

Before-reading questions

- 1 *Reader's own answer.*
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- 3 **a** knight
b weapons
c enemy / enemies
d prison
e marry
f king
- 4 **Example answer:** The knights are young men. They fight a lot. They are happy.

During-reading questions

PAGES 15–20

- 1 The story is very old.
- 2 Theseus is a king from Athens.
- 3 To Athens. They put them in prison there.
- 4 Arcita and Palamon's mothers are sisters.

PAGES 21–31

- 1 Emily lives in Theseus's house.
- 2 Because Arcita is his friend.
- 3 Arcita's new name is Philostrate.
- 4 Arcita works there / in Theseus's house for seven years.

PAGES 40–42

- 1 The winner can marry Emily.
- 2 They find ten knights each.
- 3 The knights come to Athens after one year.
- 4 Venus is the goddess of husbands and wives.

PAGES 43–51

- 1 Emily wants to be a good wife.
- 2 Arcita asks Mars for help. Mars is the god of knights.
- 3 They are sad about Arcita.
- 4 Palamon and Emily are now husband and wife.

After-reading questions

- 1 **Example answer:** A tale is an old story. A knight is telling this story.
- 2 Theseus puts his enemies in prison, or he kills them.
- 3 Because Emily is very beautiful.
- 4 Because the two knights love Emily, but she cannot marry two men.
- 5 Because Arcita cannot see Emily.
- 6 Because Palamon is in prison.
- 7 Because Arcita loves Emily, but he cannot see her.
- 8 **Example answer:** Because Philostrate does good work. Philostrate is Arcita, but Theseus does not know that.
- 9 **Example answer:** Because they do not have weapons. Arcita wants a good fight.
- 10 Because Arcita, Emily and Palamon want help from the gods and goddesses.
- 11 **Example answer:** Because Palamon is a knight. Kings kill bad knights. "This is right," Palamon thinks.
- 12 **Example answer:**
Arcita is a good husband for Emily because:
 - He loves her.
 - He asks the god of knights for help.
 - He is the winner.
 Palamon is a good husband for Emily because:
 - He loves her.
 - He asks the goddess of husbands and wives for help.
 - Saturn kills Arcita. Palamon can marry her.
- 13 **Example answer:**
Theseus is a good king because:
 - He does not kill Arcita and Palamon.
 - He makes Arcita free.
 Theseus is not a good king because:
 - He fights many enemies.
 - He kills his enemies.
 - He does not ask Emily, "Which husband do you want?"

14 *Reader's own answer.*

15 **Example answer:**

The gods and goddesses are good because:

- They help people.
- They listen to people.

The gods and goddesses are bad because:

- People are a game for them.
- Saturn kills Arcita.

Exercises

- 1 1 b 2 d 3 c 4 e
5 g 6 a 7 f

- 2 1 Emily **is walking** in the garden near the prison.
2 "I **am going** to Athens. I can see Emily there!"
3 "He **is sleeping**."
4 "Why **are** you **fighting**?"
5 "Father, Mars **is helping** Arcita."

- 3 1 c 2 b 3 a
4 a 5 a 6 c

- 4 1 d 2 a 3 f 4 g
5 h 6 e 7 b 8 c

- 5 1 "**Take** these men to Athens."
2 "**Look** at that beautiful woman. I love her!"
3 "**Bring** Arcita here."
4 "We're enemies. **Fight** me!"
5 "**Wait!** We don't have weapons."
6 "**Come** here on Saturday."
7 "We're bad knights. **Kill** us!"
8 "Please **help** my knight, Palamon."
9 "Emily, I love you. But Palamon is a good man. **Marry** him."

- 6 1 "**It's** about two knights, Arcita and Palamon."
2 "**They're** our enemies."

- 3 "I **don't** know, Arcita."
4 "Our mothers are sisters. **We're** family."
5 "**There's** lots of work here."
6 "**You're** a good man, Philostrate."
7 "**I'm** free!"
8 "Emily **can't** marry two men."

- 7 1 This is a very **old** story – a tale.
2 Theseus is a king from Athens. He fights **many** enemies.
3 "Look at that **beautiful** woman. I love her!"
4 Arcita is **free**, but he cannot stay in Athens.
5 "I have a **new** name. It's Philostrate."
6 Arcita does **good** work for seven years.
7 "Palamon and Emily, you're **sad** about Arcita. But now you're husband and wife."
8 The people of Athens are **happy**.

- 8 1 "Palamon is in **prison**, but he can see Emily every day."
2 "I'm **free**, but I can't eat or drink."
3 "I'm Arcita. I'm your **enemy**."
4 "Be a good **king!** Help them!"
5 "You can **fight** for her."
6 "The **winner** marries Emily."
7 "Get **weapons** for your knights."

Project work

Reader's own answers.