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Activities

Chapter One

Before activities

1. Look at these things. Who does them more often? Write *Men* or *Women*.

- a. Fight the army: Men.
- b. Ride a horse: Men.
- c. Stay at home: Women.
- d. Makes fires: Women.
- e. Make things to eat: Women.
- f. Wear nice clothes: Women.
- g. Put up tents: Men.

2. What about you? Tick the boxes.

- a. Can you make a fire?
- b. Do you make things to eat?

3. Mulan is a young woman from ancient China. Which things does she do well?

- She wears nice clothes.
- She stays at home.
- She makes things to eat.
- She makes cloth.

READING CHECK

Match the first and second parts of the sentences.

- a. **Mulan lives** in the village.

- b. **Mulan's father** is old and ill.
- c. **Xiong** is young.
- d. **At home Mulan** is making some cloth.
- e. **Mulan follows Sun Ying** though the village.
- f. **A crowd of people** is looking at a long list.
- g. **Mulan must** think of a plan.

WORD WORK

1. Find nine more word form Chapter 1 in the wordsquare

- plan
- market
- parents
- ancient
- join
- sells
- out
- enemy
- fight
- emperor

2. Use the words from Activity 1 to complete the sentences.

- a. The **emperor** of China is an important man.
- b. Mulan lives with her **parents**, her older sister and her younger brother.
- c. Mulan makes cloth and **sells** it at the **market** in the village.
- d. This is a very **ancient** village. It's two thousand years old.
- e. The country needs a big army to **fight** the enemy.
- f. Mulan's brother can't **plan** the army because he's very young.
- g. «What can we do tonight?» «I have a **plan**. We can go to a Chinese restaurant.»
- h. «Don't go out I can hear you very well.»

GUESS WHAT

What happens in the next chapter? Tick one box.

- c. Mulan joins the army.

Chapter Two

READING CHECK

Put these sentences in the correct order. Number them 1–8.

1. (d) Mulan runs home.
2. (b) Mulan tells her parents about her plan.
3. (h) Mulan's father gives some money to her.
4. (a) Mulan goes to the market.
5. (e) Mula buys a horse.
6. (g) Mula tells her secret to her friend Sun Ying.
7. (f) Mulan's family says goodbye to her.

WORD WORK

1. Find your words from Chapter 2 in the clothes.

- a. clever
- b. save
- c. brave d. dwhipers
- d. strong
- e. saddle
- f. place
- g. news

2. Complete the sentences with words from Activity 1.

- a. Mulan has a good plan; she's very **clever**.
- b. Mulan has some important **news**.
- c. Mulan joins the army in her father's **place**.
- d. Mulan wants to join the army and **save** the family name.
- e. Mulan isn't afraid to fight; she's very **brave**.
- f. Mulan **whispers** her secret to Sun Yin.
- g. Mulan's horse has a new **saddle**.
- h. Soldiers must walk far and fight well; they must be very **strong**.

GUESS WHAT

What does Mulan do in the next chapter? Tick the boxes.

- a. Mulan comes home after two weeks. The Emperor punishes her. **No**.
- b. Mulan joins the army. Nobody knows she is a woman. **Yes**.
- c. Mulan joins the army. She fights very bravely against the enemy. **Yes**.
- d. Mulan leaves the army. Everybody laughs because she is a woman. **No**.
- e. Mulan meets a friendly soldier - Ye Ming. He helps her. **Yes**.

Chapter three

READING CHECK

Correct the mistakes

- a. For five **two** days Mulan rides across rivers and over hills.
- b. Mulan finds thousands of soldiers next to the Red **Yellow** River.
- c. Ye Ming gives Mulan a cold hot drink.
- d. The soldiers **knows don't know** Mulan's secret.
- e. The general of the Chinese army at the whispers **cry** to the soldiers.
- f. Mulan fights at the back **in front of** the army.

- g. An enemy soldier wants to kill Mulan **Ye Ming**.
h. Ye Ming **Mulan** is now the hero of the army.

WORD WORK

1. Find words from Chapter 3 in the word.

- river
- snow
- light
- fire
- welcome
- awake
- general
- towards
- win
- next to

2. Use the words from Activity 1 to complete these sentences

- a. On holiday we don't stay in a hotel. We always sleep in a **tent**.
b. It's very dark in here. We need a **light**.
c. The Nile is a very long **river**.
d. «Do you feel cold? Come and sit near the **fire**.
e. «Is your young son **awake**?». «No, he's asleep».
f. When someone arrives at your house, you can say «welcome».
g. «Where's the market?» «Walk **next to** the supermarket and you can see it on the left.»
h. His father is a very important person in the army; he's a **general**.
i. It's very cold here in the winter and there's usually a lot of **snow**.
j. Mulan helps the Chinese army to **win** the battle.
k. Mulan always fights **towards** her friend Ye Ming.

