THE STORY OF ROBIN HOOD

Brief history of the legend of Robin Hood

The story is set in the town of Nottingham, England. Robin Hood lived in Sherwood Forest with his gang of merry men, most famously Little John and Friar Tuck. It is set in the time of King John (13th century). Robin Hood was famous for stealing from the rich to give money to the poor. His enemy was the Sheriff of Nottingham, who was infamous for making the poor people pay many taxes. Robin Hood's love interest was Lady Marion who the sheriff also loved. Robin Hood was often depicted wearing green clothes and a red feather in his hat.

1. *Read the story and fill in the spaces using the words in the box. There is one word extra that you don't need! Then listen to the story to see if your answers are correct.*

bad * castle * catch * clever * girl * goes *
have * has * his * money * poor * steals * sword

The sheriff of Nottingham is a tax collector. He lives in a big (1)_____ in the middle of England. He is very rich and very (2)_____.
Everyday he goes out collecting taxes from all the people. He collects house-tax if you (3)_____ a house. He collects horse-tax if you have a horse. He collects children-tax and even dog-tax! He takes money from everybody! The people are very (4)_____. They are very unhappy. There is only one person who can rescue them: Robin Hood.

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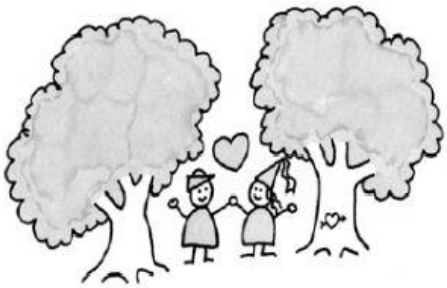

Robin Hood (5)_____the tax money from the sheriff and returns it to the poor. The people are happy again. But Robin is not happy.

He is in love with a beautiful (6)_____called Lady Marion. But Lady Marion lives in Nottingham Castle and the Sheriff is also in love with her.

The Sheriff doesn't like Robin Hood. He wants Robin Hood to stop taking (7)_____money. He wants Robin Hood to stop visiting Lady Marion.
The Sheriff has an idea. He organises an archery competition so that he can (8)_____ Robin Hood and put him in prison.
Robin Hood is very (9)_____.
He goes to the competition but escapes with all the Sheriff's money!
The Sheriff is very, very angry. He (10)_____ another idea. He takes Lady Marion and puts her in prison. Now Robin Hood cannot visit her anymore. But Robin Hood is a hero. He is not afraid of the Sheriff.
He (11)_____ to Nottingham Castle with his (12)_____ and fights the evil Sheriff. He rescues Lady Marion, marries her and they all live happily ever after!

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