

English

Lesson 18: *Jane Eyre*

# Jane's rival

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# Who set Rochester's bed on fire?

## Option 1

Grace Poole set Rochester's bed on fire.

## Option 2

Jane set Rochester's bed on fire.

## Option 3

Nobody knows who set Rochester's bed on fire.

## Option 4

Rochester claims that Grace Poole set his bed on fire but we do not know whether this is true.



1. On the morning after the **f**\_\_\_\_, Jane meets Grace Poole.
2. Jane is amazed by how **c**\_\_\_\_ Grace looks. It seems strange that this servant was responsible for setting Rochester's **b**\_\_\_\_ on **f**\_\_\_\_.
3. Jane is also confused when Rochester does not **f**\_\_\_\_ Grace Poole from her job. He continues to employ her as a servant.



# True or false

1. Jane is not treated as a true member of the Reed family.
2. Jane does not think that she is attractive.
3. Jane has a high social status in Thornfield Hall.



## Complete the sentences

1. Rochester seems to love Jane **but...**
2. **Even though** Rochester does not love Blanche Ingram,...
3. **Whereas** Jane is 'plain-looking' and kind, Blanche Ingram is...
4. Brontë creates tension in this extract **through...**



# Extension task - How does Brontë contrast Jane and Blanche Ingram?

In your answer, you could mention:

- Their contrasting appearances
- Their contrasting social positions
- Their contrasting characters
- Rochester's feelings for each woman

