

## ON SCREEN

## Robin Hood

Before we look at the film extracts here is a photo from the first real blockbuster Robin Hood film from 1938: *The Adventures of Robin Hood* by Curtiz and Keighley, starring Errol Flynn. This film version set the stereotype for the image of Robin Hood which is still familiar with most people today.

## Over to you

- 1** Look at the photograph from the (1938) film and tick the items of clothing Robin Hood is wearing and the things he's carrying.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> armour              | <input type="checkbox"/> cap               | <input type="checkbox"/> shirt               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> dagger <sup>1</sup> | <input type="checkbox"/> belt              | <input type="checkbox"/> jerkin <sup>2</sup> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> shield <sup>3</sup> | <input type="checkbox"/> cape <sup>4</sup> | <input type="checkbox"/> trousers            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> bow <sup>5</sup>    | <input type="checkbox"/> jacket            | <input type="checkbox"/> arrows <sup>6</sup> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> tights <sup>7</sup> |  |  |

1. dagger: pugnale.

2. jerkin: giubbotto.

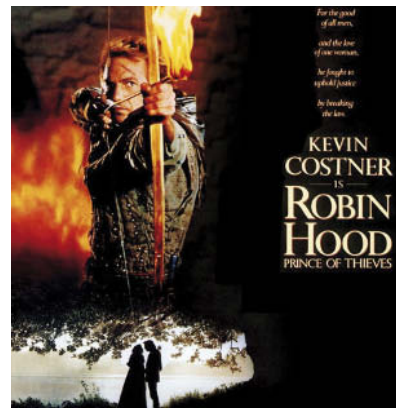
3. shield: scudo.

4. cape: mantello.

5. bow: arco.

6. arrows: frecce.

7. tights: calzamaglia.



## STARRING

Kevin Costner,  
Morgan Freeman,  
Alan Rickman  
and Mary Elizabeth  
Mastrantonio

## Robin Hood: Prince of Thieves

Directed by Kevin Reynolds (1991)



## The story on screen so far...

The Sheriff of Nottingham and his men have been on a rampage through the villages, burning them down and terrorising the villagers. Robin Hood, with his helper and friend, Azeem, decides to help the villagers. He offers to become their leader, teaching them how to hide in Sherwood Forest and how to fight and defend themselves.

## Over to you

- 1** Watch the first part of the scene. Robin is convincing the villagers to react. Listen and read the dialogue and fill in Robin's words.

Robin: 'We have food, wood for weapons. We'll find ..... (1) and solace in our ..... (2).'

Villager: 'Yes, but what about our kin?' The Sheriff's taken all they got too.'

Robin: 'Then, ..... / ..... (3) we take ..... / ..... (4).'

- 2** Now watch the whole scene twice. Put the following activities in the order you see them. The villagers learn to...

make bows and arrows .....  
collect animals for food .....  
accumulate weapons .....  
re-build their villages .....

practise with bows and arrows .....  
fight with swords .....  
build hide-outs<sup>2</sup> in the trees .....  
use bows and arrows successfully .....  
fight with sticks .....

1. kin: parenti

2. hide-outs: nascondigli.

- 3** Is Robin Hood dressed like the stereotypical figure we saw in the old film? Which similarities or differences can you find? Fill in the following table.

Similarities	Differences