

DESCRIBING CREATURES



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Spotlight 9 3 a Reading

- **Ключевые слова:**
- **mythical creatures** – мифические существа,
- **report sightings** – докладывать о случае,
- **humped back** – горбатая спина,
- **long tail** длинный хвост,
- **snake-like head** змееподобная голова,
- **survive**– выжить
- **horrifying** - ужасный,
- **Approach** - приближаться,
- **giant tentacles** - гигантские щупальца,
- **sharp hooks** – острые крюки,

- Across – в ширину,
- violent - сильный, мощный
- whirlpool - водоворот
- hairy - волосатый,
- extinct ape – вымерший примат,
- Unfortunately – к сожалению,
- so far – так далеко,
- catch a glimpse of – увидеть мельком,
- Glance – бросить быстрый взгляд,
- Glare – пристально смотреть,
- Notice - замечать,
- Spot - замечать,
- Stare - уставиться

- В английском языке есть разные глаголы, обозначающие разные способы посмотреть на предмет, увидеть его.

- **Catch a glimpse of**

- Например: I think I've just **caught a glimpse of** a small hairy creature. Did you see anything?

- **Glance**

- Например: Kelly **glanced** quickly **at** her watch and then back at the water.

- **Glare**

- Например: The creature seemed **to glare at** me from the page of the book.

- **Notice/spot**

- Например: Did you **notice/spot** anything unusual about him?

- We've all heard well-known stories of ancient mythical creatures such as dragons, but to this day, people all over the world continue to report sightings of various mysterious monsters.



- **You've all heard of the famous Loch Ness Monster in Scotland, with its humped back, long tail and snake-like head. People have been reporting sightings of it since the 6th century. There have been even some photos taken of Nessie. Some people believe that Nessie is a dinosaur that somehow survived in Loch Ness.**



People in Norway have the legend of the Kraken, a horrifying deep-sea monster that was a mile and a half across.

As ships approached, the Kraken would wrap its giant tentacles with sharp hooks around them or create a violent whirlpool to put them down to the bottom of the ocean.



Bigfoot, a strange-looking big hairy creature, has been a part of American folklore for years. Most people describe it as a two-legged creature two to three metres tall with long arms and a short neck. Some scientists believe it could be a species of extinct ape, but unfortunately so far no one has found a Bigfoot body or skeleton.



Match the words and phrases to their meaning.

1. catch a glimpse of

2. glance

3. glare

4. spot

5. stare

а. увидеть мельком

б. взглянуть

с. смотреть

пристально со злостью

д. заметить

е. смотреть

пристально с

удивлением

- **Complete the text with the words.**
- • monster • legend • coast • horrifying • ancient • mysterious
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- In the Mediterranean Sea, in the south of the Greek1) _____, lies the island of Crete. According to the2) _____, in 3) _____times, a creature called Minotaur lived there. Half-man, half-bull, the Minotaur was truly 4) _____. The King of Crete, Minos, kept the Minotaur in a maze which had many5) _____, twisting passaged. Every nine years, the King of Athens sent fourteen children for this strange-looking
- 6) _____to eat...

- Complete the sentences with the verbs in the correct form.
- 1) Don't _____ (stare) at the strangers, Tommy! It's impolite!
- 2) She _____ (spot) a snake-like creature hiding in the grass.
- 3) I only _____ (catch a glimpse) but I think it was a rabbit.
- 4) They _____ (glare) at each other angrily while their friends were trying to calm them down.
- 5) He _____ (glance) over his shoulder nervously.

- **Choose the right variant.**
- 1) The sailor only caught a quick **glimpse/glare** of the beautiful mermaid before she dived back in the sea.
- 2) The knight hid behind the rock and **glanced/stared** in wonder at the fire-breathing dragon.
- 3) The child said he had **spotted/looked** a strange creature in the sky.
- 4) The children **approached/survived** the village late at night.
- 5) Most scientists think dinosaurs couldn't **approach/survive** in any place of our planet.



▪ **Match the words to form collocations.**

▪ • whirlpool • tentacles • head • sightings •
hooks • back • creature

1. sharp

2. mythical

3. snake-like

4. report



5. violent

6. humped

7 giant

Match the words and phrases to their meaning.

- seen • stay alive • until now • come closer • wide
- with great force • things that have been • tell people about

1. report

2. sightings

3. so far

4. survive

5. violent

6. approach

7. across

8. horrifying



▪ Match the words with their opposites.

▪ • weak • luckily • miniature • unknown •
real

1. mythical

2. famous

3. unfortunately

4. giant

▪ violent



- **Complete the sentences.**
- • violent whirlpool • sharp hooks • huge eye • snake-like head • sightings • mythical creature
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- 1) The unicorn is a _____ in Greek mythology.
- 2) The Kraken creates a _____ when it dives back to the ocean.
- 3) There have been many _____ of a strange ape-like creature in the mountains of southern California.
- 4) The _____ on the tentacles of the giant squid can cut deep scars into a fisherman's skin.
- 5) People who have seen the Loch Ness Monster say it has a long neck and a _____.
- 6) In Greek mythology, a Cyclops was a giant with a _____ in the middle of his forehead.

- **Choose the correct word.**
- 1) Old castles are very popular **sights/sightings** in Britain.
- 2) Two fishermen reported **sights/sightings** of a strange ten-legged creature in the lake yesterday.
- 3) People thought it was a(n) **extinct/mythical** species of fish, until it was caught in 1938.
- 4) Annie loves books about dragons, giants and other **extinct/mythical** creatures.

Express the same in Russian.

1.glare

2.spot

3.stare

4.sharp hooks

5.mythical creature

6.snake-like head

7.report sightings

- **Complete the sentences with the verbs in the correct form.**
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- 1) Why _____ (you glare) at Stewart so angrily?
- 2) When we _____ (approach) the house we were totally exhausted.
- 3) Sometimes you can _____ (notice) the stars falling from the sky?
- 4) People _____ (report) sightings of mythical creatures for years.
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- Choose the correct word.
- 1) Last night I dreamt that a violent/horrifying whirlpool was pulling me to the bottom of the ocean.
- 2) Andrew's nightmare was absolutely violent/horrifying: a three-headed monster was following him!
- 3) Nessie has a long neck and a humped/hairy back.
- 4) Bigfoot is known as a two-legged creature with a humped/hairy body.



Express the same in Russian.

- 1.violent whirlpool
- 2.humped back
- 3.giant tentacles
- 4.glance
- 5.catch a glimpse of
- 6.notice
7. horrifying



Your homework will be:

Ex. 3,4 and learn new words.

**The lesson is over. Thanks
for your attention.**

Good bye!

