.’ P.17 The Carew murder case

Description of Hyde’s home – ‘Mr Hyde had only used a couple of rooms; but these were furnished with luxury and good taste.’ P.18 The Carew murder case

Incident of the Letter:

Description of Jekyll – ‘sat Dr Jekyll, looking deadly sick. He did not rise to meet is visitor, but held out a cold hand, and bade him welcome in a changed voice.’ P.19 Incident of the Letter

Jekyll on Hyde – ‘Utterson I swear to God,’ cried the doctor, ‘I swear to God I will never set eyes on him again. I bind my honour to you that I am done with him in this world. It is all at an end.’ P.19 Incident of the Letter

Remarkable incident of Dr Lanyon:

Dr Lanyon speaking about Jekyll – ‘Some day, Utterson, after I am dead, you may perhaps come to learn the right and wrong of this. I cannot tell you.’ P.23 Remarkable incident of Dr Lanyon.

Jekyll to Utterson – ‘If I am the chief of sinners, I am the chief of sufferers also.’ P.24 Remarkable incident of Dr Lanyon.

The Last Night:

When Utterson broke down the door to reveal Hyde – ‘A dismal screech, as of mere animal terror, rang from the cabinet.’ P.33 The last night
Dr Lanyon’s Narrative:

Lanyon’s letter to Utterson – ‘O God!’ I screamed, and ‘O God!’ again and again; for there before my eyes – pale and shaken, and half fainting, and groping before him with his hands, like a man restored from death – there stood Henry Jekyll!’ *P.41 Dr Lanyon’s Narrative*

Henry Jekyll’s full statement of the case:

Jekyll’s letter to Utterson – ‘It was on the moral side, and in my own person, that I learned to recognise the thorough and primitive duality of man; I saw that, of the two natures that contended in the field of my consciousness, even if I could rightly be said to be either, it was only because I was radically both.’ *P.42 Henry Jekyll’s full statement of the case*

Jekyll on the murder of Carew - ‘My devil had long been caged, he came out roaring.’ *P.49 Henry Jekyll’s full statement of the case*

Jekyll describes how Hyde began to take over – ‘this brief condescension to my evil finally destroyed the balance of my soul. And yet I was not alarmed; the fall seemed natural, like a return to the old days before I had made discovery.’ *P.51 Henry Jekyll’s full statement of the case*

Tasks to guide your revision of key quotations:

- Group these quotations in terms of themes, e.g. secrecy, good vs. evil (duality).
- Break the quotations down to make them easier to remember.
- Choose your top ten quotations that you could use.
- Consider the different focuses that you could be asked about and decide which quotations you would use for each.
- Create cards for each theme/character using these quotations. You could draw images to help your remember them.