The Penderwicks
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Who wrote *The Penderwicks*?
Jeanne Birdsall

Name the four Penderwick sisters and tell their ages.

How many pages is the story itself?
262

How many Penderwick sisters are there?
4 (p. 1)

What state is home to the Penderwick girls?
Massachusetts (p. 1)

Before their summer at Arundel, where did the Penderwicks usually go for summer vacation?
Cape Cod (p. 1)

Where is Arundel located?
The Berkshire Mountains (p. 2)

How did they happen to get lost on the way to Arundel?
Batty hid her sandwich in the map, which Hound promptly ate. (p. 2)

Put the Penderwick sisters in order, from youngest to oldest, along with their ages.
Batty-4, Jane-10, Skye-11, Rosalind-12 (p. 2)

What color is Hound Penderwick?
Black (p. 2)

What happened to the map?
Hound (the dog) ate it (p. 2)

Who is the oldest Penderwick sister?
Rosalind (p. 3)

What is Mr. Penderwicks profession?
Professor of Botany (p. 3)

What is Mr. Penderwick's job?
Professor of botany (p. 4)

What was the name of the heroine in Jane's books?
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Sabrina Starr (p. 5)

What were the books that Jane wrote? What were the other characters in the titles? The heroine was named Sabrina Starr and she rescued animals. Cricket, baby sparrow, turtle, groundhog. (p. 5)

Which Penderwick sister writes books? Jane (p. 5)

What did the man who gave the penderwicks directions have sewn on his pocket? Harry’s Tomatoes (p. 6)

What is the name of the house at number 11 Stafford St.? Arundel (p. 6)

Who is Cagney? The gardener at Arundel (p. 12)

What color was Arundel cottage? Yellow (p. 14)

How do the sisters decide who goes first to pick their rooms at Arundel? Hound Draw for Order (write name on slip of paper and drop on the floor with dog biscuit and whichever paper Hound nudges first is 1st and so on) (p. 15)

Which two sisters share a room at home (not at the cottage)? Skye and Jane (p. 16)

Which Penderwick sister likes things very tidy and organized? Skye (p. 16)

Which bedroom did Skye get? “The most perfect bedroom.” It was large, white with 2 beds. (p. 17)

What did Skye plan to do in the middle of a Sunday night? Switch from one bed to the other so she could use both of the beds in her bedroom. (p. 17)

Where was the secret passageway between Rosalind’s and Batty’s rooms? The closet (p. 19)

What other language does Mr. Penderwick speak? Latin (p. 21)

Which sister met Jeffrey first by running into him? Skye (p. 27)
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Who is Jeffrey?
Mrs. Tifton’s son (p. 28)

Who wore Butterfly wings?
Batty (p. 29)

What kind of wings does Batty wear?
Butterfly (p. 29)

How many sisters are part of MOOPS?
3 (p. 30)

What does MOOPS stand for?
Meeting Of Older Penderwick Sisters (p. 30)

What is the difference between MOPS and MOOPS?
MOPS (Meeting of Penderwick Sisters) is all four sisters and MOOPS (Meeting of Older Penderwick Sisters) is the older girls without Batty. (p. 30)

What is Batty’s real name?
Elizabeth (p. 32)

Who is Batty named after?
Her mother, Mrs. Penderwick (p. 32)

What do the girls make for Jeffrey's apology party?
Cookies (chocolate chip) (p. 38)

How many rabbits does Cagney own?
Two (p. 40)

Who was the practical Penderwick?
Rosalind (p. 41)

What does Rosalind's friend Anna have to say about boys?
"The cuter the boy the mushier the brain" (p. 41)

What animal did Cagney give to Jeffery?
An iguana (p. 47)

How does Jane describe her sisters?
Rosalind is the prettiest, Skye is the smartest, and Batty is the littlest (p. 47)

What mistake did Skye make in baking the cookies?
She turned on the broiler and shut the door (p. 49)
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What does Mr. Penderwick believe clears your head?
A walk (p. 51)