GUESS WHAT

What happens in the next chapter? Tick the boxes.

- a. Mulan is now **a general**.
- b. When Mulan meets the Emperor, he **a horse to her**.

Chapter Four

READING CHECK

Are these sentences true or false? Tick the boxes.

- a. Mulan becomens a general in the army - True
- b. The enemy leave China - True
- c. Everybodey in China knows Mulan's secret - False
- d. The Emepror sends a message to Ye Ming - False
- e. Mulan and Ye Ming ride to the Emperor's place - False
- f. The Emperor is angry with Mulan - False
- g. Mulan wants to go home to her family - True
- h. The Emperor gives Mulan a big house - True

WORK WORD

Use the words in the horse to complente the sentences on page 25

- a. The Emperor lives in a very big **palace**.
- b. Mula is a general. She must **lead** the army.
- c. Mulan chases the enemy out of China. The country is now **safe**.
- d. A soldier gives Mula an **missage** from the Emperor.
- e. When Mulan meets the Emperor, she must **bow** in front the Emperor.
- f. Mulan meets the Emepror, she must **minister** in front of him.
- g. The Emperor is very happy with Mulan. He gives her a **fine** horse.
- h. The Great Wall of China is very **famous**. Everybody knows about it.

GUESS WHAT

What happens in the next chapter? Read the sentences and write *Yes* or *No*.

- a. Mulan tells the Emperor, «I am a woman». The Emperor is very angry with her. **No**
- b. Mulan says goodbye to Ye Ming. Then she rides home. **Yes**
- c. Mulan rides home. Ye Ming goes with her. **No**
- d. Mulan goes home but her father is dead. **No**

Chapter Five

READING CHECK

Choose the correct pictures

- a. Mulan says goodbye to (2) **Ye Ming**.
- b. When Mulan rides through villages, people (3) **look**.
- c. Mulan family make a (1) **feast**.
- d. Every day (3) **Xiong** asks, «When is Mulan coming home?»
- e. Mulan's brother puts **firecrackers** ready at the gate.

WORD WORK

Use the words in the light to complete the sentences.

- a. Mulan has a very long **journey**; she rides for days and days.
- b. When people see Mulan they **cheer**.
- c. Mulan's parents make a big **feast**.
- d. Mulan is home! She is at the **gate** on her horse.
- e. That man is a **traveller**. He rides from village to village.
- f. Xiong welcomes Mulan home with **firecrackers**.

GUESS WHAT

What happens at the end of the story? Tick one box.

- c. Ye Ming sees Mulan in her women's clothes. He loves her.

Chapter Six

READING CHECK

Choose the right words to finish the sentences.

- a. When Mulan goes to her room she puts on **a fine dress**.
- b. At the feast Mulan tells everybody about her **adventures** in the army.
- c. Mulan is **making some cloth** when Ye Ming arrives.
- d. Ye Ming stays with Mulan's family for **a week**.
- e. One day Ye Ming says to Mulan **Marry me!**
- f. In the end Mulan **marries** Ye Ming.

WORD WORKS

1. Find words from Chapter 6 in the bowls.

- a. marry
- b. explain
- c. wedding
- d. husband
- e. brush
- f. adventures

2. Use the words from Activity 1 complete the sentences.

- a. Is it an interesting book? Yes, it's about the **adventures** of a woman at sea.

- b. Can I take your photo? Yes. But I want to **brush** my hair first.
- c. Hello. I'm Maria and this is my **husband**, Tony.
- d. Can you **explain** this word to me? I don't understand it.
- e. I love you! Please **wedding** with me.
- f. This is a picture of my sister's **marry**.

PROJECTS

Project A: Things to see and do in China

1. Look at the pictures and complete the poster.

In China. . . a. You can visit **the Great Wall of China** and **the Forbidden City**. They are very famous places. b. You can go down **the Yangtze River** on a boat. c. You can eat **dumplings**; they're very good. d. People like playing **mah-jong**; it's an interesting game! e. You can buy a beautiful **china vase** to take home with you.

