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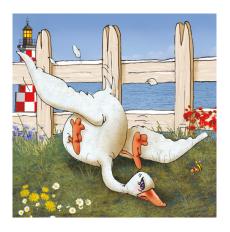
Bella Goes To Sea

Bella the goose lived with William in a cottage by the sea. William was a fisherman. He had a big garden with lots of good grass for Bella to eat. Sometimes for a treat he took Bella to the Harbour Cafe and bought her a milkshake and biscuits. But whenever William went to sea, Bella had to stay behind. "You can guard the house," he said.



Practice questions

а	What was Willi	am's job?		
	Tick one .			
	cafe owner		guard	
	gardener		fisherman	
b	When William	went awaį	y, what did he tell B	ella to do?



Bella was lonely when William was away.

She wished her wings were stronger so that she could fly after him. I will fly, thought Bella. She tried and tried... and at last she was flying perfectly.

One morning she followed William down to the harbour and out to sea. William was cross. "A fishing boat is no place for a goose," he said. But he let her stay. Bella loved life at sea.



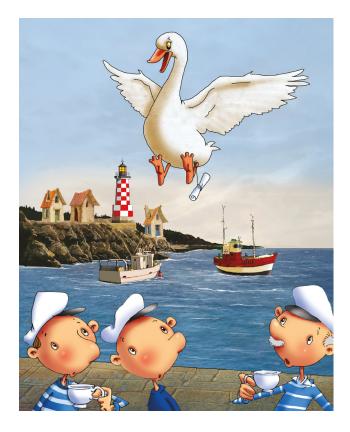
1	When Bella was learning to fly, she			
	Tick one .			
	was lazy.	did not try hard.		
	did not give up.	found it easy.	1 mark	
2	Why was William cross with Be	ella?	_ 1 mark	

In the afternoon the sky grew dark and a wild wind began to blow. It was too rough for fishing and then the engine broke down. The little boat was blown onto some rocks with a great crunch. "We're shipwrecked," said William. "Somebody will come." But nobody came. Nobody knew they were there.



Why did the boat hit th	e rocks?
The boat hit the rocks w	rith a great crunch.
This means that it made	•••
Tick one .	
a huge squeak.	a big splash.
a long creak.	a loud crash.

Next morning William wrote a message and tied it to Bella's leg. "Fly away home!" he said. I can do it, thought Bella. She flew straight to the Harbour Cafe. The other fishermen set out to rescue William and his boat. "Brave Bella!" said William. "When I get a new boat you can come with me whenever I go to sea." Bella was happy.



5 Where did Bella take William's message?



6 At the end of the story, Bella was happy. Why?



7	Number the sentences below from 1 to 4 to show the order they happened in the story.	
	The first one has been done for you.	
	William sent Bella to get help.	
	Fishermen came to rescue William.	
	The boat hit some rocks.	
	William went to sea on his boat.	(

Useful words

ruins

battles

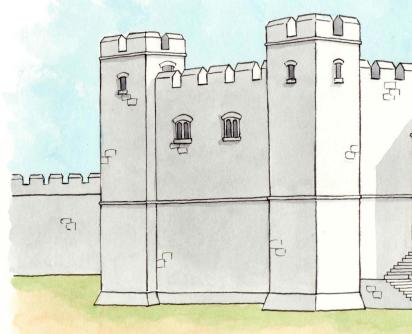
enemies

armour

LIVING IN A CASTLE

When you think of a castle, you might have stories like King Arthur in mind. You might even think of stories about princesses and dragons. But what were castles really like and who lived and worked in them?

Hundreds of years ago, when these castles were new, lots of people lived in them. The high towers and thick walls kept them safe when there were battles. Today, many castles are ruins and are falling down.



Practice questions

С	What is this text of	about?		
	Tick one .			
	building a castle		repairing a castle	
	living in a castle		looking for a castle	
d	Find and copy to of when they think		story that people mig	ht think

Lords and Ladies

A castle usually belonged to a rich lord. He lived in the castle with his family. His wife was called a lady. Their children had their own

garden to play in and lots of servants to do things for them.



Knights

Knights were important men who worked for the lord. They were skilled fighters who kept the land safe from robbers and enemies.



