

GRADED READERS

EXCALIBUR



Activity Book
LEVEL 3

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A. Choose a, b or c.

- 1 Why was Britain split by war?
 - a. Because it didn't have a king.
 - b. Because the knights didn't want to have a king.
 - c. Because many knights didn't support the king.
- 2 What did Uther do in one of the battles against Lord Cornwall?
 - a. He killed Lord Cornwall.
 - b. He made an agreement with Lord Cornwall.
 - c. He decided to give Lord Cornwall his land back.
- 3 Why did Uther call Merlin?
 - a. He needed advice from Merlin.
 - b. He wanted Merlin to do something for him.
 - c. He had a bad dream and wanted to talk to Merlin about it.
- 4 Who knew it was really Uther and not Lord Cornwall in Igraine's bedroom?
 - a. Cornwall's knights
 - b. Igraine
 - c. Cornwall's daughter
- 5 What happened nine months later?
 - a. Igraine married Uther.
 - b. Igraine's husband died.
 - c. Igraine had a baby.

B. Read the following sentences and decide if they are True or False. Write T or F in the boxes.

- 1 Uther was afraid of his enemies.
- 2 Excalibur was given to Uther by his father.
- 3 Lord Cornwall wanted to be king.
- 4 Uther's knights told Uther not to kill Lord Cornwall.
- 5 Uther fell in love with Igraine the moment he saw her.

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- 6 Lord Cornwall didn't know how Uther felt about his wife. ☐
- 7 Merlin would help Uther only if Uther did something for him. ☐
- 8 Morgan had a bad dream. ☐

C. Complete the following sentences using the words in the box.

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- 1 Mrs Thompson's husband was killed _____ battle.
- 2 Last night I dreamt _____ you.
- 3 Jack is thinking _____ opening his own restaurant.
- 4 He begged her _____ give him a second chance, but she refused.
- 5 Joan woke _____ in the middle of the night and couldn't go back to sleep.
- 6 What are you going to do for me _____ return?
- 7 Sally took care _____ her grandfather when he was ill.
- 8 The little girl ran _____ her father and gave him a big kiss.
- 9 Ted screamed at me and ran _____ of the room.

D. Label the pictures.



E. Uther and Merlin are talking. Use the notes below to write their dialogue.

1 Merlin / I / need / see / Igraine
You / have / help / me

3 You / can / do / trick / and /
make / love / me
Please / Merlin / I / never /
see / such / beautiful /
woman / my life

5 I / give / you / whatever / you
/ want



2 But / she / be / marry
There / be / nothing / I / can
/ do

4 If / I / help / you / you / do /
something / me / return ?
I / want / child / you / Igraine
/ have



F. Before you read Chapter 2, try to guess what will happen.

1 Will Uther let Merlin take the baby?

2 What will Merlin do with the baby?

A. Complete the sentences with the correct name.



Arthur



Merlin



Uther



Kay



Lord Leodegrance



Sir Hector

- 1 _____ didn't realise he was being chased.
- 2 _____ brought Arthur up.
- 3 _____ wanted to show everyone that he was a good knight.
- 4 _____ was Kay's father.
- 5 _____ didn't want Arthur to be king.
- 6 _____ kept his promise that Uther's son (Arthur) would be king.
- 7 _____ was afraid and confused.

B. Put the following events in chronological order. Write the numbers 1 to 9 in the boxes.

Merlin told Arthur he would help him.

Arthur saw Excalibur and pulled it out of the stone.

Merlin and Arthur ran away.

Merlin appeared and told the truth about Arthur.

Arthur was helping Kay get ready for the competition.

Nobody could believe their eyes.

Arthur was ready to fight his enemies.

Arthur couldn't find Kay's sword.

A fight started between the knights.

C. What do the underlined words refer to?

1 They chased him and tried to catch him.

2 Uther put his sword into the stone and it remained there.

3 He told him to look after baby Arthur and to treat him like his son.

4 The knights were big and strong, but they couldn't do it.

5 You and I know he is not your son.

6 They did not want Arthur to be king.

7 Merlin promised to be there to help Arthur and to use a little magic if he needed it.

D. Arthur is thinking. Complete the blanks with words or short phrases.

I really hope my (1) _____ Kay wins the
(2) _____ today. He is really good with
(3) _____. It's not going to be easy, though.
There are so many knights here and they are all (4) _____
_____. Oh no! Where is Kay's sword? I must find it. It's
his turn to (5) _____. Where could it be? I've
looked everywhere for it. Oh, what's that over there? It's a sword
stuck (6) _____. That's strange! Never mind, I'll
just pull it (7) _____ and take it to Kay. What's
going on? Why is (8) _____ shouting? Look at all
these (9) _____ around me. What have I done?
Maybe I should just (10) _____ the sword where
I found it.

