Bram Stoker's Dracula

'Within stood a tall old man, clean shaven save for a long white moustache, and clad in black from head to foot, without a single speck of colour about him anywhere... His face was a strong - a very strong - aquiline, with high bridge of the thin nose and peculiarly arched nostrils; with lofty domed forehead, and hair growing scantily round the temples but profusely elsewhere. His eyebrows were very massive, almost meeting over the nose, and with bushy hair that seemed to curl in its own profusion. The mouth, so far as I could see it under the heavy moustache, was fixed and rather cruel-looking with peculiarly sharp white teeth; these protruded over the lips, whose remarkable ruddiness showed astonishing vitality in a man of his years. For the rest, his ears were pale, and at the tops extremely pointed; the chin was broad and strong, and the cheeks firm though thin. The general effect was one of extraordinary pallor.'

- 1. **Find** and **copy** the word that tells you that Dracula looked youthful.



2. '...His face was strong – very strong – aquiline, with high bridge of the thin nose and peculiarly arched nostrils...'.
What do you think the word 'aquiline' means in this sentence about his face?



3. What overall impression do you get about Dracula's character?



4. **Tick** true or false in the following table:

| | True | False |
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| He had a wide chin. | | |
| He had a thick, white moustache. | | |
| He was dressed in colourful clothes. | | |





Bram Stoker's Dracula Answers

- 1. **Find** and **copy** the word that tells you that Dracula looked youthful. **vitality**
- 2. '...His face was strong very strong aquiline, with high bridge of the thin nose and peculiarly arched nostrils...'.
 What do you think the word 'aquiline' means in this sentence about his face?
 Accept any of the following: angular/big/hooked/curved/large nose
 'Aquiline' means like an eagle with a hooked/curved beak.
- 3. What overall impression do you get about Dracula's character? **Own answers with reference to text, for example:**
 - fit/strong
 - tall/imposing
 - cruel/wicked
 - strange/creepy
- 4. **Tick** true or false in the following table:

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