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Grades: 1-4

ABOUT The Knight at Dawn Graphic Novel

Magic. Mystery. Time-travel. Get whisked back to the time of medieval knights with Jack and Annie!

A castle. A knight. A quest! When the magic tree house whisks Jack and Annie back to the Middle Ages, they're looking for a knight. Instead, they find the Great Hall of a castle where a feast is under way. But Jack and Annie aren't exactly welcome guests!

For the first time in graphic novel—live the adventure again with new vibrant full-color art that brings the magic to life!



A Knight's Helmet

Make a knight's helmet by cutting off the top of a gallon-sized milk jug. Cut and shape the remaining piece and cover with foil cut into strips or scallop shapes. Decorate with scraps of paper or other materials.

Construct a model of a medieval castle using cardboard, poster board, paper towel tubes, Legos, or other available materials.

CURRICULUM: Art



East Meets West, Land Meets Sea

Have students think about how knights, ninjas, pirates, and Vikings behaved. Bring them to life in improvisational skits, pairing students in a series of role-playing combinations: knight/ninjas, pirate/viking, knight/Viking, pirate/ninjas. Performances may be silly or serious. Here are some suggestions of what pairs could discuss: my ship is better than your ship; a warrior's home is his castle; a book is a treasure greater than gold.

CURRICULUM: Creative Drama • Social Studies

Please Pass the Salt!

Discuss what we eat today and compare it to the food eaten during medieval times. Also compare place settings and utensils. Then have students design menus in the same art style as the graphic novel, illustrating the similarities and differences between a modern and a medieval feast.

CURRICULUM: Health

Dressed for the Job!

The system used to devise coats of arms is called heraldry. Ask students to list the characteristics that best describe themselves and to choose symbols or pictures that represent those traits, such as a lion to show bravery. Then have them create their own coats of arms.

CURRICULUM: Social Studies • Art

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The Knight at Dawn Word Search

Find and circle the following words in this *Knight at Dawn* word search. They can be horizontal, vertical, forward, backward, or diagonal.



ARMOR										
	N	0	E	G	N	U	D	V	T	0
CASTLE	E	G	D	I	R	B	W	A	R	D
COURTYARD	U	S	N	Z	P	P	7	C	V	F
CROSSBOW	R	D	Z	W	X	A	R	D	A	C
DRAWBRIDGE	0	R	D	Z	0	0	T	N	A	D
DUNGEON	M	0	K	M	5	5	F	5	J	5
FANFARE	R	W	X	S	A	A	7	U	C	F
FEAST	A	5	В	E	R	L	P	G	H	R
MOAT	E	0	F	E	E	W	C	Y	C	P



SWORDS

