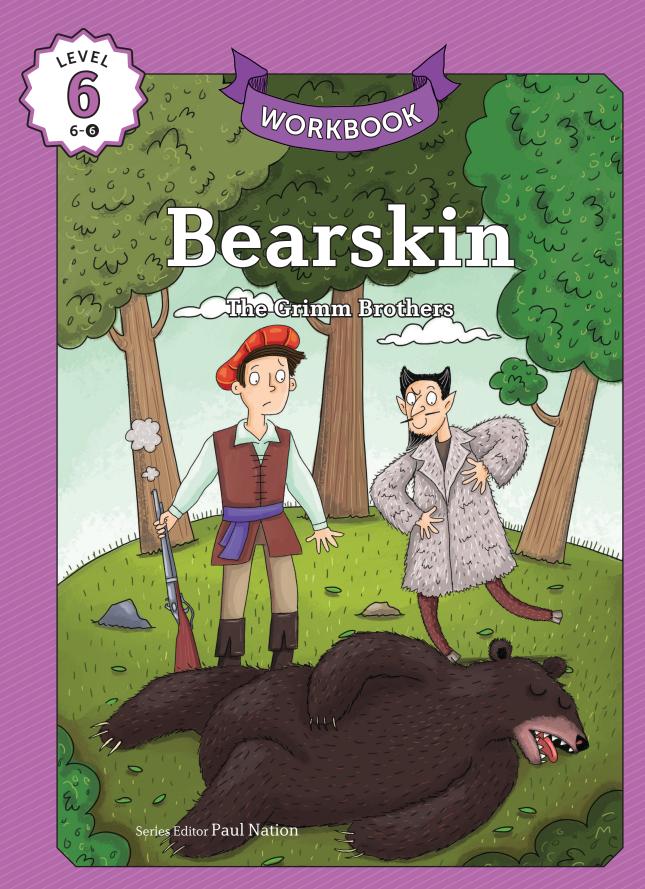
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Reading Activities

[Chapter 1] A Soldier Without a War

Before You Read

Look at the chapter heading and illustration. Think about the questions below.

- 1 What does a soldier do?
- 2 Look at the illustration on page 8. Describe the two men.
- 3 How do you think the soldier is feeling? Why might he feel this way?

After You Read

A. Choose the best answer.

What was the soldier's problem?

- a. He didn't have a gun.
- b. The war was over, and he had no money.
- c. He saw a stranger with ugly feet.

B. Write T for True or F for False.

1.	The soldier had nothing but his gun.	
2.	The soldier was in a war.	
3.	The soldier's parents were very happy to see him.	
4.	The soldier thought that he will have to starve.	
5.	The war was over.	
6.	The soldier found a new job.	
7.	The soldier walked into a city.	
8.	The soldier saw a stranger with feet like a goat	

[Chapter 2] A Test of Courage

Before You Read

Look at the chapter heading and illustration. Think about the questions below.

- 1 What do you think the test will be?
- 2 Do you think the soldier will pass the test or not?
- 3 Look at the illustration on page 10. What happened to the bear?

After You Read

A. Choose the best answer.

What was the test of courage?

- a. The solider must kill twenty bears.
- b. The solider must not wash for seven years.
- c. The soldier must live in the forest for seven years.
- **B.** Put the information in the right place.
 - **1.** First, ____ **2.** Next, ___ **3.** After that, ___ **4.** In the end, ___
 - a. The strange man wanted to know if the soldier was brave or not.
 - b. The strange man made a bearskin cloak for the soldier and called him Bearskin.
 - c. The strange man told the soldier not to wash for seven years.
 - d. The soldier shot the bear in the head.

[Chapter 3] Bearskin Wanders About

Before You Read

Look at the chapter heading and illustration. Think about the questions below.

- 1 Do you think being Bearskin for seven years will be easy? Why or why not?
- 2 Look at the illustration on page 14. What is Bearskin doing?
- 3 How do you think people will react to Bearskin?

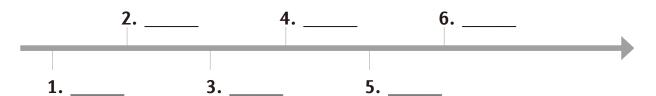
After You Read

A. Choose the best answer.

Why did Bearskin give poor people gold coins?

- a. Because he felt bad for them.
- b. Because they asked him for money.
- c. Because he wanted them to pray for him for seven years.
- **B.** Write the information in the right place.
 - a. came to a inn
- b. went about the world
- c. looked very much like other men d. promised not to show himself
- his eye
- e. bought anything that caught f. gave the poor in every place gold coins

Bearskin ...



[Chapter 4] An Old Man's Problem

Before You Read

Look at the chapter heading and illustration. Think about the questions below.

- 1 Who do you think is the old man?
- 2 Look at the illustration on page 17. What is the old man doing?
- 3 Do you think Bearskin can help the old man? Why or why not?

After You Read

A. Choose the best answer.

What was the old man's problem?

- a. He had lost his land and his money.
- b. His daughters were too beautiful.
- c. He was very hungry because he had no money.

В.	Put a check next to the things	Bearskin did.
	wished the seven years were over	saw an old man crying at the corner
	tried to run away	would not hear the old man
	paid for the old man to stay at the inn	gave a purse full of gold to the old man
	went with the old man	told the old man his story

[Chapter 5] Three Daughters

Before You Read

Look at the chapter heading and illustration. Think about the questions below.

- 1 Do you think the three daughters will like Bearskin? Why or why not?
- 2 Look at the illustration on page 20. Describe the daughters.
- 3 What does the room look like?

After You Read

A. Choose the best answer.

What did Bearskin give to the youngest daughter?

- a. He gave her a purse full of gold coins.
- b. He gave her a promise to come back.
- c. He gave her one half of a ring.

B. Match the sentence to the person who said or acted it.

- "If you have promised hima bride, your word first daughter must be kept."
- 2. She took one look at his face, screamed, and second daughter ran away.
- 3. "If I come back again, we will get married." youngest daughter
- **4.** "How can I take a husband who doesn't Bearskin even look human?"

[Chapter 6] A Time of Waiting

Before You Read

Look at the chapter heading and illustration. Think about the questions below.

- 1 Who do you think is waiting? What are they waiting for?
- 2 Look at the illustration on page 23. What are the daughters doing?
- 3 Do you think the youngest daughter will wait for Bearskin? Why or why not?

After You Read

A. Choose the best answer.

What did Bearskin ask the Evil One to do?

- a. He asked the Evil One to clean him.
- b. He asked the Evil One for a coat.
- c. He asked the Evil One for more gold.

B. Put the story in order from 1 to 7.

•	Bearskin sat down again on the hill under the circle of trees.	
•	The youngest daughter received hard words from her sisters.	
•	Bearskin continued wandering about in the world.	
•	The bride kept silent.	
•	Finally, the last day of the seven years was near.	
•	The Evil One demanded his gray coat back.	
•	The soldier was even more handsome than before.	

[Chapter 7] A Handsome Stranger

Before You Read

Look at the chapter heading and illustration. Think about the questions below.

- 1 Who do you think is the handsome stranger?
- 2 How do you think the youngest sister will feel when she sees her groom again?
- 3 Look at the illustration on page 27. How do the people in the room feel?

After You Read

A. Choose the best answer.

How did the soldier tell the youngest daughter that he was her groom?

- a. He put on a fine coat and hired a carriage to visit his bride.
- b. He put his half of the ring into a cup of wine and handed it to her.
- c. He drank the finest wine and ate the best food with her.
- B. Put information in the right place.

