

THE SECRETS OF GRINDLEWOOD – BOOK 1

CLASS WORKSHEET 1 – Chapters 1- 5

FACT FILE: WITCHES, WIZARDS AND WARLOCKS

Witches are female, wizards are male and warlocks are usually male too.

So, what is the difference between a wizard and a warlock?

All magical people can be either good or evil.

Warlocks are usually loners, skilled in dark magic, evil potions, sinister spells, poisons and experiments – so they are often “the bad guys” in stories.

In Grindlewood, the Wandelei witches and wizards are “the good guys”, with one or two exceptions that will be revealed in later books! The Worfagon warlocks are “the bad guys” and their current leader, Worfeus, is particularly nasty!

READ AND WRITE

Describe the duel between Wanda and Worfeus. Give as many details as you can.

Describe what Jamie and Jemima see when they arrive at Grindlewood.

Describe what Jamie and Jemima look like.

Think of how Timber and Teddy might have met as a puppy and a kitten.

Luke has disappeared. Where might he be? (He will return later in Book 2!)

What do you think Worfeus is really up to?

LET'S DRAW!

A witch or a warlock

A map of Grindlewood garden

The front of Grindlewood House

One of the cats and one of the dogs

The snowy owl

CREATE YOUR OWN STORIES

Write a story about a magical clan. What are they called? What do they look like?

Where do they live? What kind of magic can they do?

Write a story about your first visit to a forest or a park: What was special about it? What time of year was it? What did you like best about it?

Write about your pet, or a pet that belongs to someone you know. Describe it in detail. What type of pet is it? What does it look like, sound like and smell like?

What is its name? How do you look after it?

BOOK 1 - CLASS WORKSHEET 2 – Chapters 6- 15

FACT FILE: GRINDLEWOOD

Grindlewood has always been a special, magical place. Non-magical people live in or near the village. The magical people, the Wandeleis, live mostly underground now, but some of them still reside in the village where they run some of the local shops. (The other locals don't know they are magical!) The Grindles big old house is over two hundred years old. One of their ancestors built it and their father, Greg, was lucky to inherit it.

READ AND WRITE

Have you ever moved house like the Grindles? What was it like?

What did the snowy owl tell the other animals and birds about Grindlewood, and why did he return?

Who else do you think might be enchanted, and what sort of magic can they do?

Can Cyril, the heron, be trusted?

Where might the secret scroll be hidden?

LET'S DRAW!

The rainbow butterflies

The hedgehog trundling through the forest

The warty frog sitting on a lily pad

Lots of different flowers blooming in a garden

CREATE YOUR OWN STORIES

Write a story about bees and how they build a hive and collect pollen from flowers to make honey.

Write a story about your favourite character in Grindlewood.

Write a story about a secret scroll. What is written on it? Who wrote it? Where is it hidden? Why is it so important?

BOOK 1 - CLASS WORKSHEET 3 – Chapters 16- 24

FACT FILE: TIMBER, THE ALASKAN MALUTE

Timber is an Alaskan malamute. Malamutes are often confused with huskies, but they are much bigger, stronger dogs and only have brown eyes – huskies can have brown or blue eyes. They love to play in the snow and their thick coat keeps them warm and dry. They can even sleep outside at night!

Malamutes are pack animals, which means they love to belong to a group of dogs or people! They are loyal and friendly pets that need plenty of room to run around and play. (See information sheet below)

READ AND WRITE

Describe the fairy house and the well. What was Wanda doing there?

Make up a potion that Wanda might have made. Give it a name. What are the ingredients? What is it for?

How would you have helped Jamie and Jemima fight the giant rats?

Describe all the brave things that Timber does in the garden.

What is the golden eagle up to?

LET'S DRAW!

Timber howling

A ladybird and a beehive

The secret scroll and the crystal key

Giant rats

Timber pulling the sled through the snow

CREATE YOUR OWN STORIES

Write a story about a secret cottage like the fairy house. What does it look like?

Where is it and how did you find it? What is special about it?

Write a story about a super-spell. (Try to write the spell as well!) Who wrote it and what is it for? What will happen if the spell is cast?

Write a Christmas story with Jamie, Jemima, Timber and Teddy.