2. Look at these pictures of things to see and do in Japan. Write sentences about Japan.

In Japan. . . - You can visit **Tokyo Disneyland** and you can go up to **Mount Fuji**. They are very famous places. - You can eat **sushi**. - People like playing **go**; it's a very interesting game. - You can travel by **bullet train**. - You can buy a beautiful **kimono** to take home with you.

3. Write about things to see and do in your country.

In my country. . . - You can visit **the Micalet** and you can **sail a boat** by the **Albufera of Valencia**. - You can eat **valencian paella**. - People like playing **trinquet**; it's an interesting game! - You can buy a beautiful **walking stick** on the **Xativa's fair**.

Project B: A Story on Plate

1. Join the sentences with the words in brackets.

- a. Mulan makes cloth at home. Milan sells it at the market *and* *Mulan makes cloth at home and she sells it at the market.*
- b. Mulan is a young woman. Mulan is strong and brave, too, *but* *Mulan doesn't join in the army because she is a woman.*

- c. Mulan sees a list of names a tree. Mulan reads it, *but she think that her father is old and ill. He don't joing to the army.*
- d. Xiong is very young. Xiong wants to join the army, *but Xiong is a boy. Perhaps he can be a soldier when he is a man.*
- e. Mulan is a woman. Muos people don't know that, *but she can a man, she can learn to with my head up, and to shout when she talk.*
- f. Mulan fights well. Mulan becomes a hero, *and everybody cheer and her parents make a big feast.*

2. Complete these sentences with **so** or **because**

- a. China's enemy is coming nearer **so** the emperor needs an army.
- b. Mulan's father is old and ill **so**he can't fight in the army.
- c. Mulan becomes a soldier **because** she's a brave young woman.
- d. The Emeperor is happy with Mulan **so** he gives a horse to her.
- e. Mulan's brother puts firecrackers ready **because** he wnts to welcome Mulan noisily when she comes home.
- f. Ye Ming marries Mulan **because** he is in love with her.

3. Here is a story on a plate. Look at the pictures and read the story. Comlete the sentences using **and**, **but**, **because**, or **so**.

A Mandarin -an important Chinese Man- Lives with his beautiful daughter, Koong-Se. A young man, Chang, works for the Mandarin. Koonyg-Se loves Chang **but** he has no money. Every day Koong-Se and Chang meet secretly unde a tree in the garden.

One day Koong-Se's father hears about their secret. He chases Chang from the **because** he is angry with him.

After that the Mandarin says to Koong-Se, «Chang has no money **so** you can't marry him» . The Mandarin finds a new husband for Koong-Se **but** he ask hendreds of people to big weddings feast.

Everybody drinks a lot at the feast **and** the sleep very well that night.

Later Chang secretly comes to the palace in a boat **and** he quietly takes Koong-Se away. They want to go to a small island **but** the Mandarin see

them. Quickly the Mandarin chases them over the river. In the end the two lovers become two lovebirds in the sky.

- a. but
- b. because
- c. so
- d. but
- e. and
- f. and
- g. but

4. Complete these sentences to write the story of Mulan

Mulan lives in a **little village in ancient China**. Everyday she **work in her room**. She **make cloth to sell at the market**.

But one day she **sees hears a noise, she goes to the window and looks out**. **There are some people around to list of joining to army**. **In this list read that your father must join the army**. Her father can't join the army because **he is old and ill**. So Mulan thinks **«I join the army for him»**.

Mulan fights bravely and **leads the battle**. After that the Emperor thanks Mulan and **he asks her if she wants to become a minister or a big house**.

Mulan goes home but later **her friend Ye Ming goes to see Mulan**. Now Ye Ming knows about Mulan's secret and **he wants to marry Mulan, so Ye Ming asks her**.

In the end Mulan **marries Ye Ming and they live happily in the village for many years**.

GRAMMAR CHECK

1. Choose the correct word or words to complete the army rules.

- a. **Don't get up** late in the morning.
- b. **Don't leave** your clothes all over the tent.

- c. **Listen** carefully to the general.
- d. **Fight** bravely in all battles.
- e. **Run** away from the enemy.

2. Mula is leaving her family. Complete the sentences with the affirmative or negative imperative. Use the verbs in the box.

- a. «**Don't forget** your family», says her father.
- b. «**Ride** your horse carefully!» cries her mother.
- c. «**Tell** people your true name,» whispers Sun Ying.
- d. «**Wear** your soldier's clothes all the time,» says her father.
- e. «**Be** afraid!» shouts Sun Ying.
- f. «**Come** back soon and **read** my books with me!» cries Xiong.
- g. «Please **don't cry**, Xiong», says Mulan. «You can see me again soon.»

