

A REVISION OF THE FAIRY TALE BY
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Week 6



The
Snow Queen

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Spellings

My Group

1. Scheme
2. Chorus
3. Echo
4. Character
5. Ache
6. Chaos
7. Stomach
8. Chemistry
9. Orchestra
10. Technology

Miss Wood's Group

1. Fast
2. Last
3. Father
4. Class
5. Grass
6. Pass
7. Plant
8. Path
9. Bath
10. People

Monday 22nd February

Fronted adverbials

How

Cautiously, Gerda looked at the camp fire.

When

At sunset, the coach was ambushed.

Where

From the carriage, Gerda waved goodbye to the crow.

Subordinating Conjunctions

- If
- When
- Because
- Although
- However
- Before
- After

The Lapland Woman and the Finland Woman



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hey stopped at a little hut where an old Lapland woman lived. She stood cooking fish by the light of an oil lamp. The reindeer told Gerda's whole story, for Gerda was so worn out that she could not speak.

"Oh, you poor thing," said the Lapland woman, "you've a long way to go yet! You must travel more than a hundred miles into Finland. The Snow Queen is staying there, in the country."

When little Gerda was warm and had been refreshed with food and drink, the Lapland woman wrote a letter on a dried codfish, for she had no paper. She told Gerda to take it to the Finland woman. "She can help you better than I can," she said. Then the Lapland woman tied her onto the reindeer, and the reindeer sprang away. The whole night long, the most beautiful blue Northern Lights were burning. "Foom! Foom!" could be heard high in the air.

Finally they got to Finland. Finding no door, they knocked at the chimney of the Finland woman. There was such heat coming from the chimney that the woman at once loosened little Gerda's dress. She took off the child's mittens and boots, and she laid a piece of ice on the reindeer's head. Then she read what was written on the codfish. When the Finland woman knew the words by heart, she popped the fish into the soup.

Next she brought out a great rolled-up fur that had strange and wonderful letters written upon it. The Finland woman read for a long time. Then she drew the reindeer into a corner and whispered, "Little Kay is certainly at the Snow Queen's, and he thinks it's the best place in the world — but that's because of the fragment of glass in his eye and the splinter of glass in his heart. These must be removed, or he'll never be a true human being again and the Snow Queen will keep her power over him."

"Can you give little Gerda a potion so she will have the power to overcome the Snow Queen?"

"I can give her no greater power than she already has. Don't you see how great that is? Don't you see how people and animals help her, how she gets on so well in the world? Power like that cannot be given. Her power is that she is a dear innocent child. She herself must go to the Snow Queen's palace and get the glass out of little Kay's eye."



The Finland woman lifted Gerda onto the reindeer, which ran as fast as it could toward the palace of the Snow Queen.

"I forgot my boots and my mittens!" cried Gerda. But it was too late to turn back.

She felt the stinging cold, but the reindeer dared not stop. It ran until it came to a bush with red berries, and there it set Gerda down. Tears ran down the creature's cheeks as it kissed Gerda farewell. Meanwhile, poor little Gerda stood alone — without shoes or mittens, in the midst of terribly cold Finland.

