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- 1 Draw a line connecting the characters with their actions. Circle the *auxiliary verb* and underline the verb. The first example has been done for you.

People	<u>were</u> <u>getting</u> their lances.
Foot soldiers	were winching the drawbridge up.
The archers	were running.
The children	were coming after Lord Edward.
The two lords	were racing up the stairs.
Lord William and his army	had been fighting over the castle for a long time.
Alfred	were being hurried inside.
The gatehouse keepers	was running down the spiral stairs.

- 2 Find the meanings of these words.

a parapet _____

b squire _____

c archers _____

- 3 *Onomatopoeic* words sound like the actions that they describe. Write the actions that the following words described in the story.

a Thud ... Thud ... (p.12) _____

b Thwat ... Thwat ... (p.12) _____

- 4 Write a description for each of these *onomatopoeic* words.

quack		bang	
hiss		boom	
miaow		whoosh	

- 5 On the other side of this sheet, draw a map of the castle and add labels from the list below.

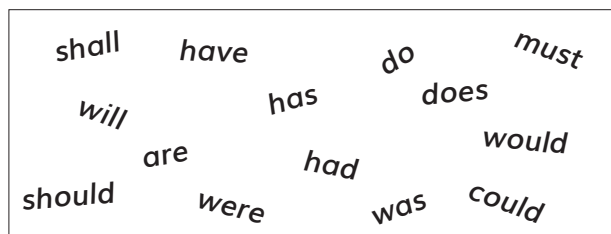
spiral staircase, parapet, slits in tower wall, tower, drawbridge, winch, stables, gatehouse, courtyard, pens, storeroom, castle walls

Looking back and making connections

Life was very different in the time when Alfred lived. What would be the advantages of living during that time? What would be the disadvantages of living during that time?

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- 1 Choose the correct *auxiliary verb* from the box to complete these sentences.



- a Alfred _____ running down the stairs.
- b Alfred and Bartholomew _____ heard a strange noise.
- c Lord William and his army _____ coming after Lord Edward.
- d The enemy _____ tunnelling under the castle.
- e Bartholomew said that they _____ tell Lord Edward what _____ happening.
- f Lord Edward thought of a plan that _____ defeat Lord William's army.
- g Lord Edward _____ happy that they defeated Lord William's army.

- 2 Answer the questions. Use complete sentences.

- a What did Lord William's army use to disguise the hut? (p.23)

- b What did Alfred think about war? Why did he think this? (p.26)

- c What were Alfred's plans for his future? (p.32)

- 3 Choose an appropriate word to describe each character and provide a reason to support your opinion.

- a Alfred was _____ because _____

- b Lord Edward was _____ because _____

- c Bartholomew was _____ because _____
