

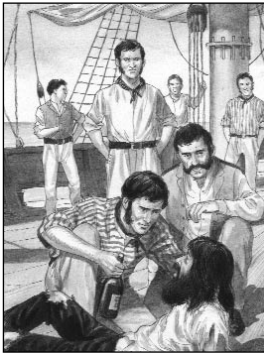
The Treasure of Monte Cristo

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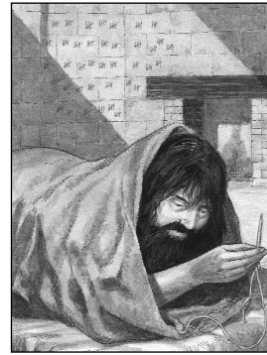
A Before Reading

- 1 This story is an adventure story about a hidden treasure. There are many stories like this. Have you seen the films *Raiders of The Lost Ark*, *Treasure Island* or *Pirates of the Caribbean*? These are all adventure stories about a hidden treasure. Do you know of any other similar stories?
- 2 Below are five pictures from the story.
 - (a) What can you tell from the pictures?
 - (b) Try to guess in which order they appear in the book.
 - (c) What do you think happens in this adventure? Make up a short story based on the pictures below.

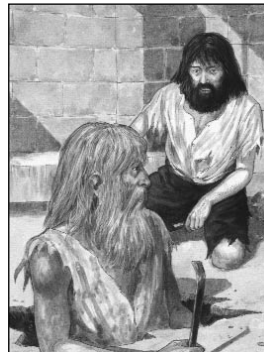
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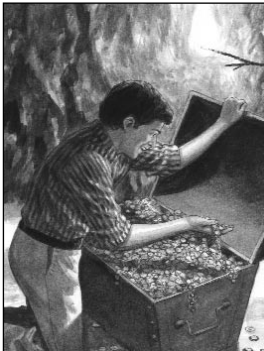
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B While Reading

- 3 Read chapters 1 to 5. Choose the right character to answer the following questions; there could be more than one person for each answer.

Who is engaged to be married?	
Who owns or works on a ship?	
Who is jealous of Edmond Dantès?	
Who is in love with Mercédès?	
Who betrays Edmond Dantès for their own benefit?	
Who is sent to prison?	

4 Edmond Dantès goes to many places in this story. Find the following places on the map, and put them in the order he visits them.

The ship *Jeune-Amélie*

Les Catalans

Island of Monte Cristo

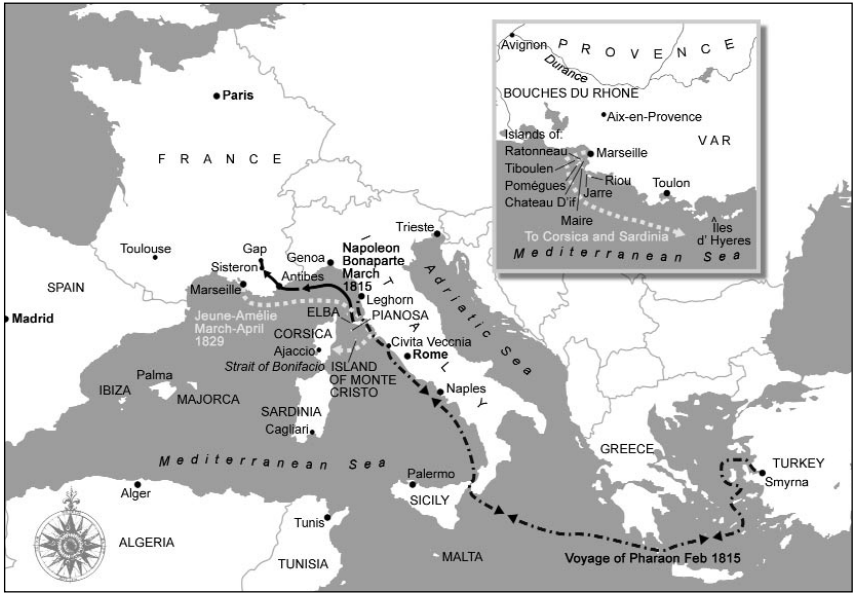
Corsica

Island of If

Island of Tiboulén

Marseille

Leghorn



C After Reading

- 5 (a) What do you think Dantès will do with the treasure? Make a list of the things he will do first now that he is wealthy.
- (b) What will he do about Mercédès, Gérard de Villefort, Danglars and Fernand?
- (c) What would you do if you suddenly became very wealthy?

6 Imagine Edmond Dantès can write one letter to Mercédès from his prison on the island of If. Write that letter.

7 This book is to be made into a film. Say which actors will play the main characters and why you have chosen them. Design a film poster and a short radio advertisement.