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# Peter Pan

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Sir James Matthew Barrie (1860–1937) was a Scottish author. He wrote many books and plays, including the book and play *Peter Pan*, or *The Boy Who Wouldn't Grow Up*, which has been made into many films and translated into many languages, and is famous around the world. He got the idea for Peter and the Lost Boys from the children of his friends, the Llewelyn Davies family.

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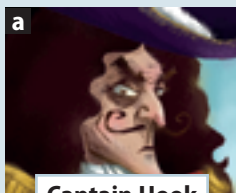
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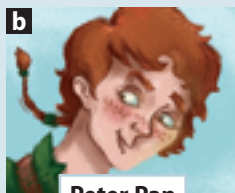
# ACTIVITIES

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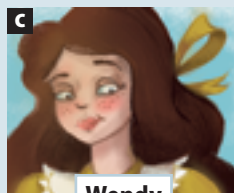
- 1 Here are some characters from *Peter Pan*. Match them with the sentences. Use a dictionary to help you.



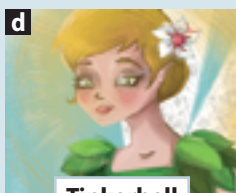
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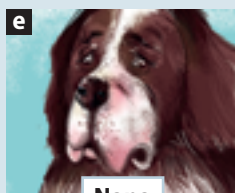
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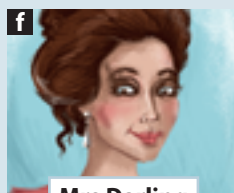
Wendy



Tinkerbell



Nana



Mrs Darling

### This character...

- |  |                                   |
|--|-----------------------------------|
| 1 takes the children to school every morning.              | 4 knew Peter Pan a long time ago. |
| 2 goes with two brothers to Neverland.                     | 5 is a very small, angry fairy.   |
| 3 lives with the fairies in Neverland, and never grows up. | 6 is a pirate and a killer.       |

- 2 In *Peter Pan*, three children go to an island called Neverland. What do you think happens to them? Tick (✓) three answers.

- a ☐ They build a house.  
 b ☐ They learn to fly.  
 c ☐ They fight with pirates.  
 d ☐ They never leave the island.  
 e ☐ They nearly die.



- 3 In the story, Peter Pan never grows old. Would you like this to happen to you? Why or why not?

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## Chapter 1 Dreaming of Peter Pan

Every morning, Mr and Mrs Darling **kissed** their children Wendy, John, and Michael goodbye. Then Nana the dog brought their coats and walked them to school.



When the children came home from school, they always played in 'Neverland'. Neverland is different for every child, but all children play there. For Wendy and her brothers, Neverland was a beautiful **island** – with **Indians** and angry **pirates**!



One night, Mrs Darling put the children into bed. Then she gave Michael his **medicine**. 'Peter Pan doesn't like medicine,' Wendy said.

**kiss** to touch with your mouth; a touch with your mouth

**island** a country in the sea

**Indian** a person who lived in North America before white people arrived

**pirate** a person on a ship who takes things from other ships

**medicine** you eat or drink this to become better when you are ill

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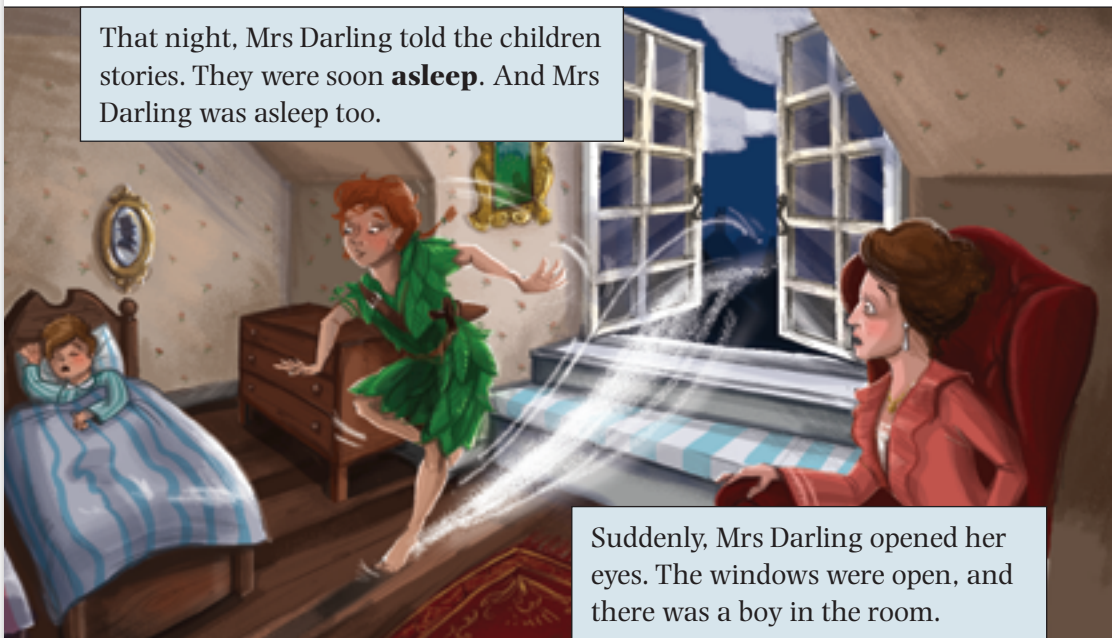
Mrs Darling remembered Peter Pan from when she was young. 'He lived with the **fairies**,' she thought. 'But he wasn't a **real** boy. Real boys **grow up**.'



