

Your Name:

Tall Tales

Session Two - Workbook



Strange Sightings Reported!



What's going
on? let's
investigate!

Creative
PATHS

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Glastonbury Tor



- This iconic hill has been a spiritual magnet for centuries, for both Pagans and Christians.
- Tales have grown out of history, becoming blended and embellished leaving the truth, whatever it was, literally lost in the mists of Avalon.
- Beneath the hill, it is said, that there is a hidden cave through which you can pass in to the fairy realm of Annwn. There dwells the lord of the Celtic underworld Gwyn ab Nudd with the Cauldron of Rebirth.
- Later tradition has it that here lies the Holy Grail brought here by Jesus's uncle, Joseph of Arimathea. The Cauldron and the Grail were both the object of quests for King Arthur and his knights.
- Glastonbury has a long tradition of being 'The Isle of Avalon' where King Arthur went after his last battle. The monks of Glastonbury Abbey claimed to have actually found his grave in 1191.
- The hill rises 158m above the surrounding flat land and rewards those on the top with a 360-degree view. The distinctive shape is due to a combination of unusual geology and artificial terraces.

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INTRODUCTION

The Magic of Merlin



The powerful wizard Merlin is depicted with many magical powers, including the power of shapeshifting, and is well-known in mythology as a tutor and mentor to the legendary King Arthur, ultimately guiding him towards becoming the king of Camelot.

If you were a wizard, what kind of magical powers would you like? What would you use them for?

What do you think a wizard would look like?
What kind of outfit would they wear?

Wizards are often depicted as having a very long beard, so as to appear 'wise'. How do you feel about very long beards? Wouldn't it be itchy?

Merlin foretold a series of prophecies about Britain. The most significant of these was about two dragons fighting one another, meaning that the future kings of Britain would drive the Saxons out of their country, but inevitably, the Saxons would overcome the Britons and rule over Britain. The red dragon represents the Britons, while the white dragon was seen as the Saxons.

Do you believe in prophecies and fortune telling? Have you ever had your fortune told? What did it say?



DISCUSSION ACTIVITY

Colour me in!



QUICK ACTIVITY



SIR. LAVNC ELOT.
AND. THE. WITCH.
HELLAWES.

**Sir Launcelot and the
Witch Hellawes by
Aubrey Beardsley (1870)**





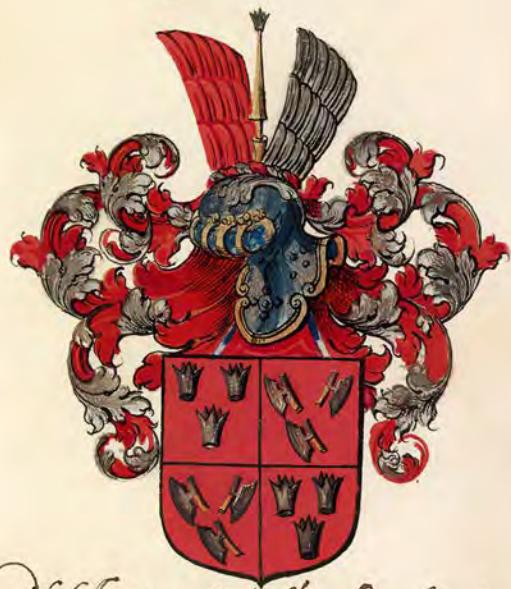
KING ARTHUR ASKS THE LADY OF THE LAKE FOR THE
SWORD EXCALIBUR

Pour parachever l'endure.



M. Simonis Agnacis ergo crepsi
nobis domino Cornelio Basio,
Johannes ab Grotius

L'estre, sans sembler.



Nobili viro domino Cornelio Busio
Avunculo suo, observantia ergo scribebat
anno 1621
J. Doublet.



Tout ainsi que l'or on esprime
Au feu avecq la Céphale
Ainsi le bon amy se trenue
En temps d' Adversité, fidèle
Contentement suffit
Georg. de Lennip



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Johannes ab Grotius

Coat of Arms



Materials:

Scissors
Glue
Pens or paints
Small decorations
Cardboard for backing

Instructions:

Photocopy the templates on the next page, onto card is best.

Plan out what you want to symbolise your coat of arms.