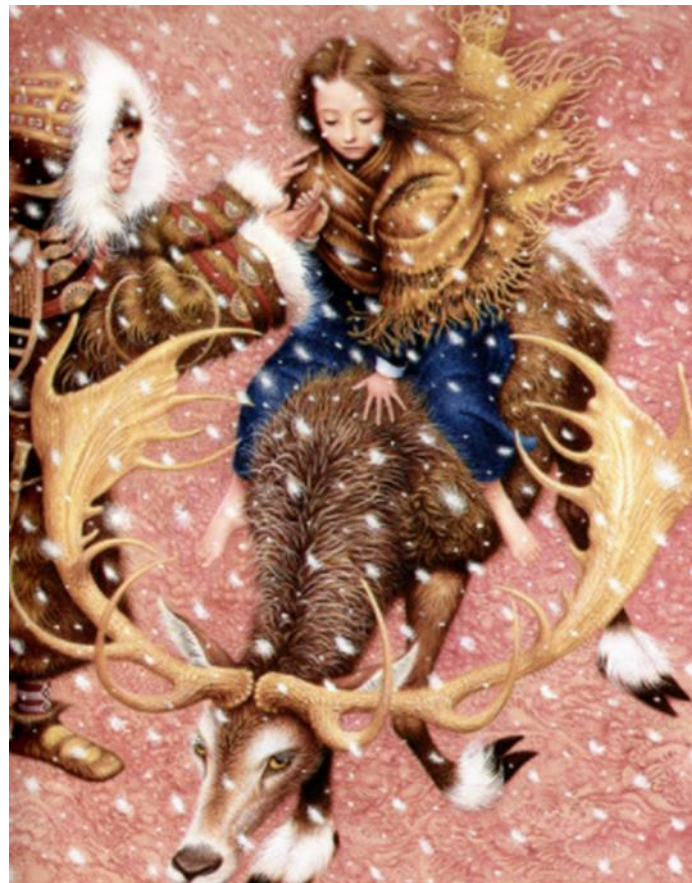
She ran as fast as possible until she came to a whole regiment of snowflakes. They didn't fall from the sky like other snowflakes, but raced along the ground like ice warriors, and the nearer they came, the larger they grew. They were soldiers of the Snow Queen, and Gerda trembled as they formed into strange and terrible shapes. Some looked like large, ugly porcupines; others like tangles of snakes with fangs of ice; and others like fierce bears whose hair stood on end. All were brilliantly white, and all of them were alive!



Terrified, little Gerda said her prayers. The cold was so great that she could see her own breath, which came from her mouth like smoke. As it became thicker and thicker, it formed itself into little angels, who grew and grew as they touched the earth. All the angels wore helmets, and carried shields and spears, and their number increased as Gerda prayed. When she had finished her prayer, a whole legion stood around her. They struck with their spears at the terrible snowflakes of the Snow Queen, and shattered them into a thousand pieces. Then the angels stroked little Gerda's hands and feet until she felt the cold less and could hurry on to the Snow Queen's palace.

And what was Kay doing?

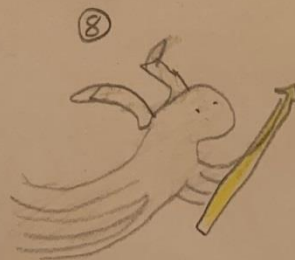
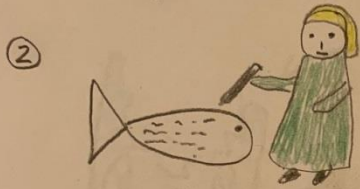
He wasn't thinking of little Gerda, and certainly didn't know that she was standing at that moment in front of the palace.



Activity 1 – Story Map

1. Gerda and the reindeer arrive at the Lapland woman's house and rests
2. Lapland woman writes message on a frozen cod.
3. Gerda and the reindeer arrive at the Finland woman's house . They rest. Finland woman reads the message and looks at special fur.
4. Finland woman tells the reindeer that Gerda is the special power to defeat the Snow Queen
5. Reindeer takes Gerda on her final journey.
6. Reindeer is scared and leaves Gerda close to the palace.
7. Gerda is cold and scared and sees an army of the Snow Queen's snowflakes.
8. Gerda's breath creates her own snow army to conquer the Snow Queen's snow flakes.

