



The Lion, The Witch, and The Wardrobe Excerpt: Comprehension Quiz **(Teacher and Student Versions)**

Article Reading Instructions

Quiz questions are based on chapter 1.

About the Text

In the 1950 children's fantasy novel *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe*, C.S. Lewis tells the story of four siblings relocated to an old mansion in England during World War II. In the mansion they enter a wardrobe, which is a passage to Narnia, a land full of magical creatures and ruled by the evil White Witch. The children journey to meet the true ruler of Narnia, the lion Aslan, whose army eventually defeats the White Witch. The children are crowned kings and queens, and they rule Narnia for many years. Eventually, they return home to England, where they are children again and no time has passed.

This excerpt is the first chapter of the novel. Because of air raids, four children—Peter, Susan, Edmund, and Lucy Pevensie—are sent to live with the Professor, an old man who owns a large house. Stuck inside because of the rain, they explore the house and discover a wardrobe. Lucy enters the wardrobe by herself and finds a snow-covered forest. In the forest, she meets a Faun, a little man with goat's legs. The Faun is so surprised by Lucy that he drops all the packages he's carrying.