

I. Read the story The Little Red Riding Hood and answer the questions.**The Little Red Riding Hood**

Long ago, there lived in the forest a lovely girl and her parents. The girl looked so pretty in a scarlet cloak that was made by her mother so everybody called her Little Red Riding Hood. One day her mother told her to bring some cakes to her grandmother who lived in the heart of the wood. The girl met a cruel wolf when she was picking some flowers on the way to her granny's house. The wolf asked her about the grandmother's house then quickly came to swallow her granny. After that, he dressed like her grandmother, got into bed and waited for the girl. A little later, Little Red Riding Hood reached the house and she was frightened at her granny's look. "Granny, what a great nose you have!", she said and the wolf replied "All the better to smell with, my dear,". Then the girl said "Granny, what large eyes you have!". "All the better to see with, my dear," he replied. Finally, the girl said "Oh, Granny, what great teeth you have!". "All the better to eat you up with," shouted the wolf. He jumped out of bed and was about to eat her up, but at that time a woodcutter who was working in the forest heard her scream and ran to the house. The woodman killed the wolf then saved the granny and took Little Red Riding Hood home safely.

a, Choose the best answer for each questions**1. Where did the story take place?**

- A. in a long time ago
- B. in the granny's house
- C. in the forest
- D. on the way to the granny's house

2. Who are the characters in this story? Choose MORE THAN ONE option.

- A. The Granny
- B. The father
- C. Little Red Riding Hood
- D. The villager
- E. The woodman

3. Where did the grandmother live?

- A. Near Little Red Riding Hood's house
- B. Far from the wood
- C. in the middle of the forest
- D. Near the forest

4. How was the wolf described?

- A. Very poor but pretty
- B. Very unkind and fierce
- C. Hard-working and brave
- D. Magical and enchanted

5. Why did the wolf dress like Red Riding Hood's granny after swallowing her?

- A. To try out the grandma's clothes
- B. To hide from the woodman
- C. To eat up Little Red Riding Hood
- D. To become the granny of Red Riding Hood

b, Now, fill in each blank with one given word, using the past simple or the past continuous if necessary.

wicked - brave - pick - time - come - pretty

Main character: Little Red Riding Hood - lovely and (1) , Red Riding Hood's grandmother, the wolf - a cruel creature, the woodman - kind and (2) .

Plot - beginning: Once upon a (3) , there was a girl called Little Red Riding Hood living with her parents in the forest.

Plot - middle: One day she visited her granny's house in the heart of the wood. When the girl (4) the flowers, she met a (5) wolf and told him about her granny's house. The wolf quickly ran to swallow her grandmother then waited for eating up Red Riding Hood.

Plot - end: When the wolf was about to eat up her, a woodcutter (6) to kill him and saved Red Riding Hood and her grandmother.

II. Read the following text and choose the option A, B, C or D to complete the following statements.

Ali Baba, a poor woodcutter was in the forest when he saw forty thieves stop in front of a cave.

The leader said "Open Sesame!" and before Ali Baba's amazed eyes the sealed mouth of the cave magically opened and the men disappeared inside. To come out and close the entrance, the leader said "Close Sesame and the cave sealed itself once more. Trembling with excitement Ali Baba waited till the thieves had left and then entered the cave after saying the magic words. To his delight he found lots of treasure.

Ali Baba told his brother Kasim about the wondrous cave. Kasim set off to get some treasure for himself too. Sadly, he forgot the words to leave the cave and the thieves killed him. Ali Baba discovered his brother's body in the cave. With the help of a slave girl called Morgiana, he was able to take Kasim's body back home and bury it.

Realising that someone else knew about their cave the thieves tracked Ali Baba down. The leader, disguised as an oil seller stayed with Ali Baba. He had brought along mules loaded with forty oil jars containing the other thieves. Clever Morgiana knew who the oil seller really was and poured boiling oil into the jars killing the other thieves. While dancing in front of the leader of the thieves Morgiana stabbed him. Ali Baba was saved and lived happily ever after.

(Source: <http://shortstoriesshort.com>)

1. Ali Baba knew the magic words because _____.
A. he heard it by chance B. the thief told him
C. Kasim let him know D. Morgiana taught him
2. Ali Baba said the magic words and _____.
A. he entered the cave without any sound
B. the thieves came back
C. the cave still closed
D. the cave opened
3. Kasim was killed by the thieves because _____.

- A. he didn't give the thieves treasure
 - B. he forgot the magic words
 - C. he didn't agree to enter the cave
 - D. he was Ali Baba's brother
4. Ali Baba was able to take Kasim's body back home and bury it thanks to _____.
A. the thieves' kindness B. his ability and cleverness
C. Morgiana's help D. Kasim's letter
5. The phrasal verb "**track down**" in the last paragraph most probably means _____.
A. go and see B. meet and talk
C. search and find D. come and take
6. Morgiana killed the leader of the thieves when she was _____.
A. dancing B. pouring oil
C. asked about Ali Baba D. living with Ali Baba

III. Read the text and decide whether the following statements are True (T) or False (F).

Sindbad is one of the characters from the Arabian Nights, a collection of Middle Eastern stories narrated by Scheherazade, the wife of a Persian king named Shahryar. The story, however, was not a part of the original 14th century manuscripts of the Arabian Nights. It is believed that European translators added it during the 17th and 18th centuries.

The tale is about a merchant called Sindbad (also spelled Sinbad), who lived during the third Islamic caliphate. The stories of Sindbad's adventures are filled with details of giant birds, sea monsters, whales as big as an island, goddesses, and evil fictional characters that are appealing to children and even adults.

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