

• Understanding the Fable

Answer the following questions.

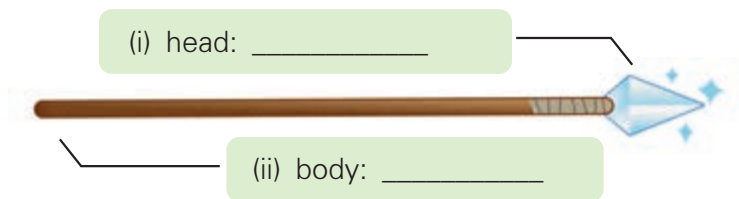
1. Ben does NOT make _____ .

- A. spears
- B. swords
- C. chairs
- D. shields

Tip

Ben is a weapon maker. What is a weapon?

2. What did Ben use to make his spear? Label the picture.



3. Put the following events in the correct order.

1. Ben sold shields in the market.
2. People laughed at Ben.
3. Ben put up an advertisement.
4. Ben made some spears.

- A. 1 → 3 → 4 → 2
- B. 3 → 4 → 2 → 1
- C. 4 → 1 → 3 → 2
- D. 4 → 3 → 1 → 2

4. Find a word in the story that is similar in meaning to "a group of people".

- A. pierce
- B. maker
- C. advertisement
- D. crowd

5. When did Ben take the shields to the market?

He took the shields to the market in _____.

6. The lady at the market is writing a complaint letter. Finish the letter with only **ONE** word for each blank. Make sure your answers are grammatically correct.

Dear Sir/Madam,

Ben said his spear is the (i) _____ spear in the world. So I bought one last month. Now he said his shield is the (ii) _____ shield in the world. I think he lied to me!

• Values and Attitudes

7. What can you learn from the story?

- A. Weapons cannot make you stronger.
- B. Be careful about what you say.
- C. Listen to your father and mother.
- D. Learn to use a spear and shield.

8. Can Ben's spear pierce through his shield? What is wrong with what Ben said?

Answer Key

1. C
 2. (i) Iron (ii) wood
 3. D
 4. D
 5. He took the shields to the market in April.
 6. (i) sharpest (ii) strongest
 7. B
 8. No, it can't. Ben said nothing could pierce through his shields. It does not make sense because he also said his spears could pierce through anything. (Answer may vary)