Hobbit Essay

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In a book, there was a hobbit who dwelled within hole in the ground. The name of the book was called The Hobbit. It is a book made by J.R.R Tolkien and it is a combination of fiction and fantasy, due to the dragons and unrealistic events that occurred in this book. Another character in The Hobbit has the name of Gandalf, and Gandalf invites Bilbo with the dwarves to reclaim a kingdom. Gandalf says, “There is a lot more I him than you guess, and a deal more than he has any idea of himself.”

The dwarves first think that Bilbo is not worthy enough to kill the spider, but then Bilbo proves them wrong by killing the spider with his sword named Sting. In the text, the narrator says, “Somehow the killing of the giant spider, all alone by himself in the dark without the help of the wizard or the dwarves of anyone else, made a great difference to Mr. Baggins. He felt a different person, and much fiercer and bolder in spite of an empty stomach” (Tolkien 157). This quote proves that Bilbo underestimates himself and after killing the spider, he felt more brave and bold. Also, the dwarves were surprised and impressed by Bilbo for killing the spider. This is one example proving Gandalf is true to his words.

Next, Bilbo is sent to investigate a light by the dwarves and then Bilbo finds three trolls sitting around a fire, roasting a mutton. He decides to try to pickpocket one of them, trying to act like a burglar. But it goes wrong, and Bilbo gets caught while trying to pickpocket William. Bilbo then waits in the top of the bush, then Gandalf returns and frees the dwarves with Bilbo. According to the text, the narrator states, “Yes, I am afraid trolls do behave like that, even those with done something at once. Either he should have gone back quietly and warned his friends that there were three fair-sized trolls at hand in a nasty mood, quite likely to try roasted dwarf, or even pony, for a change; or else he should have done a bit of good quick burgling” (35). This shows that Bilbo is committing into pickpocketing one of the trolls, showing bravery. This is another example that shows that Gandalf is true to his word.

After that, Bilbo avoids capture by the wood-elves because he was wearing his invisibility ring. Since he was wearing the ring, the wood-elves cannot see Bilbo, giving Bilbo an opportunity to steal the keys. The other dwarves had been captured and put into separate cells. Due to Bilbo having his invisibility ring on, Bilbo steals the keys from the chief guard and breaks out dwarves from their cells. The narrator said “Then in crept the hobbit. Very soon the chief guard had no keys, but Bilbo was trotting as fast as he could along the passages towards the cell” (178). This quote means that he has stolen the keys and is about to unlock the cell doors to release his dwarf friends. Also, Thorin agrees of Gandalf’s statement when he says, “Gandalf spoke true, as usual! A pretty fine burglar you make, it seems, when the time comes.” This also claims that Gandalf is right about Bilbo having a lot more in him than people think” (179) .

Gandalf is true to his words when he said that Bilbo has a lot more in him than you guess. Also, this also shows that Bilbo has changed from being lazy, and not useful to being helpful and worthy from the beginning to the middle of the story. As demonstrated by these examples, Bilbo has helped and saved others from death, and did some pretty impressive things on his own. For example, Bilbo killed a spider and released the dwarves from imprisonment from the wood-elves. These were reasons and examples on how Gandalf spoke true to his words in chapter one, where he said that Bilbo had a lot more in him.