

Mixed Tenses and verb forms: ROBIN HOOD(intermediate level-Advanced level)

Fill the gaps with the correct tense or verb form of the verb in brackets. Where there is no verb , insert an appropriate modal.

In Sherwood Forest , near the town of Nottingham there (1 LIVE) _____ an outlaw (2 CALL) _____ Robin Hood , the leader of a band of bowmen . They (3 ROB) _____ the rich and (4 HELP) _____ the poor .

Robin Hood's greatest enemy (5 BE) _____ the cruel sheriff of Nottingham . Robin Hood (6 THINK) _____ (7 BE) _____ a very dangerous man . One day some of Robbin's men (8 CATCH) _____ by sheriff's soldiers . They (9 THROW) _____ into prison immediately after that . When Robin (10 HEAR) _____ the news of the brothers' arrest he (11 BE) _____ very angry . "I (12) _____ like to storm the prison and rescue them ," he said "But this (13) _____ be wise . If we (14 GO) _____ to Nottigham , the sheriff's soldiers (15 CATCH) _____ us and we (16 LAND) _____ in prison , too ."

While Robin (17 SPEAK) _____ he (18 APPROACH) _____ by a beggar . This old man told Robbin that the sheriff's soldiers (19 ALREADY BUILD) _____ the gallows but the sheriff (20 NOT FIND) _____ the hangman yet . Suddenly Robbin (21 HAVE) _____ an idea . He asked the beggar if he (22 SELL) _____ him his old coat . After it (23 GIVE) _____ to him he put it on and asked his men , " (24 YOU RECOGNIZE) _____ me , if you (25 SEE) _____ me in this coat ?" "Your mother (26 NOT RECOGNIZE) _____ her own son ," said Little John , the tallest of all .

The next day Robin (27 GO) _____ to the sheriff (28 DRESS) _____ as a beggar . The sheriff told him that he (29 FIND) _____ three of Robin's men , but a person who (30 HANG) _____ them (31 NOT FIND) _____ yet .

Robin (32 EXPLAIN) _____ to the sheriff that he was ready (33 DO) _____ that . Soon the three arrested men (34 CALL) _____ to come to the gallows . While they (35 CARRY) _____ by the sheriff's soldiers - they (36) _____ walk because they (37 STARVE) _____ to death - Robin (38 GIVE) _____ his man a sign (39 COME) _____ forward and (40 HELP) _____ him.

The story of Robin Hood and his brave fellows (41 REPEAT) _____ over and over again until these days .

KEY: Robin Hood

1. lived
2. called
3. robbed
4. helped
5. was
6. was thought
7. to be
8. were caught
9. were thrown
10. heard
11. was
12. would
13. wouldn't
14. go / went
15. will catch / would catch
16. will land / would land
17. was speaking
18. was approached
19. had already built
20. hadn't found
21. had
22. would sell
23. was given
24. Would you recognize
25. saw
26. wouldn't recognize
27. went
28. dressed
29. had found
30. would hang
31. hadn't been found
32. explained
33. to do
34. were called
35. were being carried
36. couldn't
37. had been starved / were starved
38. gave
39. to come
40. help
41. has been repeated