

STUDENT WORKSHEET (LKPD)

Reading Narrative Text – Legend

Focus: Main Idea & Thesis (Topic) Sentence + Vocabulary Building

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Learning Objectives

- Students are able to identify the thesis (topic) sentence in each paragraph of a legend text.
- Students are able to determine the main idea of each paragraph and of the whole text.
- Students are able to understand and use new vocabulary found in the text.

Read the Legend Below

Malin Kundang: The Stone Son

Paragraph 1. Long ago, in a small fishing village on the coast of West Sumatra, there lived a poor woman and her only son, Malin Kundang. The mother worked very hard every day, mending nets and selling fish, just to give her son a decent life. Despite their poverty, she loved Malin Kundang with all her heart and always encouraged him to dream big.

Paragraph 2. When Malin Kundang grew older, he decided to leave the village to seek a better life in the city. He boarded a large trading ship and promised his mother that he would return once he became successful. His mother wept as she watched the ship disappear over the horizon, but she prayed every day for her son's safe return.

Paragraph 3. Many years passed, and Malin Kundang became a wealthy and successful merchant. He owned a magnificent ship, wore fine clothes, and married a beautiful, high-born woman. However, in his pursuit of wealth and status, he slowly forgot about the humble village and the poor mother who had raised him.

Paragraph 4. One day, Malin Kundang's grand ship finally arrived back at his home village, and his mother rushed to the harbor, overjoyed to see him again. But when she reached out to embrace him, Malin Kundang pushed her away in front of his wife, claiming that this ragged old woman could never be his mother.

Paragraph 5. Heartbroken and humiliated, the old woman raised her hands to the sky and cursed her ungrateful son. Suddenly, dark clouds gathered, thunder roared, and a terrible storm destroyed Malin Kundang's ship. Slowly, his body turned into stone, from his feet to his head, as punishment for denying the mother who loved him.

Activity 1 — Vocabulary Building

Part A. Match each word from the story (Column 1) with its correct meaning (Column 2). Write the letter of the meaning in the blank.

No.	Word	Answer	Meaning (a–h)
1	village		a. a spell intended to bring misfortune on someone
2	merchant		b. made to feel ashamed or foolish
3	wealthy		c. old and torn; in poor condition
4	harbor		d. a person who buys and sells goods for profit
5	ungrateful		e. a small community or group of houses in a rural area
6	curse		f. a place on the coast where ships can shelter or dock
7	humiliated		g. having a great deal of money or riches
8	ragged		h. not feeling or showing thanks for something

Part B. Fill in each blank with the correct word from the box.

wealthy | harbor | humiliated | ungrateful

1. After years of hard work, the fisherman's son became a very _____ businessman.
2. The old sailor told stories about ships arriving safely at the _____ every evening.
3. She felt _____ when her friends laughed at her mistake in front of the class.
4. Grandmother says it is important to be thankful and never act _____ toward those who help us.

Activity 2 — Thesis Sentence

A thesis (topic) sentence is usually the sentence that states what a paragraph is mainly about — often the first sentence. Write down the thesis sentence of each paragraph.

Para.	Thesis (Topic) Sentence
1	
2	
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Activity 3 — Main Idea (Multiple Choice)

Circle (or write) the letter of the correct main idea for each paragraph.

Paragraph 1. What is the main idea of this paragraph?

- A. Malin Kundang grows up to become a rich merchant in the city.
- B. A poor woman and her son, Malin Kundang, live together in a fishing village.
- C. Malin Kundang's mother curses him for denying her.

D. Malin Kundang marries a beautiful, high-born woman.

Answer: _____

Paragraph 2. What is the main idea of this paragraph?

- A. Malin Kundang leaves his village on a ship to find a better life in the city.
- B. Malin Kundang's ship is destroyed by a terrible storm.
- C. Malin Kundang refuses to recognize his mother at the harbor.
- D. Malin Kundang's mother works hard selling fish every day.

Answer: _____

Paragraph 3. What is the main idea of this paragraph?

- A. Malin Kundang's mother waits for him at the harbor.
- B. Malin Kundang decides to return to his village.
- C. Malin Kundang becomes rich and slowly forgets about his mother and his village.
- D. Malin Kundang curses his mother in anger.

Answer: _____

Paragraph 4. What is the main idea of this paragraph?

- A. Malin Kundang works hard to become a successful merchant.
- B. Malin Kundang's mother turns into stone.
- C. Malin Kundang sails away from his village for the first time.
- D. Malin Kundang denies and humiliates his mother in front of his wife at the harbor.

Answer: _____

Paragraph 5. What is the main idea of this paragraph?

- A. Malin Kundang becomes a wealthy and respected merchant.
- B. Malin Kundang's mother forgives him for his mistake.
- C. Malin Kundang's mother curses him, and he turns into stone as punishment.
- D. Malin Kundang promises to return to his village one day.

Answer: _____

— Good luck! —