



Robin Hood

Set 5 Story 5

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Green words

Read in Fred Talk (pure sounds).

rich which strong head little out told don't stood hood crook <u>good</u> brook shook took foot

Read in syllables.

Rob'in -> Robin a'rrow -> arrow con'test -> contest

robbing

him'self wood'en wooden

Read the root word first and then with the ending.

gi<u>ve</u> -> givi<u>ng</u> rob ->

live -> living -> lived happen -> happened

gasp -> gasped whack -> whacked

wood → woods rook → rooks

 $h_{\underline{oo}k} \rightarrow h_{\underline{oo}ked}$ $c_{\underline{oo}k} \rightarrow c_{\underline{oo}ked}$

look → looking

Red words

your who tall you of to want they be me he said my by call all one so was are

Challenge words

John bridge strength river

Robin Hood



As the storybooks will tell you,
Robin Hood lived in the woods
with his band of Merry Men,
robbing from the rich and giving to the poor.

To the rich he was a crook,

but to the poor that he helped, he was a good man.

In this story, a man called John Little brags that he can win a contest with Robin Hood.

"I am going hunting," Robin said to his Merry Men. "I will not be long."

He stepped on to the wooden bridge which crossed the fast-running brook.

On the bridge he met a man, tall, and strong-looking. (This was John Little.)



Both men stood very still.

Then Robin said, "Let me get past, will you?"
"I will not," grunted John.

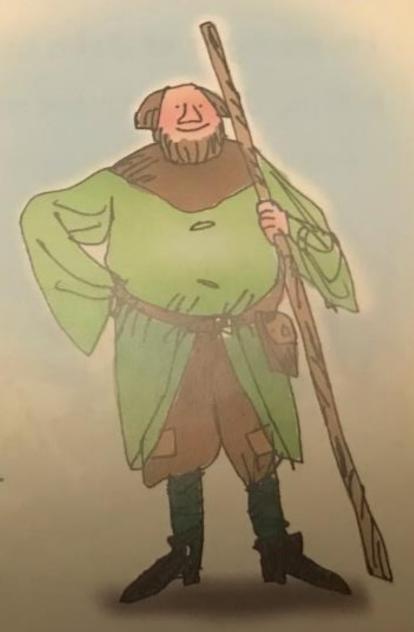
"Then I will shoot an arrow at your chest!"
Robin took an arrow from his belt.

John shook his head.

"I have only a stick in my hand," he said.

"I don't mind having a contest, but you must put that arrow back and find a stick.

Then I will set upon you, and I will win!"



So Robin cut himself a stick.

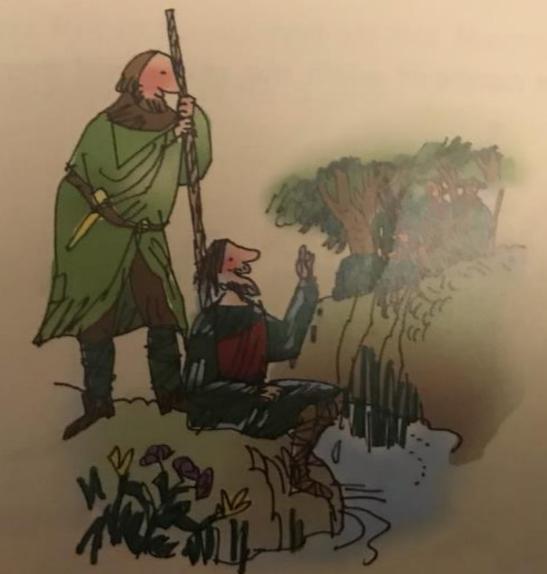
He swung it at John Little, and then sprang at him, hitting John with his stick.



John gasped, and whacked Robin with all his strength.

Robin fell off the bridge and into the brook!

Both men began to grin. John stood on the bridge and Robin stood up to his neck in the brook.



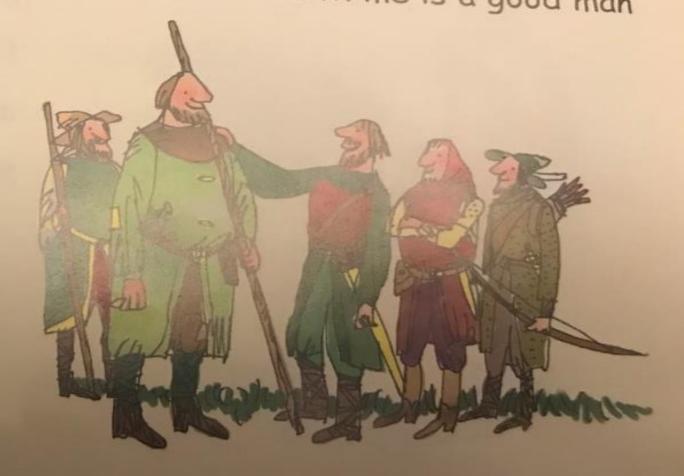
John hooked him out by the foot with his stick, and then Robin, wet to the skin, called to his Merry Men.

When Robin told them what had happened, the Merry Men wanted to push John into the brook.

But Robin said, "A man who can win a contest with me is a good man

to have for a pal.

John Little, you can be one of my Merry Men, and as you are so big and tall, we shall call you Little John!"



As they went back to the camp,
they shot ten rooks and took ten fish from the brook.

So Robin Hood and all his Merry Men had a very good lunch,
cooked by Little John!



Questions to read and answer

(Children complete without your help.)

- 1. Where did Robin Hood live? Robin Hood lived in the woods / a box / a flat.
- 2. Where did John and Robin meet? John met Robin on a bridge / in a stream / in a wood.
- 3. How did John hook Robin out of the brook? John hooked Robin out of the brook by the chest / foot / hand.
- 4. Where did the Merry Men want to push John? The Merry Men wanted to push John into the mud / sand / brook.
- 5. Who cooked lunch? Lunch was cooked by Robin Hood / the Merry Men / Little John.

Speed words

Children practise reading the words across the rows, down the columns and in and out of order clearly and quickly.

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|--|---------|--------|---------|---------|
| brook | good | shook | looking | stick |
| cooking | with | strong | head | hitting |
| helped | contest | out | all | men |
| tall | do | call | your | called |

Friday task: Write about falling out like Robin Hood and John Little (Worksheet on school website and pictured below with example)

