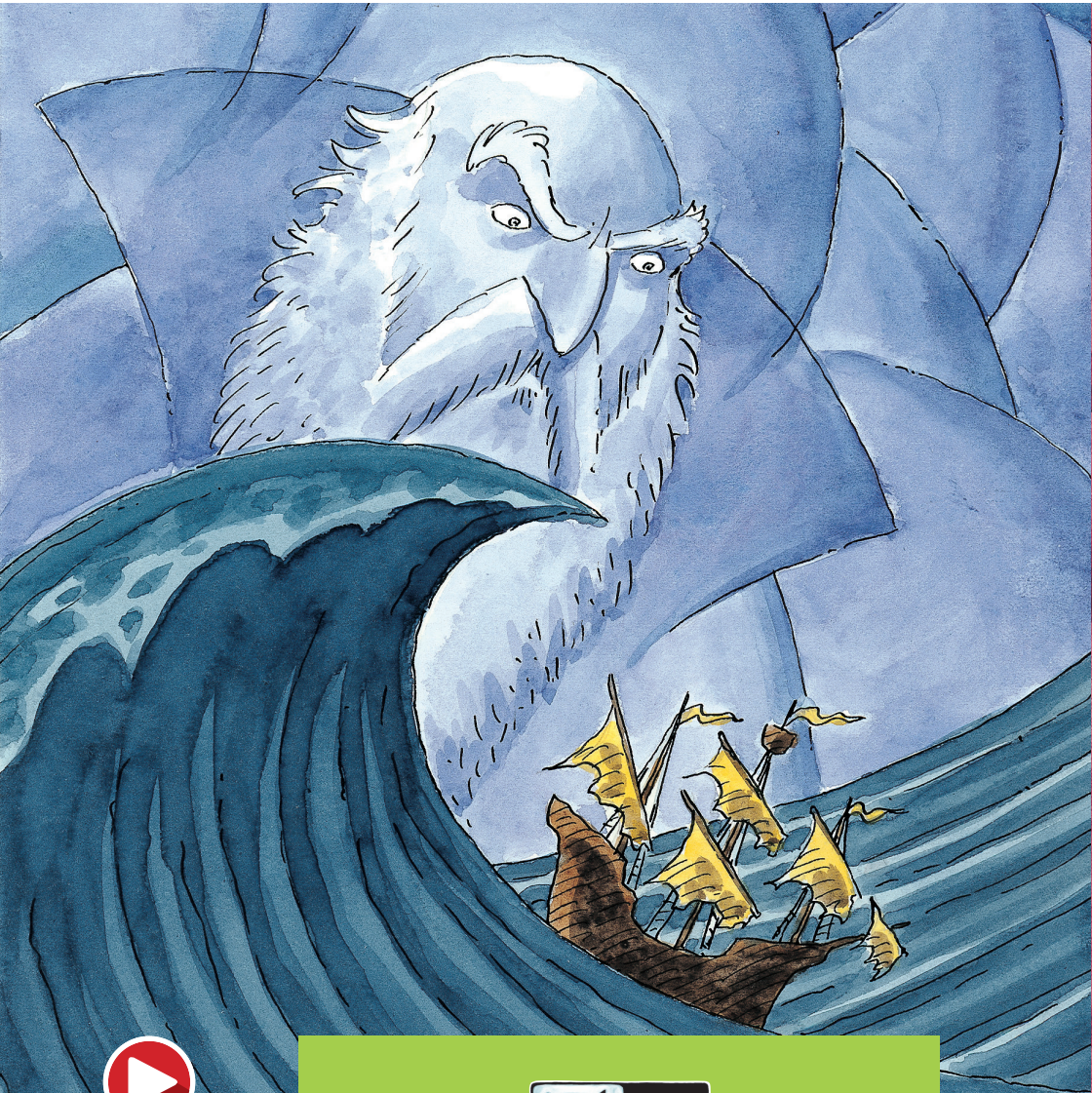




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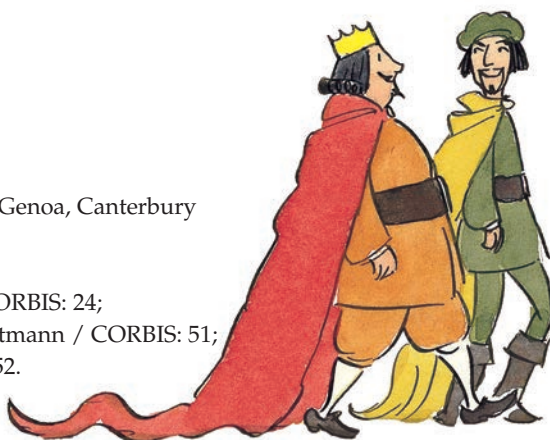
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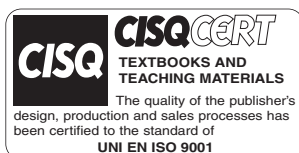
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William Shakespeare



What do you know about William Shakespeare? Listen to some information and complete the table.



- 1 Name: William Shakespeare
- 2 Date of birth:
- 3 Where:
- 4 Job:
- 5 Famous plays: Hamlet...
.....
.....
.....
.....



Imagine you live in Shakespeare's time. You must interview William Shakespeare. One student is the interviewer. The other is Shakespeare. Match these questions to the information above and use them to help you ask and answer the questions.

- A ☐ What are your most famous plays?
- B ☐ When were you born?
- C ☐ What's your name?
- D ☐ What do you do?
- E ☐ Where do you come from?

3 The characters

Ferdinand

'I am the King's son.'



Antonio

'I am the Duke of Milan and I am Prospero's brother. I'm not a good man.'



Prospero

'I am the real Duke of Milan and I'm a magician.'



Caliban

'I'm a monster.'



Stephano

'I'm a butler.² I work on the King's ship.'



Alonso

'I am the King of Naples.'



Sebastian

'And I am the King's brother.'



Gonzalo

'I am a good old man. I am the King's friend.'



Miranda

'I'm Prospero's daughter.'



Ariel

'And I'm a magic spirit.'¹



Trinculo

'I'm a jester³ and I work on the King's ship too.'





1. **spirit** : (here) a magical creature.
2. **butler** : this man's job is to open doors, serve dinner, etc.
3. **jester** : this man's job is to do things and say things to make people laugh.

BEFORE YOU READ

1 PLACES TO LIVE

Look at the words in the box and put them into the correct group. Are they places or types of homes? Use a dictionary to help you. Then add some more of your own.

city town flat village island
