Frankenstein chapters XI-XXI analysis questions

Answer the following questions, making sure to include supporting textual evidence (with page numbers).

Chapters XI-XVI

- 1. How does the creature get to know the family who lives in the cottage? Why is he drawn to the family? How does the family's reaction to the creature affect his view of himself and the human race?
- 2. The creature reads the epic *Paradise Lost* and compares himself to both Adam and Satan. In what ways is he like each of these characters? What specific reasons does he give for hating his creator?
- 3. How does the creature cause the deaths of William and Justine? What does the murder of William tell the creature about himself? According to the creature, what can save him from doing evil?
- 4. Create a t-chart in which you compare reasons for feeling sympathy for both the creature and for Victor Frankenstein. For which character do you feel more compassion? What techniques has Shelley employed to make you feel this way?

Chapters XVII-XXI

- 1. What arguments does the creature use to persuade Frankenstein to make the female creature? How does Frankenstein's decision affect Frankenstein's mood and personal life?
- 2. What keeps Frankenstein from completing the second creature? In your opinion, why does the creature direct his revenge to Frankenstein's wedding?
- 3. How does Frankenstein become lost at sea? What happens when he lands in Ireland? Why does he call himself Henry Clerval's murderer?
- 4. Create a t-chart that lists reasons why the events in Chapter 21 are probable or improbable.