

Bookfolio for **The Children of Green Knowe**

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Recommended for: [Grades 4-6](#)

Classification: Fiction

Genre: [Fantasy](#)

Story Summary: Tolly has mixed emotions about staying with his great-grandmother until he realizes that the intriguing ancient manor house called Green Knowe is a real castle and that it is "partly his." Tolly is fascinated with the picture of three children that hangs over the fireplace. Mrs. Oldknowe, his great-grandmother, tells Tolly stories of Toby and his pony Feste, of Linnet and her chaffinch, and of Alexander and his flute. Mysterious but delightful things begin happening as Tolly realizes that the spirits of these children, who lived in the house in the seventeenth century, are still about. Tolly is thrilled to have playmates. Christmas is joyful for him as he prepares special gifts for the children and Mrs. Oldknowe, and learns that he can spend all of his holidays with them.

Read-aloud Recommendation: pages 42-52

The skills for each activity are identified by the following abbreviations:

R=Reading, W=Writing, S=Speaking, L=Listening, D=Drawing

The Children of Green Knowe - Independent Activities	Skills
1. Dear Diary (Writing a diary entry)	W
2. Tales for Tolly (Writing stories)	W
3. The Children of Your Family (Writing a new chapter)	S , W
4. Owls: Wise or Vicious? (Writing a report)	R , S , W
5. You Be The Illustrator (Illustrating story characters)	D
6. The Plague (Writing a report)	R , S , W
The Children of Green Knowe - Group Activities	Skills
1. Guides to the Rescue (Discussing elements in fantasy)	S , W
2. A Winter Wonderland (Presenting a Story Theater)	D , S
3. A New Edition (Planning a new edition)	D , W
4. Another Adventure (Converting a story episode into a play)	S , W
5. Fantastic Characters (Making a poster)	D , S
6. "Let's Talk About..." (Discussing the story)	L , S

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