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Getting the facts straight

As you read the Earl of Essex's speech, identify the facts you need to answer these questions. Tick the correct facts.

- When was the speech given? a) 1254 b) 1955 c) 1595
- Which of these definitions describes a joust?
 - One of a series of parallel wooden supports.
 - A combat between two knights on horseback.
 - A place at which two things come together.
- Which land is seated between the old world and the new?
 - France
 - Ancient Greece
 - England
- In the speech, which Queen rules in peace and honour?
 - Queen Elizabeth II
 - Queen Elizabeth I
 - Queen Boudica
- Who was Atlas?
 - A printer who made the first book of maps.
 - An explorer who drew the first map.
 - A character from Greek mythology who held the world on his shoulders.
- What do the Queen's virtues have to make up for?
 - Her friends' weaknesses
 - Her father's marriages
 - Her servants' mistakes
 - Stories made up about her
 - Her favourites' flattery
 - Plots and uprisings
- In Essex's opinion, what is England best at?
 - bowling
 - losing at football
 - telling stories
 - waging war
 - winning Olympic medals
- What two of these does the Queen use to calm her people?
 - her majesty
 - sedatives
 - bribery
 - her policy



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