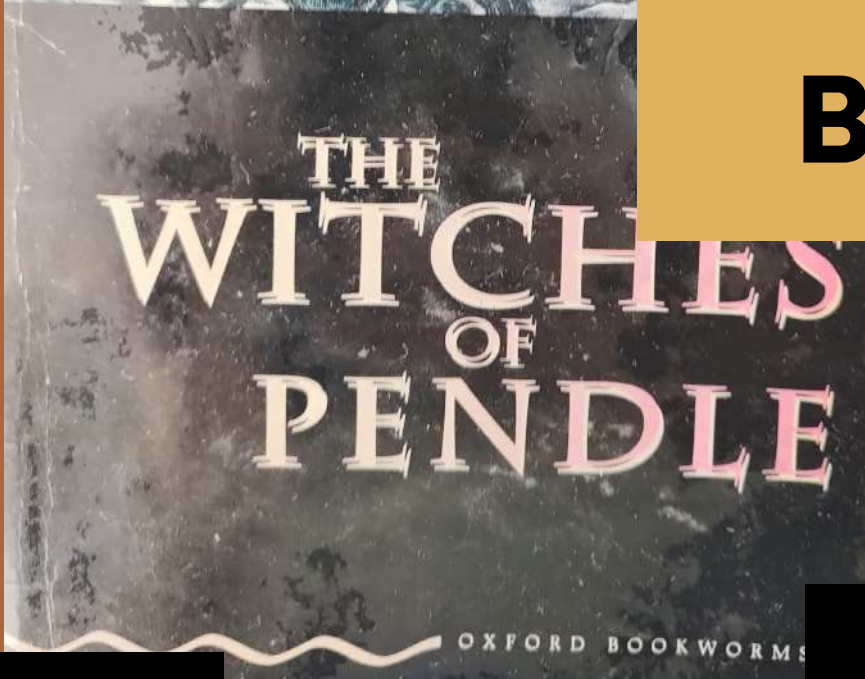


# ACTIVITY



**BOOK**

**THE WITCHES OF PENDLE**



# EXERCISES



## A Checking your understanding

### Chapter 1

Who said these words in the chapter?

- 1 'It's not true. I'm not a witch, you know.'
- 2 'Go and look for bread.'
- 3 'Give me some money, old man!'
- 4 'I'm alive, but I can't move!'
- 5 'You're a witch, and we don't want you in our village.'

### Chapter 2

Write answers to these questions.

- 1 Where did Roger Nowell live?
- 2 How old was Old Demdike?
- 3 When did Old Demdike meet the Devil?
- 4 Where did the guards take Old Demdike and Alizon?
- 5 What did James bring home from Barley?

### Chapter 3

Are these sentences true (T) or false (F)?

- 1 Jennet is afraid of her mother because she's a witch and can kill
- 2 Mr Duckworth gave James a new shirt.
- 3 Mr Nowell's men found clay pictures at Malkin Tower.
- 4 Mr Robinson killed Jennet's mother.

### Chapter 4

Who said these words in the chapter?

- 1 'It's all lies! Jennet, you're a witch - a child of the Devil!'
- 2 'My child, is this the truth?'
- 3 'I want Dandy! I want to go home!'
- 4 'You told the judge the truth about the witches.'
- 5 'Edmund Robinson and his father told the truth in London.'

## B Working with language

1 Complete these sentences with information from chapter 1 .

- 1 There are no beds or chairs in the prison and so the women
- 2 Jennet loved Pendle Hill because. ... box
- 3 Jennet didn't like Alizon's dog because.
- 4 'He's not dead,' the young man said, 'but...'
- 5 The villagers didn't want Alizon in the village because.

# EXERCISES



2 Put together these beginnings and endings of sentences.  
Check your answers in chapter 2

1. John Law was ill
- 2 but I didn't want to go back there.
- 3 because Alizon cursed him.
- 4 When I saw the fire,
- 5 Malkin Tower was my home
- 6 I wanted to go into the room, too.

