

Alpha Level 5

The Rare Bird



A Match the words with the correct definition.

agreement	●	●	unpleasant kind of laughing
astonished	●	●	a long low sound indicating pain or grief
cackling	●	●	the verbal act of agreeing
moan	●	●	a long period of dry weather
slave	●	●	the feeling that accompanies something extremely surprising
despair	●	●	very uncommon
drought	●	●	to lose all hope or confidence
rare	●	●	a person who is owned by another person and can be sold.

B Write the correct word for each picture.

goblin fisherman shed mountain wrinkle cloak



cloak



goblin



mountain



shed



wrinkle



fisherman

C Complete the sentences using words in the box.

Word Box

with up to off of by

- 1) 'I **give** up!' Bartek cried in despair.
- 2) The river will be full of fish for you to catch.
- 3) He **took** off his cloak.
- 4) Bartek started trembling with fear.
- 5) As the months **went** by, Bartek got more and more upset.
- 6) The night before the goblin was due to return, Akmen spent a long time in the shed behind Barkek's house.

D Write your own sentences using the pattern.

MAKE + somebody + infinitive

I will Hot weather My mom The teacher They The sudden noise	make makes made	your wish me you students	come true. feel uncomfortable. clean the room. read books do it jump
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I will make your wish come true.

My mom makes me feel comfortable.

The sudden noise made students jump.

The teacher makes students read books.

Answers can vary

A Answer the following questions.

- 1) Why did Bartek say, ' I might as well become a beggar.' ? (pp. 1~5)
 - a) Because of a long drought, there was no water to drink.
 - b) Because of a long drought, there were no fish to catch.
 - c) Because of a long drought, there were no animals to hunt.

- 2) What deal did Bartek make with the goblin? (pp. 6~7)
 - a) He would be a slave if he couldn't find a rare bird for Goblin.
 - b) He would be the Goblin's friend if he could find a rare bird.
 - c) He would return fish if he couldn't find a rare bird.

- 3) How did he feel as the months went by? (pg.10)
 - a) He was sad.
 - b) He was astonished.
 - c) He was upset.

- 4) How did Akmen and Bartek trick the goblin? (pp. 14~17)
 - a) Akmen covered himself with feather to look like a rare bird.
 - b) Akmen stayed in the shed behind Barket's house.
 - c) Akmen found a rare bird for the goblin.

B Read and circle the correct word for the story.

1. Akmen had **torn** / **fixed** pillows up so the feathers spilled.

2. The goblin looked **astonished** / **excited**. His face turned purple.

3. The goblin was so shamed the he began to **shrink** / **grow**, right there on the spot.

4. Rokita **appeared** / **disappeared** altogether.

5. His slaves were **released** / **served** and there was the celebration.

C What did the main characters say? Complete the chart for the story.

Goblin

"I will end the drought."
 "All you need to do is promise me one thing."
 "I will make you my slave forever, if I can name it."
 "I will be back in a year to see your rare bird."



Fisherman

"I wish the fish would return to the river!"
 "What must I promise?"



Dog

"I'd like to help you."
 "I just want you to be my friend."
 "I have a wonderful imagination."



fish	drought river	promise(x2) imagination	help friend	slave
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D Write and speak.

How did the fisherman and a dog trick goblin?

1 What problem did the fisherman have?

He must find a rare bird that the goblin can't name.

2 Why did the goblin suggest a deal with the fisherman?

The goblin wanted to make the fisherman his slave forever.

3 What did the dog want the fisherman to do if he could save the fisherman?

He only wanted to be the fisherman's friend.

4 Did the dog save the fisherman from the goblin?

He tricked the goblin and the goblin was never seen again.