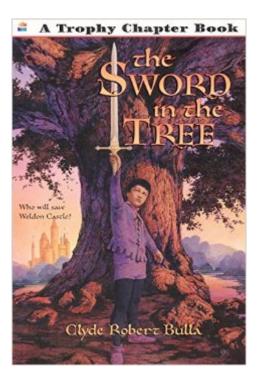
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# The Sword In The Tree (Trophy Chapter Book)





## Synopsis

In the days of King Arthur there stood a mighty oak tree within the walls of a castle. Peace reigned in the castle until the fearsome night when Lionel, longlost brother of Lord Weldon, returned to cause trouble and unhappiness. It was then that Shan, the son of Lord Weldon, took on the duties of a knight and hid the sword in the hollow of the giant oak. The days that followed were filled with adventures that tried the courage of the young boy. Shan was surprised by bearded robbers in the woods. He met noble knights in plumed helmets, and eventually he even made a trip to high-towered Camelot. His story is filled with the pageantry and color of England in King Arthur's time. It creates a vivid picture of the Knights of the Round Table and the wisdom of King Arthur himself.Mr. Bulla captures the spirit of those romantic days in a straightforward, exciting manner. The result is another delightful book for his wide audience of young readers. Paul Galdone's vigorous illustrations are as evocative as the text.

### **Book Information**

Lexile Measure: 380L (What's this?) Series: Trophy Chapter Book Paperback: 112 pages Publisher: HarperCollins; Harper Trophy ed. edition (May 3, 2000) Language: English ISBN-10: 0064421325 ISBN-13: 978-0064421324 Product Dimensions: 5.1 x 0.2 x 7.6 inches Shipping Weight: 3.2 ounces (View shipping rates and policies) Average Customer Review: 4.8 out of 5 stars Â See all reviews (40 customer reviews) Best Sellers Rank: #28,321 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #10 in Books > Children's Books > Fairy Tales, Folk Tales & Myths > Arthurian #371 in Books > Children's Books > Literature & Fiction > Chapter Books & Readers > Chapter Books #1399 in Books > Children's Books > Growing Up & Facts of Life > Family Life Age Range: 8 - 12 years Grade Level: 3 - 7

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Once your child has moved beyond easy phonetic readers, you'll want to find interesting books with large print that aren't too difficult or overwhelming for the new reader. Bulla's "The Sword in the

Tree" fits this description perfectly. Try reading the first chapter to your young reader to spark his interest. Then read the next chapter or two aloud together so he/she becomes familiar with the words and flow. Then sit back and listen as your child finishes reading this exciting book about greed, courage, and chivalry.

This book is great for children who are working on reading but who yearn for intellectual stimulation which is missing from the other books they get to read. The plot is fascinating and the story provides interesting historical information. A real winner.

I read this to my 6 year old daughter in one sitting - she wouldn't let me stop! Great adventure for a kid who loves knights and castles. The language is simple enough that my first grader could have read it herself. The story is exciting but not too scary.

Bought this for my son in 2nd grade. Great book for him to read. He finished in in two days but was his second book to read all by himself. He thought it ended to abruptly and wished there was a second one.

(written by 9 year old reader of book)There are 14 chapters in this book. It has people like King Arthur. It has a sword in it. And it has a battle in it. There is an Oak Tree that is the tree. There is a picture in every chapter. You will like this story. Do not take my word for it, look for this book in the library or the book store.(note from parent:)My son really enjoyed reading The Sword in the Tree, just as he has other books by Bulla. They are excellent even for relunctant readers like the one who wrote the above review.

This book is an excellent source for "medieval" units. I have used it with weak 5th grade English as a Second language readers and they are very successful with it. It teaches grade level content at a lower reading level. They do not feel they are reading an easy book. It is a wonderful starter book for reluctant readers.

We read a lot of books for homeschool, and this one was on the list. It was a very easy read in which we finished in just a day or two. We usually read a chapter a day, but our 8 year old wanted to keep reading. Really great story of a brave little boy!

For a grandson who loves to play with his castle and knight figures, this book is a natural addition to that world and an introduction into another time and place. My grandsons are 8 and 5 and I want them to know about the whole world and all those times past when battles were fought and principles lived up to. They will realize that history repeats itself and if they learn from that, then perhaps they can make their future world a better place to be.

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