1 Read and order.

The Story of King Arthur

This is the story of King Arthur. Unfortunately, it got mixed up. Look at the pictures on pages 26 and 27 of your Classbook and match each picture to the correct paragraph of the story. Write your answers in Excalibur below.

a. Merlin had an idea. He took the King's special sword called Excalibur and pushed it into a stone. 'This will be a test,' he said. 'Only the true King of England will pull out the sword.'

b. One morning, Arthur was going to a sword fight in London with the knight and his son. Suddenly, the son realised he had forgotten his sword and asked Arthur if he could find one for him.

c. A long time ago there was a King of England called Pendragon. He had a baby son called Arthur. The King was very worried because he thought his son was in danger. King Pendragon was a kind man, but he had lots of enemies. He asked a wise man called Merlin to look after his son and teach him everything he knew.

d. One day, Merlin decided that Arthur needed to live with a family. He gave Arthur to a kind knight who promised to look after him. Arthur left Merlin and went to live with the knight and his son.

e. When Arthur pulled the sword out of the stone, he gave it to the knight. The knight read the words on the sword: 'The person who pulls out this sword is the true King of England'. The people started shouting with joy – they had found their new king.

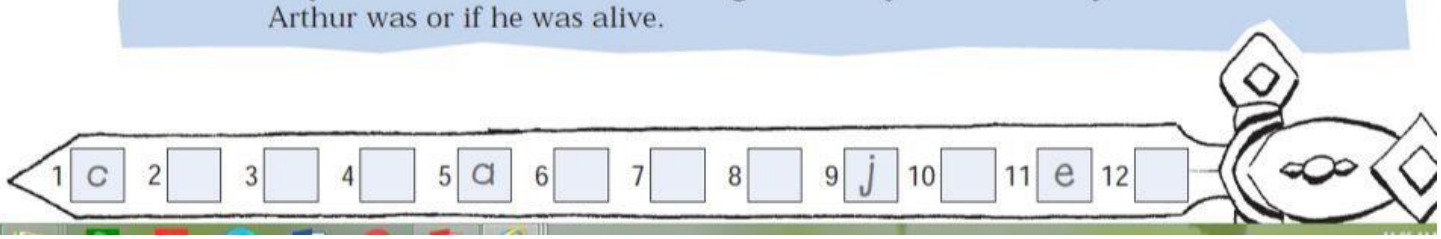
f. Many strong knights tried to pull the sword out of the stone, but no one could do it.

g. Arthur was a very good, brave king and the people loved him. King Arthur and his knights sat at a round table. The people of England called them 'The Knights of the Round Table'. They were very famous.

h. Arthur was returning home when he saw the sword in the stone. He went up to the sword and pulled it out of the stone. Then, he ran back to the knight and his son to give them the sword.

i. Merlin taught Arthur how to do many things. He taught him how to read, how to ride a horse, how to fight and many other important skills.

j. When the knight saw the sword he asked Arthur where he had found it. Arthur explained that he had found the sword in a stone. The knight, his son and Arthur went back to the stone. The knight put the sword back in the stone and asked his son to try and pull the sword out. While his son was trying to pull the sword out of the stone, people started watching what was happening.

k. The knight asked Arthur to try and pull the sword out of the stone again. The people were watching him very carefully. Arthur stepped up to the sword and very gently started pulling it out of the stone.

l. When Arthur was only fifteen, King Pendragon died. The people of England were very worried. 'Who will be our King now?' they asked. Nobody knew where Arthur was or if he was alive.