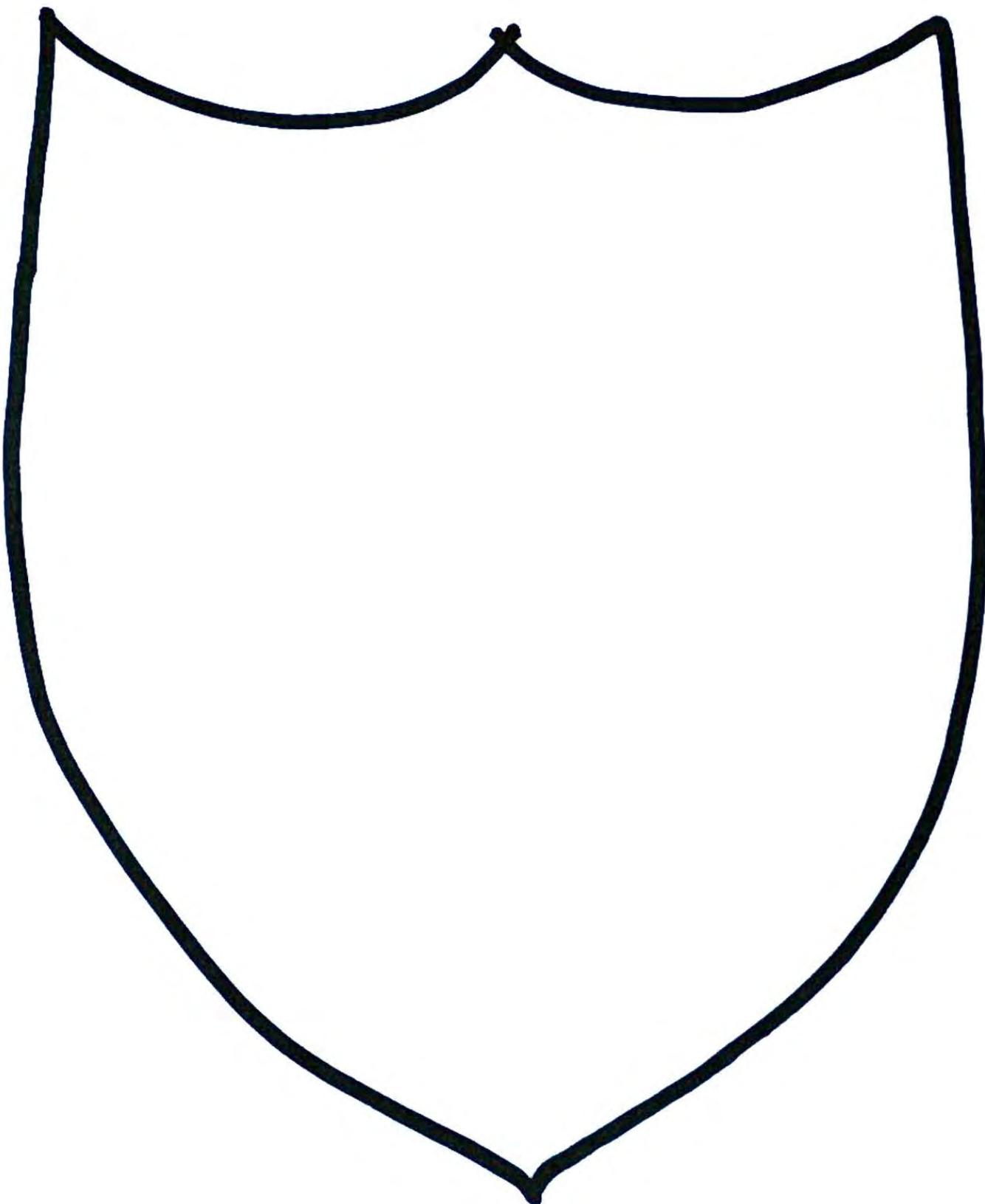
Colour in and decorate the shields, then cut out and mount them on a large piece of cardboard. Add a motto.

Ideas:

A fun thing to do would be to create a coat of arms for your care setting. You could base it on the name, and ask people what they would want the motto to be to capture the values the place embodies.

MAKING ACTIVITY

Templates



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Animal Symbols

FOX
DEFENCE

DEER
HARMONY

SWAN
HARMONY

BIRD
PRIDE



BEAR
FIERCE

SNAKE
WISE

TURTLE
INVUNERABLE

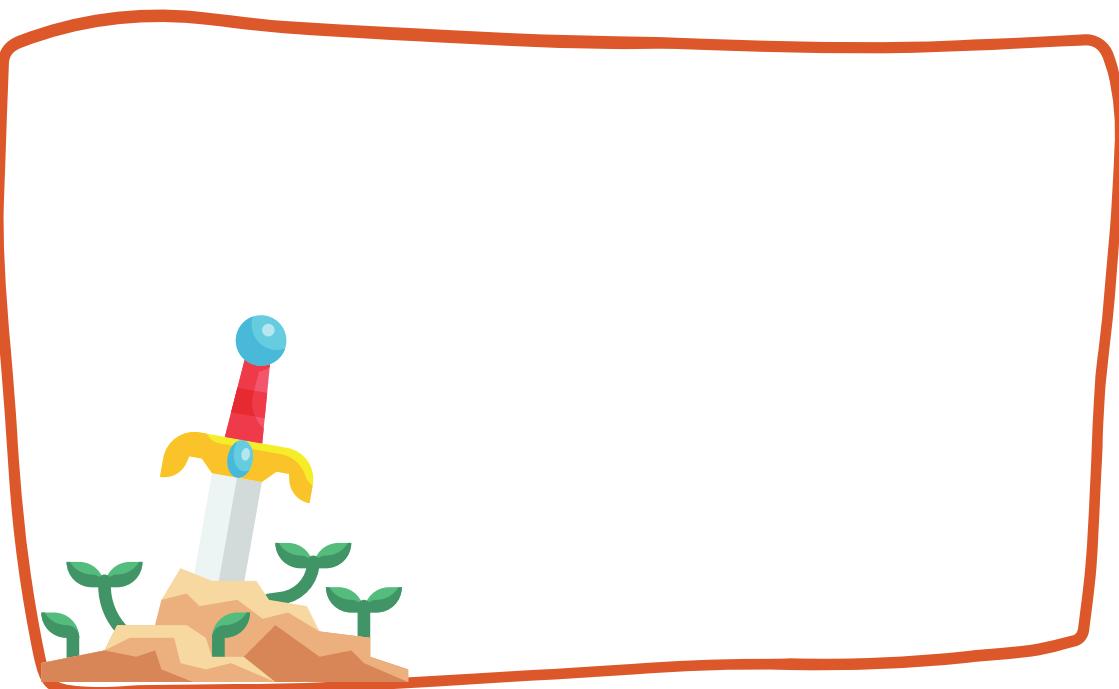
RABBIT
PEACE



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My Thoughts

Thank you for taking part in our session. Write down your thoughts about your experience taking part here:



Thank you for taking part!