houseboat castle caravan house desert

Places	Homes
	
.....
.....
.....
.....
.....

2 ODD ONE OUT

Here are some of the words from Part One. Which word in each group is different to the others? Can you say why? Use a dictionary to help you.

- 1 king duke magician queen
.....
- 2 brother friend daughter son
.....
- 3 spirit magic castle spell
.....
- 4 ugly small beautiful clever
.....
- 5 storm tempest island rain
.....

Summary

PART ONE

The real Duke of Milan



Prospero is the real Duke of Milan, but he does not live in Milan: he lives on a small, lonely island with his beautiful young daughter, Miranda. Prospero doesn't want to live on this island, but he has no choice. His bad brother, Antonio, says he is the Duke of Milan and Prospero cannot return to the city.

Prospero and Miranda are not the only people on the little island. There is also a magic spirit called Ariel and a monster called Caliban. Prospero is now their master, and they are his slaves.¹

Prospero is a magician. He is very clever and he knows a lot about magic and spells² from his books. Ariel helps Prospero with his magic.

Alonso, Antonio, Alonso's son Ferdinand, Sebastian and Gonzalo are on the King's boat. Prospero decides to punish³ his brother Antonio. He is going to send a big storm, a tempest.



1. **slaves** : prisoners who must work.
2. **spells** : things which happen because someone says some magic words.
3. **punish** : do something to hurt someone because of their bad actions.

Part One

THAT'S
THE KING
OF NAPLES.

AND THAT'S
THE DUKE
OF MILAN.

HELLO,
EVERYBODY,
HELLO,
MY FRIEND.



PART ONE



PART ONE



PART ONE



PART ONE



UNDERSTANDING THE TEXT



1

Look at these sentences about Part One. Are they 'Right' (A) or 'Wrong' (B)? If there is not enough information to answer 'Right' or 'Wrong', choose 'Doesn't say' (C). There is an example at the beginning (0).