What did Batty think was beyond the gate where the barn was located?
Horses (p. 54)

What makes Batty the most shy?
Questions (p. 54)

What does Hound think a leash means?
Tug-of-war (p. 54)

What animal lived in the barn beyond the gate?
Bull (p. 55)

What is an OAP?
Oldest available Penderwick (p. 56)

Who said, “Their hearts laid bare by the near loss of a loved one, the two enemies declared a truce.” After the bull incident?
Jane (p. 63)

How were the rabbits lured out from under the couch?
Parsley (p. 69)

What was written on the sign next to the front door of the carriage house?
BEWARE OF ATTACK RABBITS (p. 70)

Which one of Cagney’s rabbits is shy?
Carla (p. 71)

What are the names of Cagney’s rabbits?
Yaz and Carla (p. 71)

What sport does Jane play well?
Soccer (p. 73)

What was Jane’s first impression of inside Arundel – what did she think it looked like?
It looked like a museum (p. 74)

What unique thing did Jeffrey have in his bedroom?
A piano (p. 75)

Why were Skye’s clarinet lessons canceled?
The neighbors complained about the practicing. (p. 75)
What does Jeffrey want to do when he grows up?
Be a conductor (p. 76)

What school does Jeffrey want to go to?
Julliard (p. 76)

In Jane’s book, what does Sabrina Starr use to rescue the trapped boy, Arthur?
Hot-air balloon (p. 77)

How did Skye and Jane escape from Jeffrey’s room when Teddy Robinette came over?
They climbed out a window and down a tree (Cagney helped them from the last branch with a ladder) (p. 78)

What food is Churchie’s specialities?
Gingerbread (p. 81)

Each time the girls see Harry, he is wearing a different colored shirt. What do the shirts say?
Harry’s Tomatoes (p. 82)

Why didn’t Jeffrey think the girls would want to come to his birthday party?
It would be in the formal dining room with lace napkins, etc. and Mr. Dupree would be there. Also, they’d have to dress up (p. 84)

Where did the girls find dresses for Jeffrey’s birthday party?
The attic of Jeffrey's house. (p. 87)

How old was Mrs. Tifton (Brenda) when her mother died?
She was 17. (p. 88)

What is Mrs. Tifton’s first name?
Brenda (p. 88)

Tifton is not Jeffrey’s mother’s married name, nor her maiden name. Where did she get it?
It was her grandmother’s (the General’s mother) last name. She refused to go back to Framley after she was divorced and her father wouldn't let her keep her married name. (p. 89)

What color of dress does Skye wear to Jeffrey’s birthday party? Black (p. 91)

What kind of dress did Jane want for Jeffrey’s party?
One flowingly romantic thrillingly dashing (p. 92)

What is Mrs. Tifton's boyfriend's name?
Mr. (Dexter) Dupree (p. 100)
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What is Jeffrey's birthday present from his mother?
A large leather golf bag and clubs (p. 104-105)

What's special about the ceiling in the dining room at Arundel?
It was painted all over by a French artist, like in the Sistine ("Sistern") Chapel (p. 107)

What does Mrs. Tifton want Jeffry to do when he grows up?
Follow in his grandfather's footsteps and become a soldier and a general (p. 111)

What schools did Jeffrey's grand father attend?
Pencey Military Academy and West Point (p. 111)

What happened to Jeffrey's birthday card?
Hound ate it. (p. 114)

What did the girls give Jeffrey for his birthday?
Rosalind & Jane (and Mr. Penderwick) – book about famous orchestra conductors, Skye – camouflage hat, Batty – photo of Hound (p. 114)

What is considered the punishment for eavesdropping?
Hearing bad things about yourself (p. 118)

What did Batty think happened to flowers when Mrs. Tifton walked by them?
They died (p. 125)

How did Yaz escape from Cagney's?
Batty forgot to latch the door when Mrs. Tifton came by (p. 130)

