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When the King of Crete's son died in the city of Athens, he wanted **revenge**. Athens had to send him fourteen young people every nine years. He put them into a **labyrinth** where a creature called the **Minotaur** killed them. One year Theseus, son of the King of Athens, arrived in Crete ...



The King's court



No! I have come to kill the Minotaur.

That night.



Ssh! I'm Ariadne. My father will kill you if he finds me here. Take these three things into the labyrinth.

Theseus **unwound** the **string** so he could find his way back out of the labyrinth.



Theseus threw powder at the Minotaur, so it could not see. He attacked it with his **sword**.



Poor Minotaur. He probably hated his life in this labyrinth.

The Minotaur is dead. Come back to Athens with me.



So Theseus and his companions **escaped** back to Athens with Ariadne.

Answer the questions after reading the story of Theseus and the minotaur.

1. Choose the correct words:

- a. The plot of the story is about a young man who kills a (monster/Labyrinth) with the help of the (King of Crete/ the King of Crete's daughter).

2. What happened to the people in the Labyrinth?

3. What did Theseus do with:

- a. the powder _____
- b. the string _____
- c. the sword _____

4. Look at the word bubbles. Copy a bubble that shows:

- a. speaking: _____
- b. a loud noise: _____
- c. thinking: _____

5. What did Ariadne do at the end of the story?

6. Why do you think she did this?