

Chapters 39–47: Nancy overhears a conversation between Fagin and Monks concerning Oliver. She decides to tell Rose Maylie, who is now in a London hotel with Oliver. She informs Rose that Monks believes Oliver to be his brother and is planning terrible things for him. Nancy arranges to meet Rose on London Bridge on Sunday night. There she tells Brownlow and Rose where they can find Monks, and what he looks like. Noah Claypole, who is hiding nearby, overhears the conversation and runs to tell Fagin. Claypole then recounts his story to Bill Sikes, who in a mad rage, batters Nancy to death with a heavy stick.

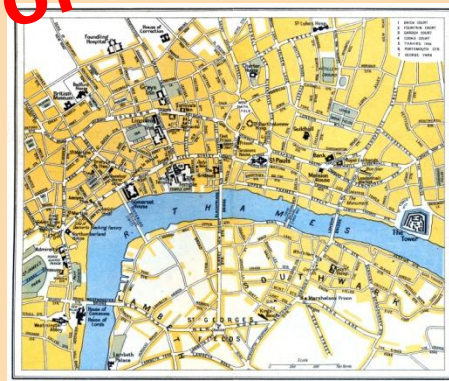
Chapters 48–end: Sikes decides to leave London, but returns with plans to escape to France. Meanwhile, Monks is brought to Brownlow's house. Brownlow tells Monks what he believes happened in the past. Monks's father separated from his wife, and fell in love with a beautiful young girl, Agnes. He planned to marry her, but died suddenly. Agnes died soon afterwards in the workhouse, after giving birth to Oliver, making Oliver Monks's half brother. Monks's father left a will giving half of his property to Oliver, a will that Monks's mother then destroyed. Brownlow accuses Monks of throwing away a locket, proof of Oliver's parentage, and of paying Fagin to turn Oliver into a thief. Monks admits to everything. Sikes later dies by accidentally hanging himself, Fagin is sentenced to death and hanged, and Oliver lives happily as Brownlow's adopted son.

The (geographical) journey that Oliver took – Places (Now and Then) in Oliver Twist:

These places can be noted (in the journal) as they are encountered.

Have the students

- ✓ write a historical description
- ✓ describe the places in modern times
- ✓ make a comparison – were things always better in the good old days?
- ✓ Draw a map or mark an existing map to show the journey



Barnet: a borough in London, formed in 1965

When Oliver escaped from the terrible undertaker, Mr. Sowerberry, he walked 70 miles to Barnet, a small town 11 miles north of London. This is where he encountered the Artful Dodger.

Whitechapel : a built-up inner city district located just over 3 miles east of Charing Cross. This is where Jack the Ripper 'operated' in 1880.

Oliver was taken to this part of East London after having been recaptured by Sikes and Nancy.