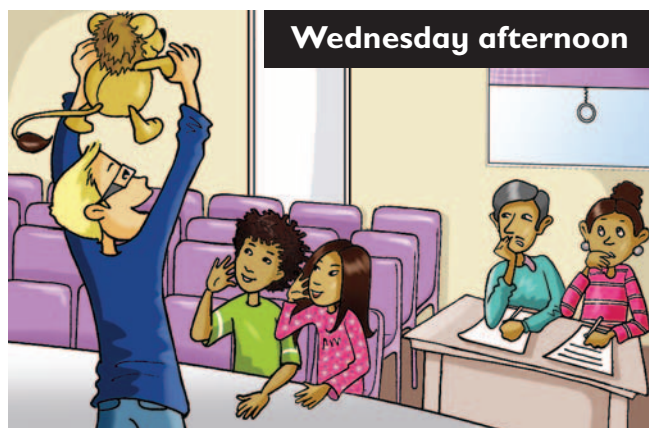


# 1 Beastly tales

Show what you know! What animals can you remember?

**Listening** <sup>12</sup> CD1 **1** Listen and tick (✓) the animals you hear.



**2** <sup>13</sup> CD1 Listen again and answer the questions.

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|---|--|
| 1 What time's the audition going to be? | Quarter to four.                         |
| 2 Who's going to go to the audition?    |  |
| 3 Which part's he going to do?          | 5 Which part are they going to give Dan? |
| 4 Who's going to be King of the Beasts? | 6 What are they going to write about?    |

**3** Read and match.

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|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1 Who's going to               | a is going to be on Wednesday. |
| 2 The audition                 | b to be in the play.           |
| 3 Dan's going to               | c go to the audition.          |
| 4 Shari and Alvin are          | d be the monkey.               |
| 5 Dan isn't going to           | e to write about?              |
| 6 Shari and Alvin aren't going | f be in the play?              |
| 7 What are they going          | g going to watch him.          |



I'm going to go to the audition. We aren't going to choose you. Are you going to be in the play?

4 Choose words from the box to complete the text.

have cinema want bird restaurant see rocks ~~going~~ pets island



Helen and Robert are (1) *going* to go to the (2) ..... tomorrow. They're going to (3) ..... a film called *My Family and Other Animals*. The film's from a book by Gerald Durrell and it's about his life when he was ten years old. In the film the boy lives on an (4) ..... He's got some friends, but a lot of his friends are different (5) ..... He's got a (6) ..... called Ulysses, a tortoise called Achilles and lots of spiders. Helen and Robert are going to have a great time because it's a very funny film.

5 Read again and answer.

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|---|---|
| 1 Where are Helen and Robert going to go? | 4 How old is Gerald in the book?                    |
| 2 What are they going to see?             | 5 What pets has Gerald got?                         |
| 3 What's the film about?                  | 6 Why are Helen and Robert going to enjoy the film? |

6 Read and cross out the extra word.

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|--|---------------------------------------|
| 1 We're are going to go to the theatre tomorrow.   | 4 What are you to going to see?       |
| 2 We aren't going to see at <i>The Lion King</i> . | 5 Where do are you going to sit?      |
| 3 I'm going to visit to my grandmother on Sunday.  | 6 She isn't going to sing on tonight. |

7 Write questions with 'going to'.

- |  |                                 |
|--|---------------------------------|
| 1 Who / see / weekend? <b>Who are you going to see at the weekend?</b> | 5 What / watch / TV / tomorrow? |
| 2 What / do / Monday / after school?                                   | 6 When / do / homework?         |
| 3 play basketball / tomorrow afternoon?                                |                                 |
| 4 Where / go / Friday / after school?                                  |                                 |

8 Ask and answer.

Who are you going to see at the weekend?

I'm going to see my cousins.

## Reading


9 Read and think. How many of the beasts are part bird?


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**Kid's Box Ezine!** home reports games world email


There are many ancient stories from different countries. Some are about heroes and strange and exciting beasts which aren't real. These stories are called myths.