One morning, Mrs Darling found some flowers in the children's room. 'Peter Pan left them,' said Wendy. 'He comes here at night when we're sleeping.' 'Wendy's only **dreaming**,' thought Mrs Darling. But where did the flowers come from?



That night, Mrs Darling told the children stories. They were soon **asleep**. And Mrs Darling was asleep too.



Suddenly, Mrs Darling opened her eyes. The windows were open, and there was a boy in the room.

**fairy** a little person in stories, with wings

**real** true, not false

**grow up** (*past grew up*) to get bigger as you get older

**dream** (*past dreamt / dreamed*) to see pictures in your head when you are sleeping; the pictures in your head when you are sleeping

**asleep** sleeping

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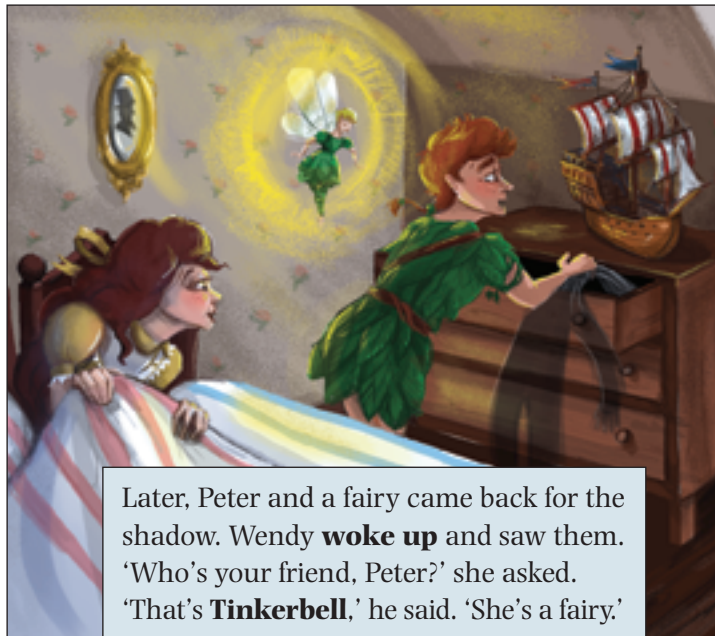
Mrs Darling remembered him at once.  
'Peter Pan!' she cried.  
Peter **flew** out of the window, but  
Nana caught his **shadow** in her teeth.



Mrs Darling put the shadow away, but she was afraid.  
'He's going to come back for it,' she thought.



Nana was afraid, too.  
The next evening, she  
made a lot of noise  
when Mr and Mrs  
Darling went out. But  
Mr Darling put her  
out into the garden.



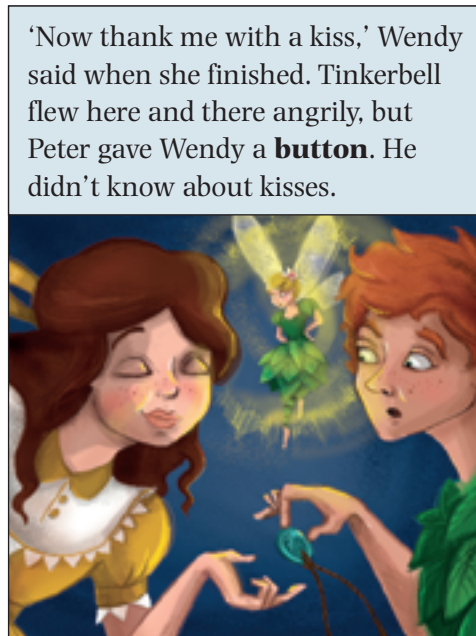
Later, Peter and a fairy came back for the  
shadow. Wendy **woke up** and saw them.  
'Who's your friend, Peter?' she asked.  
'That's **Tinkerbell**,' he said. 'She's a fairy.'

**fly** (*past flew*) to go through the air  
**shadow** a dark shape that light  
makes under or behind things

**wake up** (*past woke up*) to stop  
sleeping; to stop somebody sleeping  
**Tinkerbell** /'tɪŋ kərbəl/

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**put on** (*past put on*) to wear something or join something to yourself

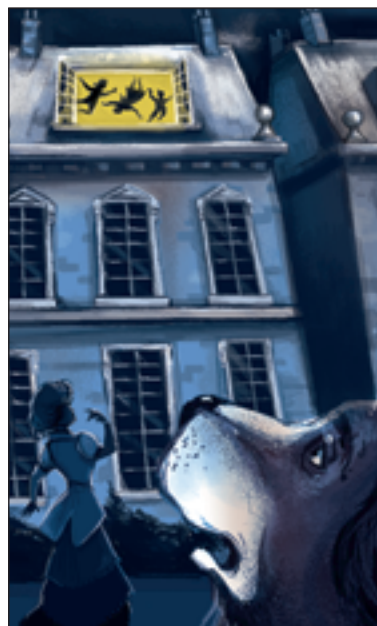
**sew on** (*past sewed on*) to join or fix something to something else

**button** a small round thing on clothes

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Peter was very happy with his shadow, and he danced.  
 'Come to Neverland and tell us stories,' he said. 'I can teach you to fly.'  
 'What about my brothers?' Wendy asked.  
 'Can you teach them, too?'  
 'Oh, all right,' said Peter. Wendy woke them up.



Peter taught the children how to fly. Nana could see them from the garden. She ran here and there, but she couldn't do anything. Then Mr and Mrs Darling came home. 'Quick,' cried Mrs Darling. 'The children!'



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