

# Family Learning Challenge

Week 7  
Friday 8th May

*This week's theme: Scottish Myths and Legends*  
*Join in the fun this week by learning about some of the mystical Scottish creatures and exciting tales*

## How to take part:

*Each Family Learning Challenge is a mini project full of fun, themed activity ideas for children to complete with their families. Each week the project will finish with a final challenge, which you can submit to Children's University and to your school community online. Share your learning with the community and keep connected with others!*

1.  
*Make a start by completing the starter activity below...*

2.  
*Build your project by picking from some of the fun mini activities in the grid on the second page. You can do as many as you like to explore this week's theme!*

3.  
*Complete the final Family Challenge on the third page when you're ready, and submit it to the Children's University community online!*

**Make a start here!**

*One of the most famous Scottish myths is the story of Loch Ness. Watch the video "Does the Loch Ness Monster Exist: Colossal Mysteries" on YouTube <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xImL2O07Wn8>*

# Build Your Project

Now you've made a start, pick from some of the fun follow up activities below to explore this week's topic! Can you think of other great activities around this theme? Share them with our community!

## Activity #1

The Kelpies are now a famous landmark in Scotland. What are Kelpies? Can you find the name of the artist, the location of the sculptures and what they are made of? Try to produce a Fact file with your family about the Kelpies.

## Activity #2

Create a "surgeons photo" like the one in the YouTube Loch Ness video. Can you make a photo look like you could have found a monster somewhere?

## Activity #3

A Selkie is another mythical Scottish creature.  
 Can you create a "missing poster" asking someone to contact you if they spot a Selkie. Remember to look up what a Selkie looks like so your drawing is accurate and give it a name!

## Activity #4

Watch this video to find out about the national animal of Scotland "Mythical Creatures in Scotland" [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8vVxb\\_PgLCQ](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8vVxb_PgLCQ)  
 Try the drawing the task from the clip and create your own version of this majestic creature!

## Activity #5

The Ghillie Dhu lives in forests and is always kind to children. Can you create a Ghillie Dhu hunt for other people in our house? You could draw pictures of the Ghillie Dhu and hide them in the house or garden or you could create a fact treasure hunt that leads people to the hidden Ghillie Dhu.

## Activity #6

Can you tell the story of one of the mythical creatures of Scotland? You could write it, or get creative and use pictures to tell your story!

# Family Challenge

Now you have taken part in some of the mini activities, time to complete your final mission...

Complete the **Family Challenge** below, and submit your completed challenge to Children's University Scotland.

Every entry we receive will be entered into our scrapbook each week and shared with the community who helped to create it online. Take up the challenge and get involved!

**This week's challenge...**

## Activity title: Create your own Mystical Creature

This week you have learned all about Scottish Myths and Legends. Use your imagination to complete this task

1. Using any materials you have, create a mystical beast
2. Where would your beast live and what would it eat? Can you create a legend that goes with it?

Send us your photos or videos!

### Submit your challenge!

You can submit your challenge entry in the following ways:

Don't forget to include your name, age, and school. Ask an adult to help you.

#### 1. Via Twitter

Tweet a picture of your work to [@ChildrenUniScot](https://twitter.com/ChildrenUniScot)  
 Use the hashtags #FamilyLearningChallenge and #CUS.  
 Don't forget to tag your school's twitter account too!

#### 2. Via Email

Email your work to [contactus@childrensuniversity.scot](mailto:contactus@childrensuniversity.scot)

#### 3. Via Facebook

Send us a message on Facebook with a picture of your completed challenge. Our Facebook page can be found by searching for '[Children's University Scotland](https://www.facebook.com/ChildrensUniversityScotland)'.

### Collect your credits!

If you have a Children's University Aspire account, you can collect **2 credits** for completing the Family Challenge!

Send us your entry first, and then log your credits online at [www.cus-aspire.com](http://www.cus-aspire.com).

Search for 'Family Learning Challenge' in the activity search to find the activity.

More activities are available at...

[www.childrensuniversity.scot/cu-members/learning-at-home](http://www.childrensuniversity.scot/cu-members/learning-at-home)