8 Who did most castles belong to?

Tick **one**.

jesters

lords

knights

servants

1 mark

9 **Find** and **copy one** word that shows knights were very good fighters.



10 Who did knights protect the land from?





Jesters

A jester was there to amuse the lords and ladies. He did this by singing, dancing, telling stories or even juggling.

Servants

The servants in a castle often worked from early in the morning to late at night. They did many important jobs such as cooking, cleaning and washing. They also cared for the children and looked after the gardens.

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1	mark

Tick to show what jesters and servants did in the castle.

The first one has been done for you.

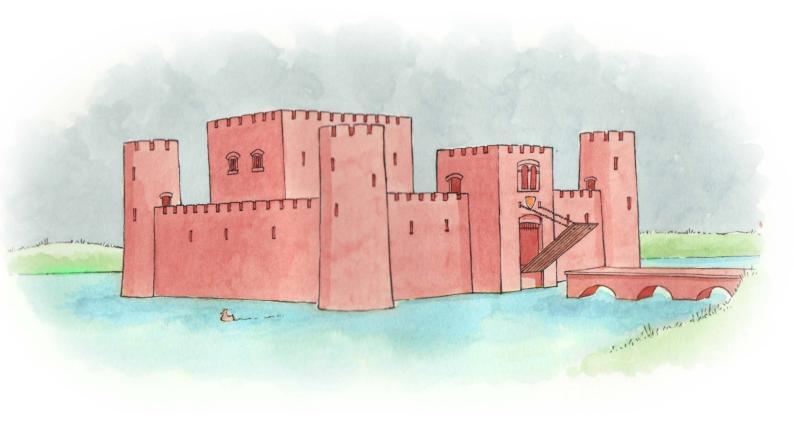
	Jesters	Servants
gardening		√
cleaning		
dancing		
juggling		
cooking		



Did you know?

Some castles were surrounded by a moat filled with deep water to stop enemies getting in. The only way into a castle was over a drawbridge which was lowered across the moat.

Castles were very noisy and smelly places. Animals roamed inside the walls and all sorts of people worked there. People who made things from metal clanged out armour and weapons, soldiers and knights practised fighting, and children played. The people who worked in the kitchens had to make dinner for all these people.



13	Why were some castles surrounded by a moat?	1 mark
14	What made castles smelly places?	1 mark
15	Give two things that people made inside the castle walls.	
	1. 2.	1 mark

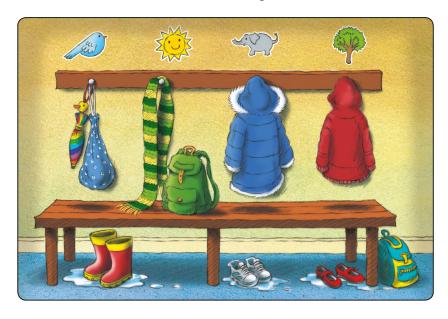
Winter Parcel

Today I'm like a parcel, wrapped up from top to toe, protected from the icy winds, the rain, the sleet and snow.

My head has got a hat on, my neck hides in a scarf, and on my hands some puppet gloves, a tiger and giraffe.

My coat is thick and furry, and does up very high. And on my feet I've special boots, to keep me warm and dry.

So though there's little of me that anyone can see, this walking, talking parcel is most definitely ME!



16	What are three types of v	veather in th	is poem?	
	1			
	2			
	3			 1 mark
17	my neck hides in a scarf			
	What does this mean?			
	Tick one .			
	The child's neck is hurting.		The child's neck is covered.	
	The child is playing hide and seek.		The child's scarf is lost.	1 mark
18	What two animals does th	ıe child weaı	r on her hands?	
	1			
	2			 1 mark

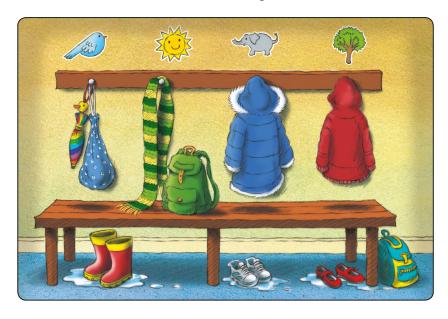
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19	Find and copy two words that show that the coat is warm.	
	1. 2.	1 mark
20	How is the child in the poem like a parcel?	Tillar
		1 mark

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