

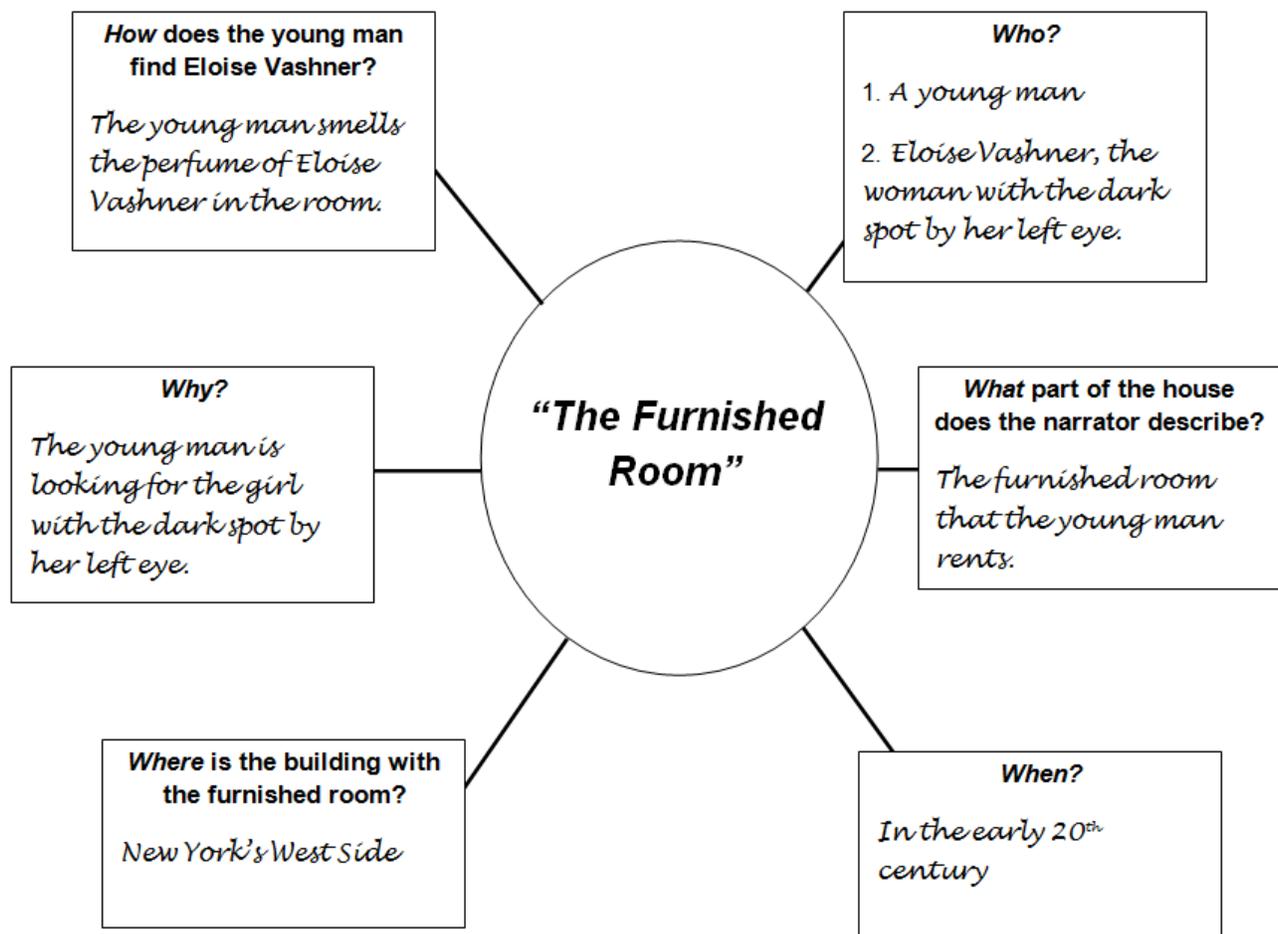
# ANSWER KEY | THE FURNISHED ROOM

## PRE-READING ACTIVITY 1: WORD SQUARES

Answers will vary.

