

Geoffrey of Monmouth: Reading 6
Reading 6 Answers

1. Jane meets with some people for lunch, and they try to get her to join their group called the Pendragon. Jane, however, is independent and doesn't want to join their group but will help them out by telling them her dreams.
Jane meets Arthur and Camilla Denniston for a picnic lunch, and Arthur refers to the head of their organization as The Pendragon.
2. It is similar to the story of David and Bathsheba. David sees her bathing and gives in to his temptation. They have an affair, and David tries to cover it up by having the husband come home, but the husband wants to stay and fight the battle, so David puts him on the front line, and that kills him. David then marries Bathsheba, and they have a boy named Solomon, who is Arthur in this story.
In both, a king is stealing the wife of one of his great warriors, and the warriors are faithful to the king. The king covers up the adultery by killing the husband in battle. Uther is David, Igerna is Bathsheba, and Gorlois is Uriah the Hittite. Therefore, Arthur is Solomon.
3. This is the first time that Merlin uses magic for the seduction of Igerna. Merlin, however, claims that he didn't use magic and, instead, used medicine.
This is the clearest moment of "magic" that we see. There is no mention of spells, just medicine. We are left to assume that magic is involved because there is no other explanation.
4. The uneducated class said that it was unbelievable while the educated were the ones who believed it. I agree with the uneducated class on this one because N.I.C.E is a sketchy company.
The lower class assumes that everything is propaganda and won't believe a word of it. The educated class is taken in by what they read ironically since they are the group who would pride themselves in their shrewdness.
5. N.I.C.E does not care about nature in the slightest bit, while St. Annes cares for nature. N.I.C.E was kicking Jane's friend out of her house to build their company, so she went to St. Annes to find a home.
Mark went for a walk in the gardens at Belbury, and everything about them was unnatural and uncomfortable. Animals were going to be dissected alive at N.I.C.E. Jane meets the Dennistons, and they discuss the weather. The people at St. Annes are friends with the natural world, while the people at Belbury are at war with it.