

Frankenstein

Reading

1. In 1817, Mary Shelley, her husband, and her friends went to Switzerland for a **holiday**. One night, there was a terrible storm. There was a lot of rain, **thunder**, and **lightning**. Mary Shelley and her friends could not go outside, so they decided to sit inside and tell **ghost stories**. Each person told a story, but Mary Shelley could not think of a story to tell.
2. That night, while Mary Shelley was in bed, she thought of a scary story. The next day, she decided to start writing the story down. One year later, when she was 19 years old, she finished writing her story. She called her new book *Frankenstein*.
3. Many people think *Frankenstein* is one of the best stories ever written. It is one of the first science fiction books. In the book, a **scientist** created a man. Then the scientist became afraid of the man he **created**. The scientist called him a **monster**. Later, the monster killed his family. It is a story about people, science, and responsibility.
4. There have been many movies made about the Frankenstein monster. Most of these movies are very different from the book. While many of the movies are for children, the book by Mary Shelley is for adults.



Reading Comprehension

Answer the following questions using complete sentences.

1. Where did Mary Shelley go for a holiday?

2. Who did Mary Shelley go to Switzerland with?

3. There was a terrible storm one night.
What was the weather like?

4. Mary Shelley and her friends couldn't
go outside. What did they decide to do?

5. Did everyone tell a story?

6. When did Mary Shelley think of a story?

7. Did she think of a funny story?

8. How old was Mary Shelley when
she finished writing her story?

9. What did she call her new book?

10. Is *Frankenstein* one of the first love stories?

11. What did the scientist in the book create?

12. What did the scientist call his new creation?

13. Who did the monster kill?

14. Have there been many movies made
about the Frankenstein monster?

15. Are these movies the same
as or different from the book?

Vocabulary Review

A. Unscramble the Words

Unscramble the words below from the story.
Then write one original sentence for each word.

#	Word	Unscrambled	Sentence
1	olhdiay		
2	untdehr		
3	gtiilhng		
4	tgohs ssreiot		
5	tiencsist		
6	stomnre		
7	tecare		

B. Find the Words

Now find the words from the exercise above in the word search to the right.

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q s y s f e r y l e t l y
a t c c a t b i z e h i t
h o l i d a y t d m l g m
s r r s o r a s l n n h o
d m s r c t u a f a o t n
s r e c b i h s a d p n s
f c r o s s e u h h h i t
c r e a t e f n n e d n e
f s e e b r n s t d l g r
v i m h n l l y w i e d n
o v t r i t p a s e s r o
e e z e r h o s u o r t p
b g h o s t s t o r i e s
x o p s t e w m q i r s i

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Answer Key

LESSON DESCRIPTION:

In this lesson, students learn about Mary Shelley's famous story, *Frankenstein*. They also answer comprehension questions and review vocabulary from the reading.

LEVEL: Low Int – Int

TIME: 1 hour

TAGS: Frankenstein, Mary Shelley, story, monster, easy readers, reading, vocabulary

Reading Comprehension

1. Mary Shelley went to Switzerland for a holiday.
2. Mary Shelley went to Switzerland with her husband and her friends.
3. There was a lot of rain, thunder, and lightning.
4. Mary Shelley and her friends decided to sit inside and tell ghost stories.
5. No, Mary Shelley couldn't think of a story to tell.
6. Mary Shelley thought of a story that night while she was in bed.
7. No, she thought of a scary story.
8. Mary Shelley was 19 when she finished writing her story.
9. She called her new book *Frankenstein*.
10. No, *Frankenstein* is one of the first science fiction stories.
11. The scientist in the book created a man.
12. The scientist called his new creation a monster.
13. The monster killed the scientist's family.
14. Yes, there have been many movies made about the Frankenstein monster.
15. Most of these movies are different from the book. Also, most of the movies are for children, while the book is for adults.

Vocabulary Review

A. UNSCRAMBLE THE WORDS

Sentences will vary.

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| 1. holiday | 4. ghost stories | 7. create |
| 2. thunder | 5. scientist | |
| 3. lightning | 6. monster | |

B. FIND THE WORDS

q	s	y	s	f	e	r	y	l	e	t	y
a	t	c	c	a	t	b	i	z	e	h	t
h	e	l	i	d	a	y	t	d	m	l	g
s	r	r	s	o	r	a	s	l	n	n	h
d	m	s	r	t	u	a	f	a	o	c	n
s	r	e	c	b	i	n	s	a	d	p	n
f	c	r	o	s	s	e	u	h	h	h	t
e	r	e	a	t	e	f	n	e	d	n	e
f	s	e	e	b	r	n	s	t	d	l	g
v	i	m	h	n	l	y	w	i	e	d	n
o	v	t	r	i	t	p	a	s	e	s	r
e	e	z	e	r	h	o	s	u	o	r	t
b	g	h	o	s	t	s	t	o	r	i	e
x	o	p	s	t	e	w	m	q	i	r	s