

# Year 6 - Unheard histories

Surround the picture with words to describe Alfred the Great.



In look, in speech, and in manners he was graceful His noble nature implanted in him from his cradle a love of wisdom above all things; but, with shame be it spoken, by the unworthy neglect of his parents and nurses, he remained illiterate even till he was twelve years old or more ; but he listened with serious attention to the Saxon poems which he often heard recited, and easily retained them in his docile memory. He was a zealous practiser of hunting in all its branches, and hunted with great assiduity and success; for skill and good fortune in this art, as in all others.

1 What qualities did Alfred the Great have?

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2 Did Bishop Asser think Alfred was a good king?  
Give evidence to support your answer.

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3 Why was Alfred the Great significant?

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