

KEYS FOR WORKSHEET ON THE LEGEND “THE LIZARD OF JAÉN”

1. Choose the correct answer:

- a. In our legend, La Magdalena is the name of a **NEIGHBOURHOOD** in Jaén.
- b. Who saw the lizard and brought it to the village? **A YOUNG MAN**
- c. The reaction of the washerwomen when they saw the lizard was of:
EXCITEMENT
- d. Over time, the lizard needed: **LOTS OF FOOD.**
- e. The lizard liked meat: **YES**
- f. The neighbours are: **IN AGREEMENT** with 24 hour vigilance.
- g. The killer was: **THE LIZARD**
- h. Before being recruited, Alonso of Corbera was: **IN PRISON**
- i. Alonso of Corbera asked the King: **A HORSE, THE SKIN OF A SHEEP, BREAD, GUNPOWDER**
- j. Alonso hid a huge amount of gunpowder in: **THE SKIN OF A SHEEP.**
- k. The lizard did not explode: **FALSE.**

2. Match the words taken from the text with their definition:

- 1) spring: e) place where water comes out.
- 2) den: d) place where a beast lives or is hidden
- 3) shepherd :a) person whose job is to look after sheep.
- 4) blacksmith: b) person whose job is to make objects by forging metal. .
- 5) to claim: c) to say that something is true or is a fact.

3. Can you give an adjective to each of the following characters of the story?

- 1 The lizard: c) wild and fierce
- 2 The boy: a) courageous and brave
- 3 Alonso de Corbera: b) sentenced to prison but fearless
- 4 The King: d) authoritarian but fair

4. Can you match each word with its opposite?

1 dark : e)light

2 legend: f) true story

3 friend: a) enemy

4 safe: c) dangerous

5 happy : d) miserable

6 beautiful: b)ugly

5. These are jobs which were already common in the Middle Ages. Can you match them with their definitions?

1) shepherd: d) person who took care of the sheep.

2) butcher: e) person who sells meat.

3) blacksmith: a) person who makes iron objects.

4) tailor: f) person who makes a piece of clothes.

5) washerwoman: b) woman who washes clothes in a river or spring.

6) craftsman: c) man who makes some objects, for example a vase.

6. Odd one out! Circle the word in each group which is different from the others.

a) pig/ lamb/ hen/ **lizard.**

b) butcher/ shepherd/ **prisoner**/ baker.

c) **square** / bushes/ meadow / spring of water.

d) fear/scream/**pride**/panic.

e) butcher/ peasant/ **prisoner**/ washerwoman.

f) wonderful/ beautiful/ cute/ **terrible.**

7. PREPOSITIONS: Complete de sentences with the correct preposition.

on - into – without – for - of – in - until

- a. The young man put the lizard ...INTO..... a box.
- b. Alonso de Corbera cameON..... a horse to fight the animal.
- c. The legend took place.....IN..... the neighbourhood of La Magdalena.
- d. The neighbours didn't rest.....UNTIL..... they found the lizard.
- e. The lizard was the pet.....OF..... La Magdalena.
- f. The neighbours did not want to live.....WITHOUT... their children and cattle.
- g. After they found the lizard they claimed ...FOR..... justice.

8.Fill in the gaps with the correct question word. Then, find the answer below.

what-who-whose-how- when-where-why

1.WHERE...was the lizard hidden during the day?Answer c)
 2.WHAT...was the problem with the lizard? Answer a)
 3. ...WHO..... left the lizard near the spring? Answer f)
 4.WHEN..... did the story occur? Answer b)
 5.WHY.... did the lizard live in the spring? Answer e)
 6.HOW..... did Alonso kill the lizard? Answer g)
 7. ..WHOSE.. idea was it of leaving the lizard in the spring? d)
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- a. He ate the children and the cattle of La Magdalena.
 - b. During the Middle Ages.
 - c. He was in his den.
 - d. A washerwoman´s.
 - e. Because there he was near the water.
 - f. A young man.
 - g. The lizard swallowed gunpowder.

9. Unscramble the words below and use them to complete the sentences:

ahlrde – sehsedrph – raosugeocu – pdoernuwg – ghibudoohnreo – derrumer

1. The young man, on his way home, showed the lizard to some SHEPHERDS.....
2. A royal ...HERALD..... was in charge of reading the king's decree.
3. One day a COURAGEOUS young man was walking at the foot of the castle of Jaén.
4. TheMURDERER..... is the lizard of Jaén!!!
5. All the inhabitants of the ..NEIGHBOURHOOD.. loved the lizard and were proud of him.
6. Alonso showed him the skin of the sheep, under which he had hiddenGUNPOWDER.....

10. Write the following events in the story in the correct chronological order.

- 1- The boy meets some shepherds. 3
- 2- The boy meets some washerwomen. 2
- 3- Everybody in the city claimed for justice. 6
- 4- Alonso de Corbera started to throw pieces of bread. 7
- 5- The boy saw something shining behind some bushes. 1
- 6- The lizard started to grow and needed bigger quantities of food. 4
- 7- The lizard began to eat innocent children. 5