

The Monster gets angry!



Chapter 20: Frankenstein has just destroyed the female monster he was working on. Here is the Monster's reaction.

The monster saw my determination in my face, and gnashed his teeth in the impotence of anger. "Shall each man," cried he, "find a wife for his bosom, and each beast have his mate, and I be alone? I had feelings of affection, and they were requited by detestation and scorn. Man! you may hate; but beware! your hours will pass in dread and misery, and soon the bolt will fall which must ravish from you your happiness for ever. Are you to be happy while I grovel in the intensity of my wretchedness? You can blast my other passions; but revenge remains—revenge, henceforth dearer than light or food! I may die; but first you, my tyrant and tormentor, shall curse the sun that gazes on your misery. Beware; for I am fearless, and therefore powerful. I will watch with the wiliness of a snake, that I may sting with its venom. Man, you shall repent of the injuries you inflict." "Devil, cease; and do not poison the air with these sounds of malice. I have declared my resolution to you, and I am no coward to bend beneath words. Leave me; I am inexorable." "It is well. I go; but remember, I shall be with you on your wedding night." I started forward, and exclaimed. "Villain! before you sign my death warrant, be sure that you are yourself safe." I would have seized him; but he eluded me, and quitted the house with precipitation. In a few moments I saw him in his boat, which shot across the waters with an arrowy swiftness, and was soon lost amidst the waves.

1. Choose four colours and make a key

2. Find and Highlight:

- **Key** words and phrases connected to **isolation** ☐
- **Key** Words and phrases connected to **revenge and threatening language** ☐
- **Key** words and phrases connected to **religion and creation** ☐
- **Key** words and phrases which are **opposites** ☐

Challenge:

- Who is really the monster in this extract? Why?
- Find and label any descriptive techniques which Shelley uses to describe this encounter with the monster.

