

## Robin Hood British tales

People have told stories about Robin Hood for more than 700 years. Nobody knows if he was a real person or an invented character. In the legends, Robin was extremely intelligent and had a playful sense of humour. He loved playing tricks on people.

**'Pick a card, any card!'**

The stories say that Robin Hood was a skilled archer and he always carried a bow and arrow.

**'Ha ha, too easy!'**

He wore green clothes and a hat with a green feather. He lived in Sherwood Forest with a group of outlaws, or criminals, known as his 'Merry Men'. The group included Friar Tuck, **'Mmm, yummy!'**,

Little John, who was unusually tall, **'Little is just my nickname!'**, and Robin's true love, Maid Marian. **'Take that!'**

Sherwood Forest was a royal hunting forest near Nottingham in England. Most people thought that forests were dangerous places to go. People travelling through the forests were often robbed by outlaws.

**'Your money, please, my Lord!'**

**'Oh no, it's Robin Hood!'**

The stories say that Robin Hood only took money from rich people so that he could give it to people who needed it. So he became famous for 'robbing from the rich and giving to the poor'.

**'Here you are, my dear.'**

**'Oh, thank you, Robin!'**

The Sheriff of Nottingham was Robin's arch-enemy. It was the sheriff's job to keep the woods safe and to make sure that nobody stole the king's deer.

**'What's that? Is that Robin Hood?'**

The Sheriff of Nottingham tried to catch Robin Hood, but never succeeded.

**'Oh no, not again!'**

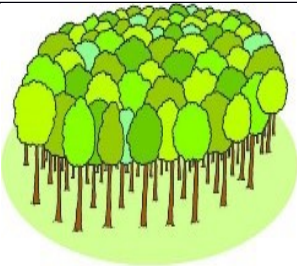

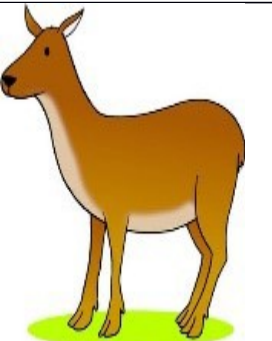


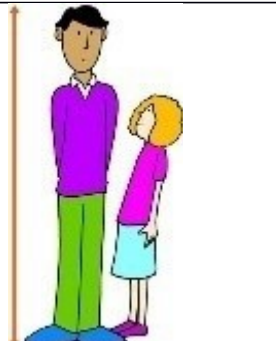


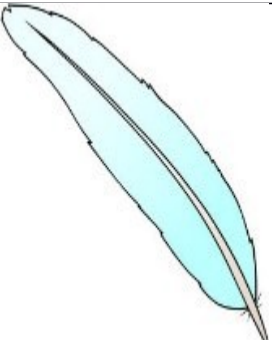



Centuries ago people loved to tell each other stories of Robin Hood. Later he became a famous character in books, and nowadays Robin is still a well-loved hero in literature, theatre, TV and films.



# 1. What's the word?

Write the word under the pictures.

archer feather forest criminal tall rob money rich poor sheriff king deer

					
	archer				
					

## 2. What's the order?

Put the sentences in order.

	The Sheriff of Nottingham was Robin Hood's arch-enemy.
	The stories say that he was extremely intelligent and a skilled archer.
1	People have told stories about Robin Hood for more than 700 years.
	Robin Hood is a well-loved hero in literature, theatre, TV and films.
	He took money from rich people so that he could give it to people who needed it.
	Nobody knows if he was a real person or an invented character.
	The Sheriff of Nottingham tried to catch Robin, but never succeeded.
	He lived in Sherwood Forest with a group of outlaws known as his 'Merry Men'.

### 3. Choose the answer!

Read the sentence. Circle the correct answer.

- a. People have told stories about Robin Hood for more than years. 600 / 700 / 800
- b. He always carried a bow and . sword / stick / arrow
- c. Little John was unusually . tall / short / clever
- d. Maid was Robin's true love. Mary / Marian / Margaret
- e. Most people thought that forests were places. dangerous / safe / exciting
- f. Robin was famous for 'robbing from the rich and giving to the '. sheriff / poor / king
- g. The Sheriff of Nottingham tried to Robin Hood. help / teach / catch
- h. Centuries ago people loved to tell about Robin Hood. secrets / facts / stories

### 4. Write and draw!

Are there stories about someone in your country who could be a real person or an invented character? Write about them and draw a picture!

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