3 Use these words to join the two sentences together.  
when because but and then

- 1 We went along the river. It began to rain.
- 2 Mr Nowell looked up from his book. We finished eating.
- 3 James liked Mr Nowell. Mr Nowell didn't shout at him.
- 4 'You're my daughter. You're not the daughter of my husband.'

4 Put together these beginnings and endings of sentences.  
Check your answers in chapter 4.

- 1 because of all the food at Read Hall.
- 2 but his eyes were cold.
- 3 The child told lies about Jennet
- 4 Judge Bromley was rich and important
5. because he was afraid of his father.
- 6 Jennet was fat

## C Activities

- 1 You are Alizon. Write her diary for the day of 18th March 1612, when she meets John Law,
- 2 Who do you feel most sorry for in the story? Why? Write a few lines about this person.
- 3 You are a newspaper reporter. Write two short reports about the Witches of Pendle: one for a newspaper on the 21st August 1612, and one for a newspaper today, nearly four hundred years later.



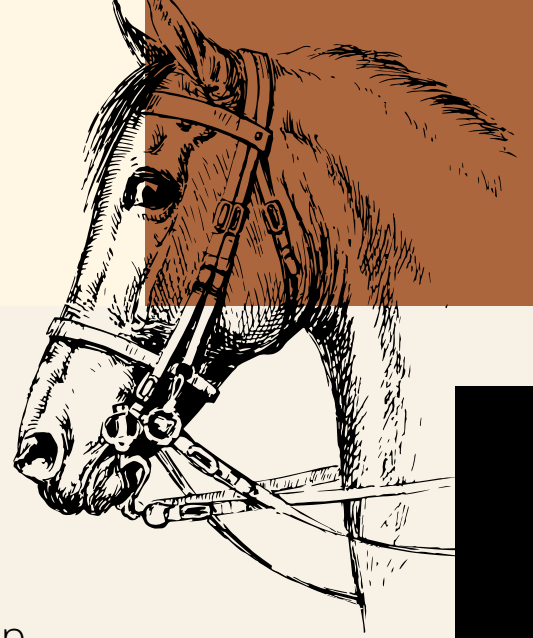
# GLOSSARY



believe to: think that something is true  
bread: cooked food made of flour  
brought: past tense of 'to bring'  
castle: a large, strong building  
church: a building where people go to pray to God  
clay: earth which is used to make bricks, pots  
clean (adj): not dirty cook (v) to heat food  
curse (v): to call for bad things to happen to someone  
Devil: a bad spirit; the enemy of God  
fall: to go down suddenly  
fell: past tense of 'to fall'  
felt: past tense of 'to feel'  
fire: something burning  
floor: the part of a room on which you walk  
follow: to come or go after someone or something  
food: things to eat  
found: past tense of 'to find'  
God: the good spirit who made the world  
grandmother: the mother of someone's mother or father  
ground: what you stand or walk on  
guard: someone who watches a prison and stops prisoners running away  
hang: to kill someone by holding them above the ground with a rope around the neck  
hate: to dislike someone very much; opposite of 'to love'  
horse: a big animal that people ride on  
judge (n): someone who decides if someone has done wrong  
kind: friendly and helpful left past tense of 'to leave'  
lie (n): something you say that is not true  
life: the time when someone is alive  
lift (v): to take someone or something up  
met: past tense of 'to meet'  
pedlar: someone who walks from place to place selling small things  
poor: with very little money; opposite of 'rich'



# GLOSSARY



prison: a place where people are locked up

pull: to move something nearer to you saw past tense of 'to see'

servant: someone who is paid to work in a house

sheep: an animal that gives meat and wool shout to talk very loudly

Take care of: to make someone happy and comfortable

thin: not fat

stood: past tense of 'to stand' org

thought: past tense of 'to think'

told: past tense of 'to tell'

took: past tense of 'to take'

trial: when a judge and other people meet to ask questions and

find out: the truth about what happened

truth the things which are true

ugly: not nice to look at; opposite of 'beautiful'

voice (n): you talk with your voice

went: past tense of 'to go'

witch: a woman who can make bad things happen to people

wore: past tense of 'to wear'

