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5. How does the poet describe King Arthur? Does he remind you of anyone you know or have known?
6. What does Arthur challenge the Green Knight to do? Why, do you think he would suggest this?
7. What is the Knight’s reaction to this challenge?
8. Explain what kind of ruler you think King Arthur is based on what you have learned about him thus far. Use your text to support your answer.
9. Is Sir Gawain’s decision to step up and play the game for King Arthur one of honor or foolishness? Use textual support to explain your answer.
10. Which characteristics of a medieval romance are reflected in lines 161-174?
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