- 0 Alonso and Antonio are friends.
A Right B Wrong C Doesn't say
- 1 Alonso is now the Duke of Milan.
A Right B Wrong C Doesn't say
- 2 Prospero lives alone on a small island.
A Right B Wrong C Doesn't say
- 3 Caliban and Ariel do a lot of useful work for Prospero.
A Right B Wrong C Doesn't say
- 4 Prospero is a magician.
A Right B Wrong C Doesn't say
- 5 The King of Naples is going to sail to the island.
A Right B Wrong C Doesn't say



2

CHARACTERS

What can you remember about the characters? Answer these questions from memory. Then write some more questions to ask a friend.

- 1 Who is Alonso?
- 2 Who is the real Duke of Milan?
- 3 What is Ariel?
- 4 Has the King got a son?
- 5 Is Caliban a jester?
- 6 Is Antonio a good man?

3

Find the names of eleven characters from Part One in this word square. The names can go forwards (→), backwards (←), up (↑), down (↓) or diagonally (↖ ↗).



A	D	N	A	R	I	M	P	F	S
A	L	O	N	S	O	O	E	A	E
O	L	U	C	N	I	R	T	N	B
C	B	E	N	C	D	E	G	T	A
Y	A	M	I	I	A	P	O	O	S
K	T	L	N	R	F	S	N	N	T
O	W	A	I	L	A	O	Z	I	I
J	N	T	K	B	S	R	A	O	A
D	A	N	B	E	A	P	L	T	N
S	T	E	P	H	A	N	O	F	P



4

LANGUAGE

Read the information in the box and then write sentences about the characters using the words below.

Antonio is Prospero's bad brother

In English we do not usually say:

Antonio is the brother of Prospero, instead we say:

*Antonio is **Prospero's brother**.*

Look carefully at the order of the words.

son daughter brother father friend slave

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5
- 6

5

Now ask another student some more questions using the same words.

e.g. Is Ferdinand Alonso's brother? No, Ferdinand is Alonso's son.

T: GRADE 2

6

SPEAKING

Topic – Family and friends

Ask another student these questions and then answer them.

- Have you got any brothers and sisters? (Describe them.)
- What are the names of your friends? Have you got a best friend?

7

VOCABULARY – WEATHER

Ask another student these questions and then answer them yourself.

Look at the examples to help you.

- 1 What's the weather like today? (*It's sunny.../It's raining...*)
- 2 What's your favourite type of weather? (*I like cold, sunny... weather*)
- 3 What season is your birthday in? What's the weather usually like then? (*It usually rains...*)

8

Match the words in the box to a photo. Use a dictionary to help you.
Which do you think shows a tempest?

blizzard storm tornado



1



2



3

LISTENING



Now listen to the weather reports and complete the paragraph. You will hear the recording twice.

Today is a (1)..... day. It is (2)..... but it is also (3)..... . Ariel thinks tomorrow it is going to (4)..... . The weather forecast says that tomorrow it will (5)..... on the mountains. Near the (6)..... it will be sunny. In the afternoon it will be (7)..... . The next day stay at home because it will be very (8)..... . A tempest is a (9)..... .

BEFORE YOU READ

1

Do you know these words? Match a word from the box to a picture below.

shipwreck hilltop waves to blow to steer



1



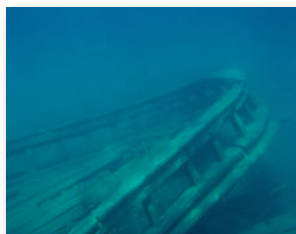
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3



4




5

Summary

PART TWO

The men are at sea when a big storm begins

 The wind is blowing hard and the big waves almost go over the top of the boat. The men are all very afraid. A man is steering the boat. He tries to stop it from going under the waves, but it is impossible. They start shouting for help. They must leave the ship to save themselves.

There is a small island not too far away. The men don't know this and they don't know it is a magic tempest.

From a distance Prospero is watching the storm. His magic is working well, but Ariel's work is not finished. Prospero has plans for the men, but first they must arrive on the island.

