

e-future Classic Readers

LEVEL 4-9

Buttercup



A Norse Folk Tale

A Use the clues to unscramble the words.

1. To cook in an oven

e k a b

bake



2. What a dog does

a k r b

bark



3. An evil woman who can do magic

t i c w h

witch



4. Part of a tree

c r a n b h

branch



5. Smoke comes out of it

m i n y h c e

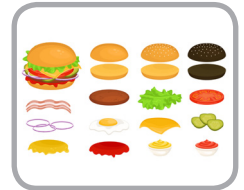
chimney



6. One part of a recipe

t r i d e
i g n e n

ingredient



B Write the correct word to complete the sentence. Change the form if needed.

sore

crush

nap

rage

1. "My back is sore," said the witch.
hurting; painful

2. When the witch got home and saw the branch, she shouted in rage.
strong anger

3. The witch was tired, so she decided to take a quick nap.
short sleep during the day

4. The branch and stone crushed the witch's head!
hit or pressed something so hard that it broke

C Write the correct word to complete the sentence.

out

off (X2)

at

into

1. The witch threw the bag over him and walked off with him in it!
2. Buttercup took the knife and cut out a hole in the bag with it.
3. "See what Goldtooth is barking at," the old woman said.
4. "You must reach into my bag to get it," said the witch.
5. Buttercup took an ax and chopped the goblin's head off.

D Write sentences using the same pattern.

-ing phrases

"It's the witch again!" cried Buttercup. He ran to hide under his bed.






→ "It's the witch again!" cried Buttercup, running to hide under his bed.

Buttercup climbed on top of the house. He brought the branch and stone with him.

→ Buttercup climbed on top of the house, bringing the branch and stone with him.

1. She walked into the room. She said hello.
→ She walked into the room, saying hello.
2. We played in the park. We enjoyed the sunshine.
→ We played in the park, enjoying the sunshine.
3. "I have a gift for you," he said. He gave me a box.
→ "I have a gift for you," he said, giving me a box.

A Circle T for true or F for false.

1.  The boy was called Buttercup because he was good at baking. T / ☒ F
2.  The witch just wanted to give Buttercup presents. T / ☒ F
3.  Buttercup was always hunting with his father. T / ☒ F
4.  Buttercup killed the goblin. ☒ T / F
5.  Buttercup got home safely in the end. ☒ T / F

B Circle the right answer and to complete the sentence.

1. (Buttercup's mother / ☒ The dog) was named Goldtooth.
2. Buttercup hid from the witch (in the chimney / ☒ under his bed).
3. The witch put Buttercup (in a pot / ☒ in a bag) and walked off with him.
4. The witch told the goblin to (☒ boil / feed) Buttercup.
5. Buttercup made broth from (a stone / ☒ the goblin).

C Fill in the chart with the correct people and/or things.

Who or What?

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|---|---|
| 1. He barked loudly outside | <u>Goldtooth</u> |
| 2. He was very round and fat. | <u>Buttercup</u> |
| 3. She said her back was sore. | <u>the witch</u> |
| 4. She told Buttercup to hide. | <u>Buttercup's mother</u>
<u>the old woman</u> |
| 5. It didn't know how to kill Buttercup. | <u>the goblin</u> |
| 6. They were used to crush the witch's head. | <u>the branch and stone</u> |

D Complete the summary with the correct words.

fork home resting bake killed knife guests

There was an old woman who liked to

1. bake. Her son was so fat that she called him Buttercup. One day a witch came to their house, saying she wanted to give Buttercup a 2. knife. Instead, she put him in a bag and left with him. While the witch was 3. resting, Buttercup cut a hole in the bag and ran away. The witch returned. She said she wanted to give Buttercup a 4. fork. Then she walked off with him again, and he got away again. The third time, she took the boy straight 5. home. She told her goblin to kill and cook him, and then she left to find dinner 6. guests. Buttercup 7. killed the goblin and the witch, and he returned to his mother.

