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Un exercice sur le discours indirect.
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Link words: even; again; also; then; so; finally

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Corrigé

The crowd **shouted** that they had got a witch, and a villager **proudly announced to/ informed** Bedevere that they had found one. He **asked** him **politely** whether they may/ might burn her. Bedevere **asked** them how they knew she was a witch. Another villager **replied** that that she looked like one, so Bedevere **asked/ ordered** them to bring her forward. The witch **vigorously protested** that she was not a witch, but Bedevere **objected** that she was dressed as one. She **accused** the crowd of dressing her up like this, but they **insisted** that they had not. The witch **added** that it wasn't her nose either, that it was a false one. So Bedevere **asked** the crowd whether it was true. The first villager **admitted** that they had done the nose, and **even** the hat. But he **firmly claimed** that she was a witch. The crowd **then** supported him, **shouting** that they wanted to burn her. Bedevere **inquired again** whether they had dressed her up like that. The crowd **first replied** that they hadn't, but **finally admitted** that they actually had, but just a bit. They also **pointed out** that she had a wart.

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