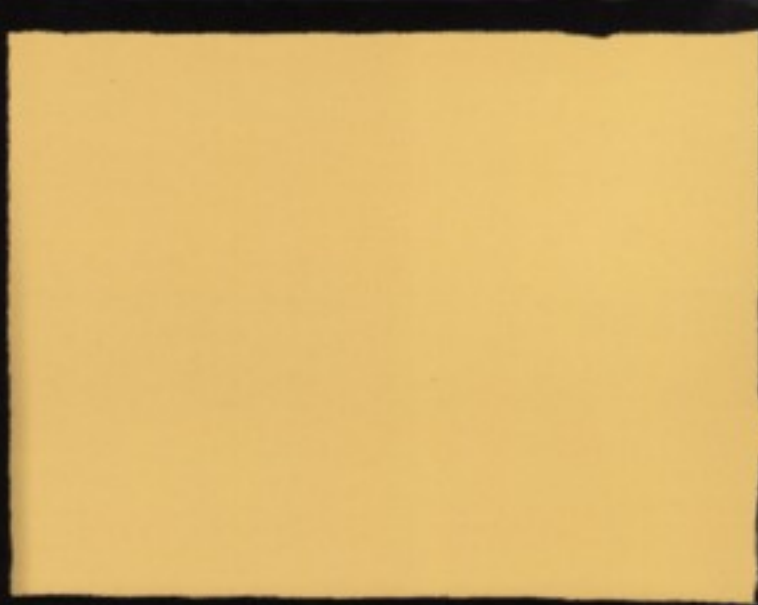


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DIRECTIONS ▶

In each question, there are three words. Decide which word is a compound word. Then mark the space for the answer you have chosen.

SAMPLE A

handsome afternoon pumpkin
A B C

1

carpenter hurricane suitcase
A B C

3

snapshot willow persuade
A B C

2

special lifeguard volcano
A B C

4

servant command footsteps
A B C



The Castle

"A long time ago in a land far away, there was a queen and a castle. The castle had all the things that make castles wonderful, like a drawbridge and a moat, but it was empty then. I don't remember who found the castle, but I'm sure that whoever it was ran right home to tell the others."

"Where did you find such a wonderful place?" Jenna asked.

"Oh, it wasn't wonderful at first," her grandmother answered. "But we moved in as soon as we discovered it, and in no time at all it had lace curtains, a velvet carpet, and a window to the sky."

"But where *was* the castle?" Ricky asked.

"In the forest, of course," his grandmother answered. "It got very dark there, and animals came around from time to time."

"Weren't you afraid?" Jenna asked.

"I had my knights in shining armor to protect me," her grandmother said. "Sometimes I protected them, too!" she added, laughing a bit. "We always took care of each other."

"What did the knights look like?" Ricky asked. Ricky imagined them just like the knights of King Arthur.

His grandmother got out some pictures. She flipped through them.

"Here are my knights," she said smiling, showing a picture to the children.

There were two boys in the photograph, dressed all in gray. They were tramping through the forest in big black boots. In the background stood the castle. The grandmother explained that they had to straighten the carpet each time one of them lifted up the boards they used for a drawbridge and climbed up the ladder they had placed on the large, thick trunk.

"Where is the queen?" Jenna asked, quite delighted with her grandmother's story. The old woman just smiled. The children knew that the queen was right in front of them, telling stories.





1

What did the author think you might have known before you read the passage?

- A Where the grandmother lived
- B Who King Arthur was
- C Why the castle is in the forest
- D What the grandmother did when she was young

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Which of the following helps you understand that the castle was not real?

- A It was in the forest.
- B It had boards for a drawbridge.
- C It had lace curtains.
- D It was a long time ago.

2

Why did the grandmother decide to move into the "castle"?

- A It had knights.
- B It needed carpet.
- C It looked dark.
- D It was empty.

5

Grandmother's tone as she tells the story shows that she —

- A had a good imagination
- B was a lonely child
- C believed she was a queen
- D did not know what was real

3

What was it that Ricky and Jenna's grandmother calls a castle?

- A The house where she lived
- B A building down the street
- C A treehouse in the woods
- D A palace she visited

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What makes the grandmother's story a fairy tale?

- A It happened a long time ago.
- B It was set in a land far away.
- C It had a queen and two knights.
- D It happened in a make-believe land.

DIRECTIONS ►

In each item, there are three words. Decide which word is a compound word. Then mark the space for the answer you have chosen.

1

acrobat disgust armchair
A B C

3

tomato rowboat distant
A B C

2

homeroom natural realize
A B C

4

spotlight endurance furniture
A B C

DIRECTIONS ►

Read each question and choose the correct answer. Then mark the space for the answer you have chosen.

1

construct structure destruction

The word part struct must have something to do with —

lift build study
A B C

2

In which word does mis mean badly?

mistake missile dismiss
A B C