The Lapland woman and
the Finland woman



Story Map –
The Lapland
Woman and
the Finland
Woman

Ideas for Character Word Web

Gerda and the Reindeer

- Cold
- Determined
- Reliable
- Exhausted
- Hungry
- Alone
- Scared
- Terrified
- Brave
- Courageous

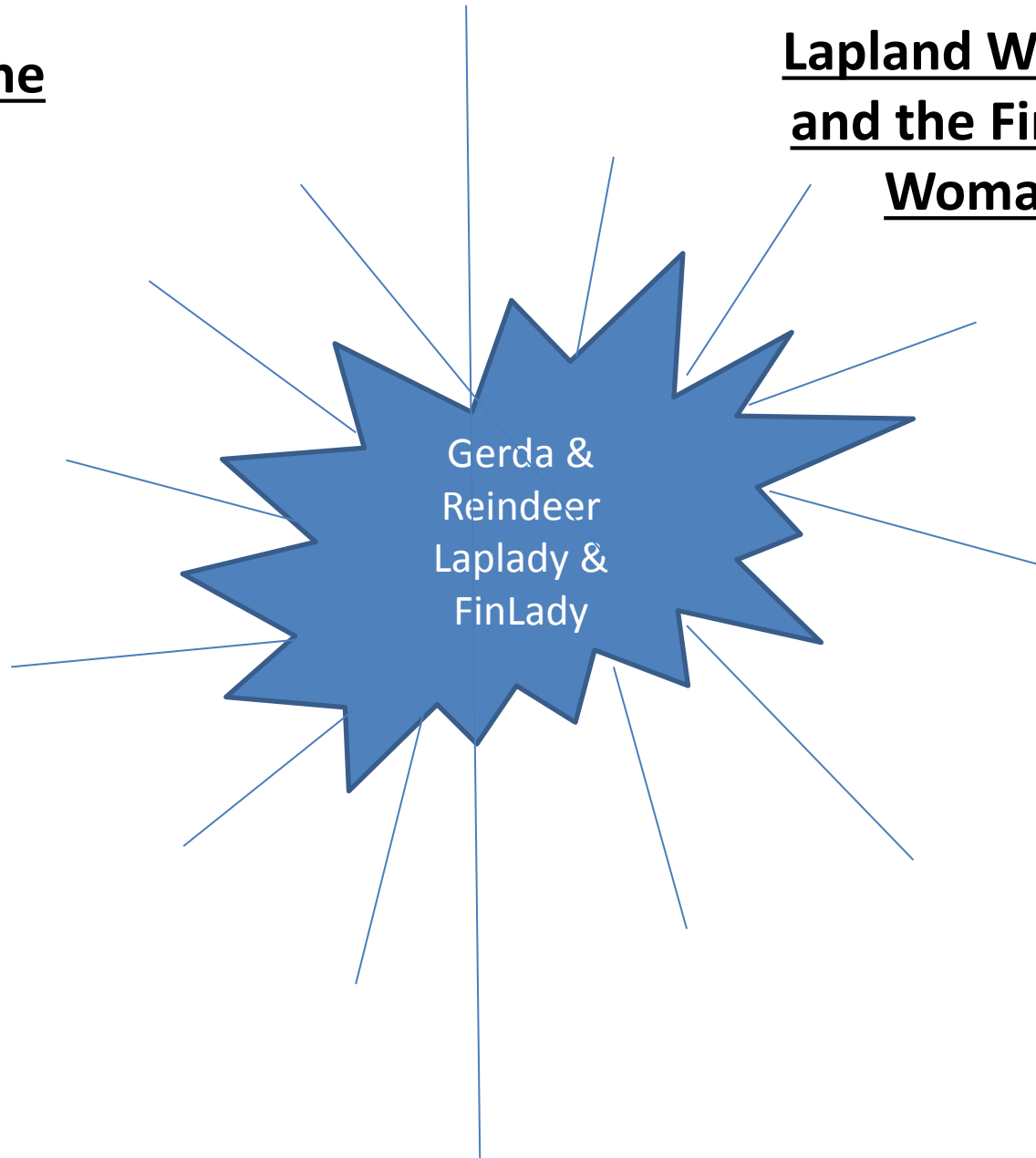
Lapland Woman and the Finland Woman

- Knowledgeable
- Intelligent
- Wise
- Caring
- Honest
- True
- Magical powers
- Believed

Activity 2 – Character Word Web

Gerda and the
Reindeer

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