

1.8 Frodo's Journey (NC5)

Additional exercise on the use of the active/passive voice (NC5 – U2)

Complete the sentences. Use appropriate verb tenses, in either the active or passive voice.

The Fellowship of the Ring (1. be) the first book of J.R.R. Tolkien's The Lord of the Rings trilogy, which (2. set) in a fictive world, Middle Earth. It (3. tell) the story of Frodo, a hobbit, and a magic ring.

As the story (4. begin) , Frodo (5. give) a magic ring. The wizard Gandalf then (6. tell) him of the Rings of Power and of Sauron, the Dark Lord, who (7. make) the Master Ring to rule all other Rings. Gandalf (8. advise) Frodo to leave home and keep the ring out of Sauron's hands who already (9. send) his Black Riders in search for it. Frodo's ring (10. give) Sauron the power to enslave Middle Earth.

Frodo (11. leave) the shire with three travelling companions: Sam, Merry and Pippin. First they (12. know/not) that the Dark Riders (13. pick up) their trail already. But soon the four friends (14. find out) about that.

They (15. have) a few encounters with the Dark Riders which Frodo and his friends (16. can) only just escape. In one attack by the Dark Riders, however, Frodo (17. wound) badly. Still, his friends (18. manage) to escape with him. Travelling on, they (19. reach) the country of the elves. There Frodo (20. heal) by Elrond, a half-elven.

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A council then (21. decide) that the ring (22. must / destroy) and (23. send) nine individuals, the fellowship of the ring, to the Cracks of Doom to fulfil this task. The group (24. travel) through the lands of Hollom and finally (25. come) to the mines of Moria. There they (26. have to) fight against orcs and a demon of flames called Balrog. Fighting Balrog on the bridge of Khazad-Dum, Gandalf (27. save) his friends. Gandalf himself, however, (28. drag) into the depths by the demon. The others (29. manage) to escape.

When Boromir, one of the fellowship, (30. try) to steal the ring, Frodo (31. realise) that he (32. have to) continue on his own. His dear friend Sam, however, (33. want/not) to let him go alone. So he (34. accompany) him and eventually the two of them (35. reach) the evil land of Mordor.

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