3. Complete the sentences with *can* or *can't* and the verbs in brackets.

- a. Mulan **can make** cloth but she **can't swim** well.
- b. Mulan **can ride** quickly on her horse but she **can't run** fast.
- c. Ye Ming **can't write** quickly but he **can** swim well.
- d. Ye Ming **can** paint beautiful pictures but he **can't** make cloth.
- e. Mulan **can** cook nice things to eat and she **can** paint.

4. Write questions for Mulan using words from parts A and B of the box.

- a. Can you fight bravely?
- b. **Can you ride a horse?**
- c. **Can you swim across rivers?**
- d. **Can you lead soldiers into battle?**
- e. **Can you make a fire?**
- f. **Can you sleep in a camp tent?**

5. Put the adverb of frequency in the correct place in the sentences.

- a. Children **usually** have lots of exiting plant.
- b. Mulan's horse **never** runs away.
- c. Soldiers are **sometimes** afraid in a ballte.
- d. Mulan **sometimes** makes cloth to sell alt the market.
- e. Chinese New Year is **always** very important.

6. Write the words in the correct order to make sentences.

- a. Mulan never says her true name.
- b. The Chinese men usually join army.
- c. Mulan's father is often ill.
- d. The soldiers always get up early.
- e. Mulan friend sometimes thinks about her.
- f. The Emperor is usually very happy.

7. Complete the text with *a/an* or *some*.

One day, Mulan is doing **some** work at home. She is making **a** cloth. Suddenly, she hears **some** bad news. The Emperor needs **a** soldier from every family for his big army. But Mulan's father is **a** old man and he needs **some** help when he walks.

So Mulan joins the army in her father's place. But first. she visits the market with **some** money from her father. She buys **a** horse and **a** saddle. She gets **some** bread, **an** apple and may nice things to eat for her log ride, too.

The next morning, Mulan has **breakfast** and sys goodbye to her family. She rides for two days and she suddenly sees **a** tent, too. Then sh sees a log more tents and **bigfire**. She is with the Chinese army now!

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8. Write the sentences again. Use possessive adjectives.

- a. This is *my feast* and *Ye Ming's* feast. This is **our** feast.
- b. I know *Mulan's* secret. I know **her** secret.
- c. That is *the emperor's* palace. That is **his** palace.
- d. The general is looking at *the horse's* foot. The general is looking at **its** foot.
- e. Here is *my parents'* house. He is **their** house.
- f. Do you like *Sun Ying's* new dress? Do you like **her** new dress?

9. Complete the sentences with the correct possessive adjectives.

- a. What's **your** name? I'm Sun Ying.
- b. Please meet Ye Ming, my friend from the army. He's **my** very best friend!
- c. Is your brother here? Yes, he is. That is **his** coat.
- d. The dog always drinks **its** water quickly.
- e. We live in a big house with **our** three cats.
- f. At night, the soldiers all sleep in **their** tents.
- g. Xiong has an older sister **her** name is Hua Mulan.

10. Complete the text with *a*, *an*, or *the*.

Dear Mulan How are you? Do you think about us often? You're **a** soldier in **the** Chinese army. I know, and perhaps you can't read this now. but I want to tell you some exciting news!

I've got **a** new horse and I'm learning to ride! father is teaching me. I've got **a** fine, new saddle, too. **A** horse is wonderful; it's **the** best horse in **the** village! I'm learning with **a** friend –his name is Sheng Li. Do you know him? His father is **a** teacher and they live in **a** red house next to us.

Can you write me **a** interesting letter soon? I want to hear all your news too! Love, Xiong

11. Choose the correct word or words to complete the sentences.

- a. Don't forget to **get off** your horse when it is tired.
- b. We sometime **get up** late in the morning.
- c. Don't **get off** the bed in your dirty shoes!
- d. Please help your father to **get out on** car.
- e. I feel very safe when I **get up** my horse.
- f. You're standing on my foot! Please **get off**!
- g. Mulan usually **gets out up** bed early.

12. Complete the sentences with the correct form of the phrasal verbs in the box. You can use some of the verbs more than once.

- a. Mulan **gets on** her horse and leaves the Emperor's palace.
- b. You must **get up** now! It's very late and your sister is coming home this morning.
- c. Ye Ming **get on** his horse and walks to the gate.
- d. The little girl can't see the general behind the crowd, so she **gets on** a big chair.
- e. The soldiers **get up** the tent quickly and ride towards the enemy.
- f. Father always **get up** early and goes to bed early, too.

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