

Charlotte Bronte – Worksheet 1

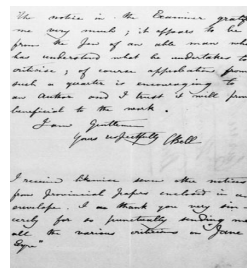
Glossary:

Approbation = praise; strong approval

Examiner = name of a newspaper

Gratified = pleased

Provincial = different areas of the country away from London



Use the letter from Charlotte Bronte to Smith, Elder and Co (1 Dec 1847) to answer the following questions:

1. Charlotte Bronte's letter is addressed to Smith, Elder and Co. How was George Smith connected to Charlotte Bronte?
2. What is Charlotte Bronte's opinion of the man who in the newspaper *The Examiner* wrote a review of her recently published novel *Jane Eyre*?
3. Give two reasons why Charlotte may have been pleased with the book review?
4. What might the letter tell us about the popularity of Charlotte Bronte's novel *Jane Eyre*?
5. Why did Charlotte Bronte sign the letter C Bell?