



# ENGLISH

## Chapter 13 Session A

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SECONDARY

## MYTHS AND LEGENDS

Simple Past & Past Progressive



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## Myths and Legends



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## VOCABULARY 1

### Character Adjectives

- 1 Read the words in the box and check the ones you know. Then look up the ones you don't.

brave cheerful cruel friendly  
funny kind lazy loyal  
selfish shy stubborn wise



- 2  47 Listen and repeat.

**3** Look at the characters in pictures 1-6 and choose the correct words.



- a The White Witch was **cruel** / funny.
- b Sam Gamgee was **loyal** / **cruel** to Frodo Baggins.
- c Sherlock Holmes was **wise** / cheerful.
- d Merlin the Wizard was **lazy** / **friendly**.
- e Robin Hood was **kind** / selfish.
- f Queen Boudicca was **shy** / **brave**.

**TIP**

We often use *What's he / she like?*  
*What was he / she like?* to ask about  
someone's character.



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Listen to Josh and Lane. What does Lane say about her first friend and her first teacher?

*Her friend was friendly and shy. Her teacher was kind.*





- 5 Write and answer questions about the people in the box.

first classmate   first friend   first teacher



*What was your first classmate like?*

*She was very funny.*

*What was your first friend like?*

Personal answers

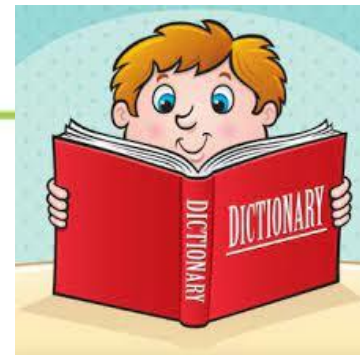
*What was your first teacher like?*

Personal answers



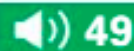
## READING 1

- 1 Check the meaning of the words in the box in a dictionary.



afraid    conquer    dangerous    fight  
pull    rule    stone    sword

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Look at the names of the people in the encyclopedia article. What do you think they are like? Read, listen and check your answers.



## British Legends

### Queen Boudicca

In 60AD, Queen Boudicca was ruling the east of England when the Romans decided to attack her people, the Iceni. Legend says that the queen was incredibly brave and she attacked the Romans in London. The Romans discovered her plan so she didn't conquer the city. But they were afraid of Boudicca – she was an extremely dangerous enemy. In fact, the Romans were planning to abandon England when suddenly they won a battle and had control of the province again. Legend says Boudicca killed herself.



## Merlin the Wizard

After the Romans left Britain, there was chaos. There were different kings and they were rivals, and people from other countries were invading. Britain needed one true and loyal king and Merlin found Arthur. He took Arthur to see a sword, Excalibur. The legend says only the true king could pull Excalibur out of the stone. Arthur pulled the sword out of the stone and he became King Arthur. But did someone like Merlin really exist? Experts say this is possible, but nobody is sure.

## Robin Hood

There are many stories about Robin Hood. He was a popular hero and he lived with his friends, the Merry Men, in Sherwood Forest near Nottingham. At that time, King Richard of England wasn't ruling the country because he was fighting in the Crusades. His cruel, lazy brother John was ruling England. Robin and his Merry Men were kind to poor people. They robbed the rich aristocrats and gave the money to the poor. But is Robin Hood fact or fiction? Nobody knows.

**3** Read the encyclopedia article again. Then write T for *true* or F for *false*.

- a ☐ F Queen Boudicca was living in London.
- b ☐ F The Romans killed Boudicca.
- c ☐ T Arthur went with Merlin to get the sword.
- d ☐ F We know that Merlin existed.
- e ☐ T John had control of the country.
- f ☐ T Robin Hood wasn't kind to rich people.



#### 4 Scan the text and answer the questions.



a What was Boudicca like?

*She was very brave and she was a dangerous enemy.*

b What happened when the Romans were planning to leave Britain?

*Suddenly they won a battle and had control of the province again.*

c Why was Arthur the true king?


*Because he pulled the sword Excalibur out of a stone.*

d Why wasn't King Richard ruling England?

*Because he was fighting in the Crusades.*

## READING STRATEGY

*Cognates* are words in English that are similar to words in your language and have a similar meaning. These words can help you understand the text as a whole.

- 5 Underline some cognates in the text.  
Personal answers.
- 6  **CLASS VOTE** Which legend do you prefer?

### Character Adjectives

**1** Complete the words with the vowels and y.

br a v e

a cr u e l

b w i s e

c st u bb o rn

d l o y a l

e l a z y

f ch e e rf u l

g sh y

h f u nn y

i k i nd

j s e lf i sh

k fr i e ndl y



**2** Write the words in activity 1 in the correct group.



positive

negative



Very  
Good

y, kind,

sh

### 3 Underline the correct words.

#### **How many of these legends do you know?**

Beowulf was a **a shy / brave** man. He sailed to Denmark and he killed a terrible monster called Grendel.

Minos was a **b cheerful / cruel** king who had a monster called the Minotaur. He fed children to his 'pet'.

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asked  
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# Excellent



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end he  
**l / loyal** to

mer who  
a magic

**4** Complete the sentences with words from activity 1.

- a** Alice always thinks about others and treats everyone very well. She's kind.





- b** My brother is always singing and smiling.  
He's very cheerful.



- c Josh would never say anything bad about his friends because he's very loyal.



- d My grandma knows a lot about the world and she always has good ideas. She's wise.



- e Our uncle never lets the dog in the house, even when it's really cold outside. He's cruel.



- f I don't like giving in to other people's opinions.  
As I'm stubborn, I never change my mind.





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