Which rabbit does Batty accidentally let outside? Yaz (p. 130)

What does Mrs. Tifton call Batty?
Bitty (p. 133)

What does OAP stand for? Oldest Available Penderwick (p. 141)

What is Hound's special bark of alert called?
The something-is-not-right-bark (p. 143)

When Batty couldn't find Yaz, where did she decide to go?
Home, to Cameron (p. 145)

What is the name of Batty's blue elephant?
Funty (p. 148)
When Hound found Batty, what was she about to do?
Cross the road and her father had forbidden her to ever, ever cross one herself. (p. 149)

How long did Batty walk on her trek home before hound found her?
Two hours (p. 149)

What do people do when they are lonely according to Mr. Penderwick?
They make unexpected choices (p. 152)

What Penderwick sister said that Jeffrey could marry her?
Batty (p. 153)

What is Jeffrey's nickname for Batty?
Battycakes (p. 158)

How did Skye, Jane, and Jeffrey end up in the gardens during the Garden Club competition?
They were chasing their soccer balls (p. 162)

What names did Jeffrey, Skye and Jane give their two soccer balls?
Pency and Dexter (p. 162)

What were the two presents Rosalind and Batty got for Cagney for letting Yaz escape?
A book of Civil War photographs and a bag of dandelion greens (p. 169-170)

What did Batty want to get Cagney for a present?
A rabbit calendar (p. 170)

What place did Arundel take in the Garden Competition? Who won?
Second/Mrs. Robinette (p. 173)

What instrument did Skye play that she was terrible at?
Clarinet (p. 178)

What was Batty’s “silent storm?”
Tears with no noise (p. 184)

Who told Mrs. Tifton off when she insinuated that Mrs. Penderwick had abandoned the girls?
Skye (p. 188)

What team shirt does Cagney cover Rosalind with?
Red Sox (p. 200)

What is Cagney’s girlfriend’s name?
Kathleen (p. 202)
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Why did Rosalind think herself a fool?
She gave her heart to an older boy (p. 204)

What is Skye’s favorite subject?
Math (p. 210)

What two fairy tales does Jane know by heart?
Sleeping Beauty and Snow White (p. 210)

Who said: “What did you expect me to say? It’s lousy. Now go away.” and what was he or she talking about?
Mr. Dupree said this to Jane about her book (p. 217)

What is the subject of the magazines Mr. Dupree publishes?
Cars (p. 219)

What did Mrs. Penderick consider Jane’s imagination to be?
The eighth wonder of the world (p. 220)

What is Mrs. Penderwick’s first name?
Elizabeth (p. 221)

In the Penderwick Family Honor, the girls swear to keep secret what is said between them, even from Daddy, unless . . . what?
Unless they think someone might do something truly bad (p. 225)

Who said: “I’m proud to be the wrong kind of people”?
Jane (p. 227)

Where does Jeffrey plan to run away to?
Boston (p. 228)

What is the only kind of breakfast that batty is allowed to fix herself?
Cereal without milk (p. 236)

What gifts did the girls make as farewell presents for Jeffrey?

Skye wrote D.D.D.D. on her farewell target for Jeffrey. What does this stand for?
Dreadful Dopey Dexter Dupree (p. 248)

Why did Harry wear a black shirt to say goodbye to the Penderwicks?
Because he was sorry they were leaving, he’d miss the excitement (p. 250)
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How many times did all the Penderwicks load themselves into the car to leave Arundel?
3  -....everyone slid into their seats (p. 251)
...A few minutes later, all the Penderwicks were back into the car (p. 256)
...So for the third time, the Penderwicks loaded themselves (p. 260)

What gift did Cagney give Rosalind as they were leaving?
A Fimbriata Rose (p. 255)

Who said: “Endings are sad, aren't they?”
Rosalind (p. 253)

What did Batty give to Jeffrey just before they left?
Her butterfly wings (p. 261)