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READERS

A detailed illustration of Robin Hood in a forest setting. He is shown from the side, aiming a longbow at a target. He wears a green hooded cloak over a brown tunic with a leather belt and a pouch. A quiver of arrows is on his back. The target is a wooden board with a bullseye. The background is a lush green forest.

# ROBIN HOOD

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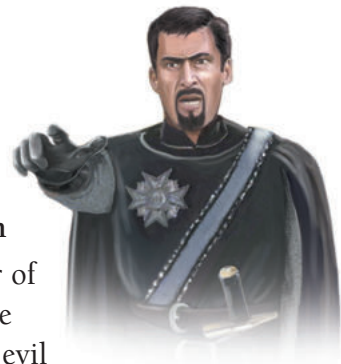
### The Plot

The evil Sheriff of Nottingham arrests Robert, Earl of Huntingdon on his wedding day and gives his castle, land and title to Sir Guy of Gisborne. Robert escapes to Sherwood Forest and meets a group of men who fight against the Sheriff. Robert becomes their leader and changes his name to Robin Hood. So the adventures begin as they fight against the Sheriff, Sir Guy of Gisborne and Prince John, King Richard's evil brother.



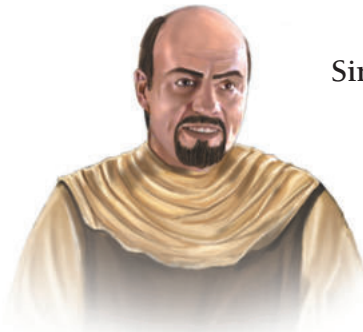
### Robin Hood

Robin Hood is a clever and brave man and a great archer, too. Together with his men in Sherwood Forest he fights his enemies and helps poor people.



### The Sheriff of Nottingham

The Sheriff is the ruler of Nottingham and Prince John's friend. He is an evil man who takes money from poor people. He hates Robin Hood.



### Sir Guy of Gisborne

He is an evil man and a friend of Prince John and the Sheriff of Nottingham. He gets Robin's home, land and title.





### Maid Marian

Marian is a kind, gentle woman who loves Robin Hood.



### Will Scarlett

Will is a brave young man and a leader of the outlaws before Robin Hood arrives in Sherwood Forest.



### Little John

He is a brave, honest man. Robin calls him Little John as a joke because he is very tall!



### Friar Tuck

He is strong and brave. He is a man of God but not a fool, as Robin soon learns!



### King Richard

He is the true king of England and Prince John's brother. He is an honest man and a friend of Robin Hood.



## 1. ARREST HIM!

It's a summer morning in 1193. Robert, Earl of Huntingdon (Robin Hood), is in church with Marian. It is their wedding day.

Do you, Robert of Huntingdon, take this woman, Marian Fitzwalter, to be your wife?

1

I do.

Do you, Marian Fitzwalter, take this man, Robert of Huntingdon, to be your husband?

2

I...

You are an enemy of the King!

3

Stop the wedding!

It's the Sheriff of Nottingham ...

4

Me? King Richard's enemy?! Never!







### *Before Reading*

- 1 The following sentences are from episode 5. Can you guess what happens in this episode?

- 1 We can't find him in Sherwood Forest.
- 2 Yes! An archery competition.
- 3 I'd like to win the silver arrow.
- 4 It's a trap. Don't go.
- 5 Well done, old man!
- 6 You fools! That's Robin Hood!



### *While Reading*

- 2 Read or listen and check your guesses in exercise 1.
- 3 Read again and answer the questions.
  - 1 What is Gisborne's plan?
  - 2 Where's the archery competition?
  - 3 What does Will Scarlett tell Robin to do?
  - 4 Who sees Robin first in the competition?



### *After Reading*

- 4 Read and listen, then take roles and act out the episode.
- 5 How do you think Marian, the Sheriff and Gisborne feel when they see Robin?
- 6 Imagine you are in the archery competition. Describe what you see and what is happening.





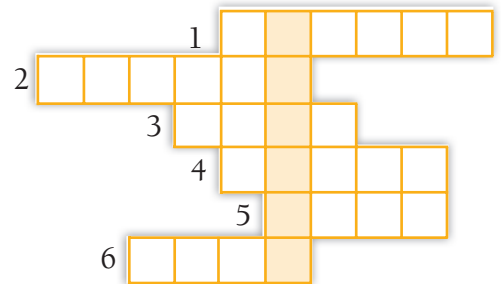
### Before Reading

- 1 Look at the title and the pictures. What do you think is happening in the story?



### While Reading

- 2 Read or listen and check your guesses in exercise 1.
- 3 Read the episode again, then read the sentences and say who the words in bold refer to: *the Sheriff, Gisborne, Marian, Marian's father, Robert, the outlaws*.
  - 1 They want to catch him.
  - 2 He wants to marry her.
  - 3 They put **them** in prison.
  - 4 He asks **him** where **she** is.
  - 5 They take **her** to **him**.
- 4 Complete the puzzle to find what Marian does in this episode.
  - 1 The outlaws tell Robin about the king's ... .
  - 2 They bring Marian and her father to the Sheriff.
  - 3 The news is that the king is ... .
  - 4 Gisborne wants to ... Marian.
  - 5 Gisborne has a ... to find Robin.
  - 6 Marian doesn't ... Gisborne.



### After Reading

- 5 Read and listen, then take roles and act out the episode.
- 6 Look at picture 4. How do you think Marian feels? Why?
- 7 In pairs, act out a short dialogue between Marian and her father while they are waiting in the room in picture 5.



# ROBIN HOOD

*Robin Hood and his merry men steal from the rich to give to the poor because the evil Prince John rules England while his brother, King Richard, is out of the country. Can Robin and his friends beat the Prince and save the crown for Richard?*

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- Audio CD



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