

Bookfolio for **The Sword in the Stone**

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Recommended for: [Grades 5-8](#)

Classification: Fiction

Genre: [Legends and Folktales](#)

Story Summary: Kay and Wart, young boys growing up in the Middle Ages on Sir Ector's manor, spend their days preparing to become noble knights, learning to joust and hunt. When Merlyn, a marvelous magician, agrees to become the boys' tutor, strange and exciting things begin happening. Merlyn transforms the eager Wart into different species so that he might learn valuable lessons. Wart swims in the castle's moat as a fish, spends an evening among the hawks whom he admires, and even listens to the dreams of the majestic trees of the forest when he becomes an owl. Both boys assist Robin Hood in an adventure and even battle the terrible griffins. Wart's destiny is revealed when he alone is able to remove a sword imprisoned in stone and becomes King Arthur, noble ruler of England.

Read-aloud Recommendation: Chapter 3, pages 27-40.

**The skills for each activity are identified by the following abbreviations:
R=Reading, W=Writing, S=Speaking, L=Listening, D=Drawing**

The Sword in the Stone - Independent Activities	Skills
1. Pulling Out the Sword (Comparing two versions)	R , W
2. A Note of Thanks (Writing a letter)	W
3. A New Perspective (Writing an adventure)	R , W
4. A Majestic Vision of Terror (Illustrating a creature)	D
5. Owls (Researching a topic)	D , R , W
6. The Middle Ages (Researching a topic)	R , S , W
The Sword in the Stone - Group Activities	Skills
1. Crossing Genre (Comparing two genre)	S
2. Many Visions of King Arthur (Comparing different versions)	R , S
3. Innumerable Adventures (Writing an adventure story)	S , W
4. Birds of the Mews (Researching a topic)	D , R , W
5. A Medieval Manor (Making a model)	D , R , S
6. "Let's Talk About..." (Discussing the story)	L , S

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