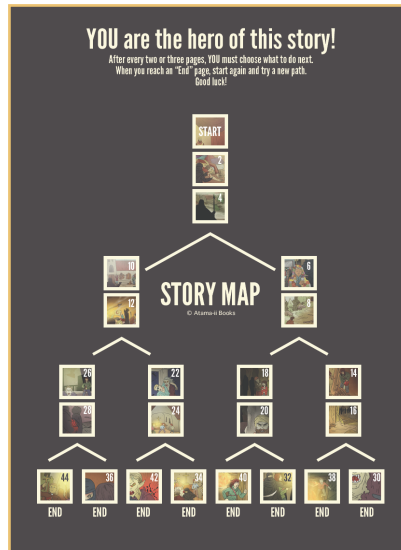
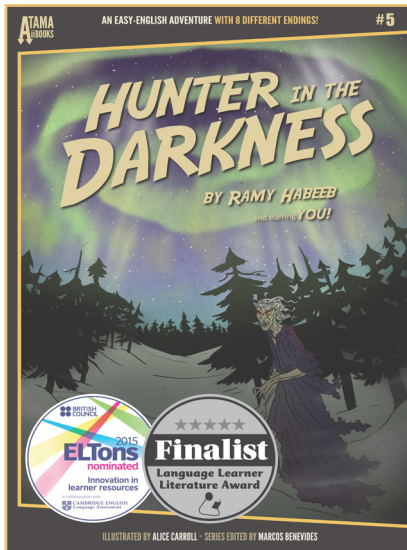


BEFORE READING



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Look at the picture. Can you describe three things in it?

Next, learn the story keywords



KEYWORDS

Learn these important words before you read the story.
They will help you to read more smoothly.

arrow (n.) a long, thin piece of wood that is shot from a bow as a weapon

bite (v.) to close your teeth on something; (n.) a mark made by teeth

blood (n.) the red liquid inside your body

church (n.) a building used for religious ceremonies

feed (v.) to take in food; to eat

hunt (v.) to search for, and try to catch, a person or animal

mine (n.) a man-made hole in the ground for getting useful materials such as silver or gold

scared (adj.) full of fear; afraid

scream (v.) to make a loud sound with your voice; (n.) a loud sound made with your voice; often not in words, e.g. "Aaaaaaaahhhh!"

shadow (n.) a dark area or shape made when light is blocked by something

shout (v.) to say something with a loud voice; (n.) something said in a loud voice, e.g. "WATCH OUT!"

silver (n.) a soft white metal similar to gold

KEYWORDS



spear (n.) a long, pointed piece of wood used as a weapon

stake (n.) a short, thick, pointed piece of wood

strike (v.) to hit something with force

swear (v.) to make a serious promise

symbol (n.) a thing that has a certain meaning; e.g. a flag is a symbol of a country

train (v.) to practice doing something

vampire (n.) a monster that feeds on human blood

village (n.) a very small town

weapon (n.) a tool used to hurt or kill



AFTER READING

EXTENSION QUESTIONS

Reading a good story can make you think about new things. Here are some interesting questions. Talk about them with your friends or your teacher, or try to find out more online. Remember, not all questions have one clear answer.

1. What is the history of vampires? Where do the first vampire stories come from?
2. Who is the most famous vampire in history? What is his name? Where does his story come from?
3. In the story, vampires can be killed by using wood, silver, fire, and fresh water. Are there other ways to kill vampires?
4. In stories, vampires have many powers. For example, they can fly. What other powers do vampires have?
5. Vampires also have many weaknesses. For example, they must sleep during the day. What are other weaknesses of vampires?
6. Vampires are strong, and can live for hundreds of years. If you could, would you want to be a vampire? Why or why not?
7. Using modern technology, design the best weapon to fight vampires. What does it do? How does it work?
8. In the story, 'symbols of hope' can keep vampires away. What religious and other symbols can you find in this story?
9. In this story, the master vampire hunter comes from an Arabic culture. Are there really vampires in Arabic stories?
10. Imagine that vampires are coming to attack your home town or your school. What can you do to protect yourself and others?

BOOK REVIEW



1. Did you enjoy this story? Why or why not?

2. Who are the main characters? Can you describe them?

3. Where does the story take place? Can you describe it?

4. Which ending did you like the most? Why did you like it?

5. Which ending didn't you like? Why didn't you like it?

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