

The Firebird • Worksheet answers



1. Cross out the word in each group which *doesn't* mean the same, or almost the same, as the other three.

- A. magnificent - splendid - ~~magical~~ - spectacular
- B. blossomed - flowered - bloomed - ~~covered~~
- C. astonished - amazed - ~~horrified~~ - astounded
- D. ~~sparkling~~ - scorching - blazing - burning
- E. sunrise - ~~dusk~~ - daybreak - dawn
- F. magician - ~~devil~~ - wizard - sorcerer

2. Choose the word on the right that best matches the sense of the phrase on the left.

- A. Prince Ivan didn't let his brothers stop him. → warning
- B. Snow muffled all sounds except his horse's careful footprints. → devoted
- C. His horse had chosen to die in order to save him. → determined
- D. Take the Firebird but, whatever you do, don't touch her cage. → quiet

3. In Chapter Three, there's a similar pattern of events at each palace. Can you put them in order?

- A. The king asks Ivan to do something for him. ...8.....
- B. Silver Wolf gives Ivan a piece of advice. ...1.....
- C. Ivan finds what he was looking for. ...3.....
- D. Ivan is brought before the king. ...7.....
- E. Ivan quietly makes his way into the palace. ...2.....
- F. Bells and alarms sound. ...5.....
- G. Ivan tries to follow Silver Wolf's advice, but something prevents him. ...4.....
- H. Guards rush in, and drag Ivan off to the palace prison. ...6.....

4. Cross out the mistakes in the sentences below, and write corrections at the end of the sentence.

- A. Silver Wolf leaped over the castle wall when he thought ~~the princess~~ was asleep. ...Koshchey.....
- B. The princess was afraid Koshchey would turn ~~her~~ to stone, like all the other knights. ...Ivan.....
- C. ~~The princess~~ told Ivan where to find the box that held Koshchey's soul. ...Silver Wolf.....
- D. Ivan threw the golden egg ~~in the air~~, and it smashed into pieces. ...to the ground.....

5. Match the kings to the statements on the right. Some are true for more than one king.

- A. King Afron... → ...settled an old quarrel.
- B. King Dalmat... → ...was overjoyed to see his daughter again.
- C. Ivan's father... → ...was delighted that Ivan married the princess.
- ...finally set the Firebird free.