**Kid's Box reports**


**a**  Griffins have got the head, wings, front legs and claws of an eagle and the body and back legs of a lion. They make nests from gold.


**c**  A unicorn is a beautiful white horse with one long horn on its head. It's got a goat's feet and beard and a lion's tail.

**f**  Harpies are uglier than sirens. They live in nests and steal food from people.

**b**  A dragon is a beast which has the body of a lizard, so they haven't got fur like a cat or feathers like a bird; they've got scales like a fish. Some dragons have a bat's wings and some can breathe fire.

**d**  The centaur is part horse too, but it's got a man's head and top half of the body and the body and legs of a horse.

**e**  Sirens and harpies are part bird, part woman, but they're different. Sirens live near water. They sing beautifully but they're dangerous because people sail their boats onto rocks.

**g**  Sometimes people think sirens are the same as mermaids, but mermaids are half woman, half fish. They've got beautiful long hair, but they haven't got legs. They've got a big fish tail with scales.

eagle claws horn feathers scales dragon nest mermaid

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14  
CD1

Listen. Repeat the word and say the letters.

1 Claws.

Claws. That's 'a' and 'f'.

11 Read again and say 'yes' or 'no'.

- Griffins have got feathers on their wings.
- A dragon has the body of a lizard.
- A unicorn has got two horns.
- A centaur has got a goat's beard.
- Harpies live in nests.
- Sirens and mermaids are the same.

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**12**  Listen and choose the right words.

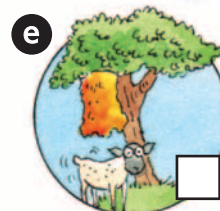
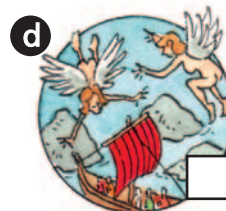
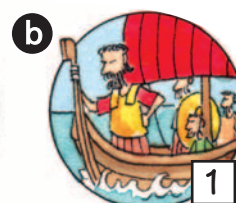
- 1 The phoenix is a **song** / myth / game.
- 2 The phoenix was a beautiful **bird** / lion / horse.
- 3 The phoenix lived for **five** / fifty / five hundred years.
- 4 The first people to believe in the phoenix were the **Egyptians** / Romans / Greeks.
- 5 The phoenix was born in **the sea** / a fire / a tree.



**13** Read and complete. Order the pictures.

islands    sings    ~~told~~    Fleece    horse    sea  
 Greece    clearer    do    sports    song

Myths and legends, stories of old,  
 Beastly tales which people (1) **told** ,  
 Adventures and monsters, strange animals too,  
 Heroes who had great things to (2) **do** .  
 The Greeks are famous, not just for (3) **islands** ,  
 But also for Jason and the Argonauts.  
 They wrote, in their mythology,  
 Of his adventures across the (4) **sea** .  
 Jason's bad uncle made him look for the 'fleece'.  
 Special wool made of gold, so they tell us in (5) **Greece** .  
 He had a clever teacher, like yours, of course!  
 His teacher was a centaur – half man, half (6) **horse** .  
 The teacher told him all about the dangerous siren  
 Who could break his boat on rocks round the (7) **islands** .  
 She's half woman, half bird, with feathers and wings.  
 She sounds really beautiful when she (8) **sings** .  
 The Argonauts were sailing and before too long,  
 They started to hear the siren's (9) **clearer** .  
 It sounded lovely, but they didn't go nearer  
 'Cos Orpheus' music was louder and (10) **clearer** .  
 This is part of the myth from Ancient Greece  
 Of Jason and the Golden (11) **Fleece** .



**15** Invent a mythical beast.  
 Answer the questions.

- 1 What are you going to call it?  
**I'm going to call it a ...**
- 2 What's your beast going to look like?  
**It's going to have a ...'s head, ...**
- 3 What colour's it going to be?
- 4 Is it going to have feathers, fur or scales?
- 5 What else is it going to have on its body?

**16** Ask and answer about your beast in pairs.

**17** Draw and write about your beast.

**14**  Listen and check. Say the rap.