## PRE-READING ACTIVITY 2: SUNSHINE OUTLINE

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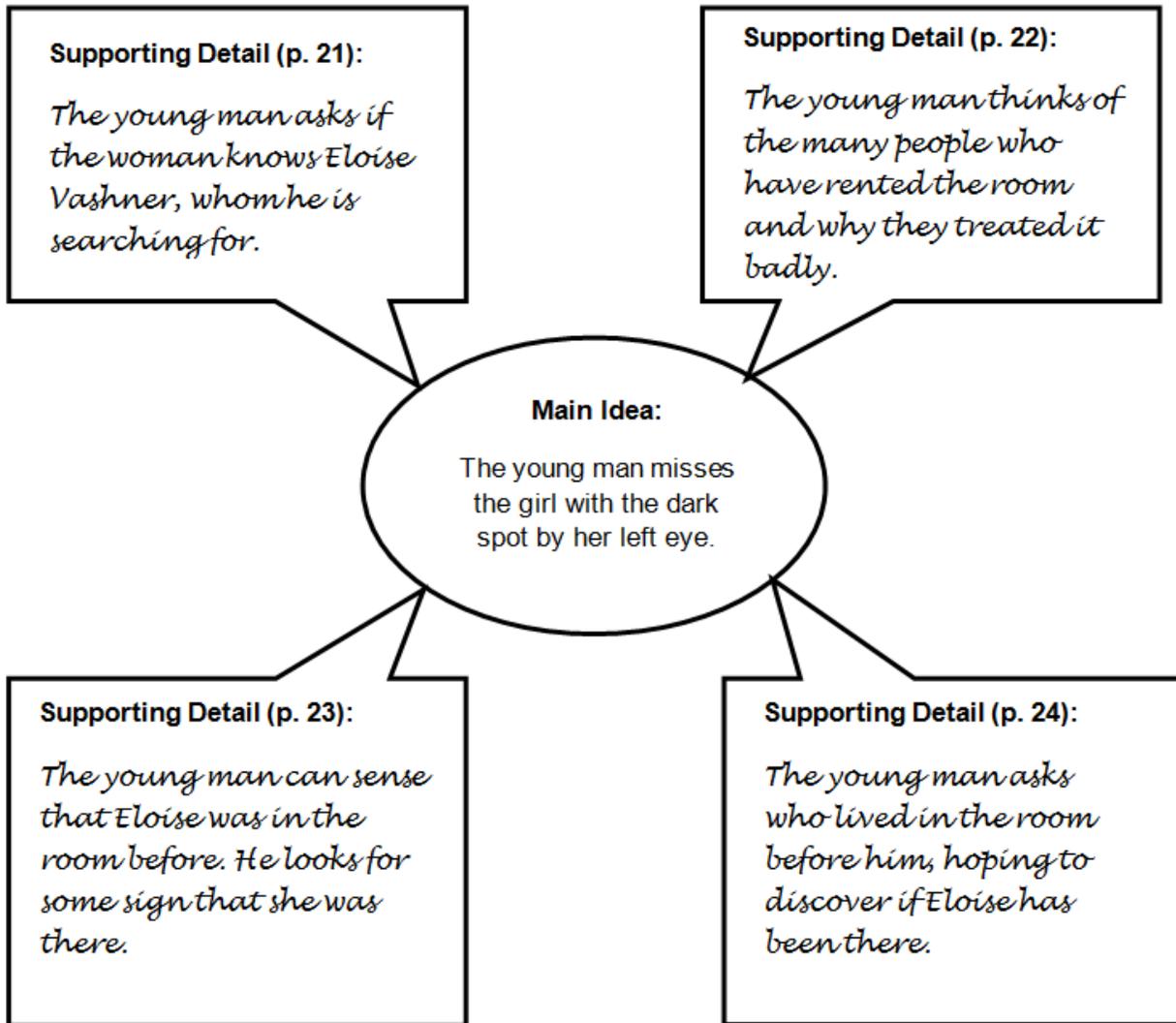
## WHILE-READING ACTIVITY 1: DRAWING THE SCENE

Items in the room include the following:

*Windows, a bed with a bedspread, two chairs with ragged covers, a mirror (looking glass), pictures, a floor covering, bright wallpaper, a fireplace, pieces of cloth, small and forgotten objects, women's hair barrette or decorative comb, a book, a gaslight, and lots of dust.*

## WHILE-READING ACTIVITY 2: SENSORY IMAGES

Page	See	Hear	Smell	Touch
21	<i>Bed 2 chairs 2 windows Looking-glass Pictures</i>	<i>The room is "telling" the young man its history.</i>	X	<i>Chair</i>
22	<i>Dust Bright wall-paper Fireplace Pictures Looking-glass Finger prints Damaged bed</i>	<i>Sounds from other furnished rooms</i>	<i>Smells from other furnished rooms</i>	X
23	<i>Small things women left behind Hair barrette Piece of cloth Book</i>	<i>Someone laughing A woman talking loudly People playing games Woman singing to a baby Someone crying Music</i>	<i>A smell of the house that was more than bad  Strong, sweet smell of a flower, mignonette, in the room</i>	<i>The breath of the house  Floor</i>
24	<i>Many small things left behind  Yellow gaslight</i>	X	<i>Smell of flowers  Smell of the house</i>	<i>Bed Tearing covers to make room airtight Putting out gaslight and turned up gas</i>



**POST-READING ACTIVITY 2: THE MAIN CHARACTER AND YOU**

Answers will vary.

Event	How does the young man feel?	How do I feel? Why
<p>1. <b>When the woman who owned the house took the young man to see the room...</b> <i>“There were places in the wall made, perhaps, to hold flowering plants. If this were true, the plants had died long before this evening. The air was bad; no flowers could have lived in it for long.”</i> (p. 20)</p>	 disappointed, sad	<p><i>This makes me feel sad, too. My home is a happy place. It makes me sad because the young man will live in a depressing place.</i></p>
<p>2. <b>When the young man asks the owner of the house if she knew Eloise Vashner...</b> <i>“A young girl – Eloise Vashner – do you remember her? Has she ever been in this house?”</i> (p. 21).</p>	 hopeful	<p>Answers will vary.</p>
<p>3. <b>When the woman replies that she does not know Eloise Vashner...</b> <i>“No, I don’t remember the name. Theater people change names as often as they change their rooms. They come and they go.”</i> (p. 21)</p>	 disappointed, sad	<p>Answers will vary.</p>
<p>4. <b>When the young man smells the flower mignonette...</b> <i>“Then suddenly, as he rested there, the room was filled with the strong, sweet smell of a flower, small and white, named mignonette”</i> (p. 23).</p>	 surprised	<p>Answers will vary.</p>
<p>5. <b>When the young man looks around the room for a sign of his long-lost love...</b> <i>“He found many small things, left by many who had used the room. But of her, who may have been there, whose spirit seemed to be there, he found no sign.”</i> (p. 24)</p>	 disappointed, sad	<p>Answers will vary.</p>