Long ago, hospitals were different than they are today. Many were very dirty. They were full of diseases. Many patients died there. But Florence Nightingale wanted to change that.

Florence Nightingale was born in 1820. She liked books. She liked taking care of sick people. She decided to become a nurse. She went to nursing school. She was a good student.

During a war, Florence ran a hospital for soldiers. At first, it was a huge, dirty barracks. Soldiers got very sick there. She worked hard to keep them from dying. She cleaned the place. At night, she carried a lamp to light her way as she worked. She became known as "the lady with the lamp." She saved thousands of lives. Then she became sick with a disease she got at a hospital.

Florence Nightingale became an expert in the care of the sick. People from all over the world came to her for advice. She is known as the founder of modern nursing.

Vocabulary

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As you read “The Lady with the Lamp,” think about things that happen and why those things happen. Then complete the chart below.

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Summarize and Paraphrase

When we read about something, we can summarize what we read by retelling it in our own words. After reading “The Lady with the Lamp,” summarize what you read by retelling each paragraph in your own words.

Paragraph 1

Paragraph 2

Paragraph 3

Paragraph 4
Circle the letter of the best answer.

1. What is "The Lady with the Lamp" all about?
   A. working in the dark
   B. Florence Nightingale
   C. soldiers
   D. animals

2. When was Florence Nightingale born?
   A. 1820
   B. 1836
   C. 1920
   D. 1945

3. Florence Nightingale was a ________.
   A. doctor
   B. teacher
   C. soldier
   D. nurse

4. Who did Florence Nightingale run a hospital for?
   A. children
   B. animals
   C. soldiers
   D. teachers

5. Florence Nightingale is known as the founder of modern ________.
   A. medicine
   B. hospitals
   C. nursing
   D. schools