

Gift of the Magi – Cloze Notes

1. The story takes place one day before _____.
2. Della only has \$ _____.
3. Della is _____ when she realizes how little money she has.
4. Della and her husband live in a “flat”, or an _____.
5. The Dillinghams were once paid \$ _____ per week, but now received only \$20 per week.
6. The full name of “Mr. James Dillingham Young” seems to say that they are rich, but they are actually _____.
7. For Christmas, Della plans to buy _____.
8. There were two possessions of the Youngs in which they both took a mighty pride: 1) _____ and
2) _____.
9. Della’s hair was so long that it reached _____.
10. Della sells her hair to a wig-maker for \$ _____.
11. Della buy’s Jim’s gift, which is a _____,
for \$ _____.
12. Della tries to fix her hair by _____.
13. Della prays that Jim will still think _____.
14. When Jim arrives, we learn that he needed a new _____
and he has no _____.
15. Jim seems _____ when he first sees Della’s new
hair cut.

16. Della quickly unwraps the gift Jim got for her, and at first she feels _____ and then her feelings change to _____.
17. Jim's gift to Della is a set of _____.
18. The irony of Jim's gift is that Della no longer has _____.
19. Jim sold his _____ to buy Della's gift.
20. The Magi were the _____ who gave gifts to the Babe (Jesus) in the manger.
21. The Magi invented the art of _____.
22. The theme of this story could be that _____ is the greatest gift.