



The Count of Monte Cristo

Book key

1 Napoleon, Chateau d'If, Cesare Borgia, Marseilles

2–3 Open answers

- 4 a Bars on a window help keep you in.
b Water is a liquid.
c A prayer is a message to God.
d A grave is a place for a dead person.
e The captain is the most important person on a ship.
f An axe is used for cutting wood.
g A lamp makes a room light.
h The shore is near to the sea.
i Treasure will make you rich.
j A chest is a large box.

- 5 a Edmond Dantes
b Mr Morrel
c Danglars
d Edmond Dantes
e Napoleon
f Edmond Dantes's father
g Caderousse
h Mercedes
i An officer of the law

6 Possible answers:

- a Edmond loves Mercedes and wants to marry her.
b Danglars doesn't like Edmond because he is successful.
c Mr Morrel likes Edmond. He wants him to become captain of the Pharaoh.
d Caderousse doesn't like Edmond. He is greedy for Edmond's money and he also likes Mercedes.
e They both hate Edmond, so they become friends.

7 Open answers

8 Possible answers:

- a honest, kind
b angry, bad
c greedy, weak
d loving, beautiful

9 Open answers

10 a T b U c U d T e U f U g T h T
i T j U

- 11 a Dantes was preparing for his wedding to Mercedes.
b Captain Leclerc was the captain of the Pharaoh.
c Dantes visited Marshal Bertrand to give him a letter.
d The letter is addressed to the judge's father. It shows that his father is an enemy of the king.

- e Villefort sends Dantes to a prison, the Chateau d'If.
f Dantes knows that prisoners never return from the Chateau d'If.
g Dantes asks to see the prison governor.
h The soldiers think that Dantes is crazy. He will make trouble.
i The chief officer of prisons and the prison governor visit the prisoners' rooms.
j The judge wrote lies in the prison book. The chief officer thinks that Edmond Dantes is a dangerous man. He believes he helped Napoleon.

12–14 Open answers

15 a sound b bed c narrow room d stop
e happy f Italy g night h white i Spada

- 16 a Edmond breaks his water pot because he needs a sharp tool.
b He puts back the big stone and moves his bed to hide the hole.
c When part of the floor in his room falls away, Dantes sees the arms and head of a man.
d Before Faria came to the Chateau d'If, he was in the prison of Fenestrelle.
e Dantes gives the red liquid to Faria because Faria is very ill.
f Cesare Borgia needs money to fight wars.
g Spada dies because he drinks Borgia's wine.
h Cesare Borgia looks for the Spada treasure but cannot find it.
i Faria burns a piece of paper and sees writing about the treasure on it.
j Faria shows Dantes the letter because Faria will never escape from the Chateau d'If.

17 A piece of paper inside the prayer book tells Faria where he will find the treasure.

18–19 Open answers

20 a 7 b 10 c 1 d 6 e 3 f 8 g 2 h 5
i 9 j 4

- 21 a The red liquid is Faria's medicine, but it does not save him from death.
b The guards put Faria's body in the cloth bag. Dantes takes the body out and hides there. The guards throw him into the sea and he escapes from the Chateau d'If.
c The heavy weight pulls Dantes to the bottom of the sea.
d Dantes uses the knife to cut open the cloth bag. He can now swim away from the Chateau d'If.



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- e Monte Cristo is a quiet island with no customs officer. The captain of the *Young Amelia* can meet the Turkish ship there. Nobody will see them. It is also the island where Spada's treasure is hidden.
- f The Turkish ship is carrying expensive cloth. The captain of the *Young Amelia* wants to buy this. He does not want to pay the customs officers.

22–25 Open answers

26 a 2 b 4 c 8 d 1 e 10 f 3 g 6 h 9
i 5 j 7

27 a Jacopo

b The sailors on the *Young Amelia*

c Prince Spada

d A boat builder in Genoa

e Edmond Dantes's father

f Mercedes

g Napoleon

h Danglars

i Caderousse

j Edmond Dantes

28–39 Open answers

Discussion activities key

1 Open answers

	Danglars	Morrel	Caderousse	asks for money	speaks about ...	doesn't like orders	neighbour	seaman in charge of ...	owner
Danglars				X	X	✓	X	✓	X
Morrel				X	✓	X	X	X	✓
Caderousse				✓	X	X	✓	X	X
asks for money	X	X	✓				✓	X	X
speaks about Napoleon	X	✓	X				X	X	✓
doesn't like taking orders	✓	X	X				X	✓	X
neighbour	X	X	✓	✓	X	X			
seaman in charge of goods	✓	X	X	X	X	✓			
owner	X	✓	X	X	✓	X			

3 Open answers

4 Possible answer: 700 km approximately

5–10 Open answers

11 Open answers; he breaks the water pot and uses a sharp piece

12–14 Open answers

15 Open answers; Faria has died and the guard has just found him. He is speaking to other guards. Edmond will escape taking the place of Faria's dead body.

16–17 Open answers

18 Possible answer: his trips on the *Young Amelia* covered at least around 900 km, more than the 700 estimated for the return of the *Pharaoh*.

19–22 Open answers

Activity worksheets key

- F He says that Policar will be happy when he hears about Napoleon. (page 2)
 - T Morrel tells Edmond not to tell people about the letter he brings because he can get into trouble. (page 2)
 - F He was surprised when Morrel said to him that he would be the Captain. (page 3)
 - T Edmond offers Morrel to take him to the shore on the boat when he is about to leave. (page 3)
 - T Even though he doesn't like Danglars he tells Morrel that he works well.
 - T He asked Edmond's father for his money back, even though Mr Dantes didn't have money for food (page 4); he looked hungrily at the money that Edmond put on the table (page 5); he asked Danglars to pay for the wine they would drink at La Réserve. (page 5)
 - T Edmond tried to hide his real feelings when he greeted Caderousse. (page 5)
- 1815 + 1 ÷ 4 – 14 ÷ 20 + 3 = 25: Danglars's age
- Edmond to Morrel, when he called him to ask him about the day on the island of Elba
 - Morrel to Edmond, when he tells him he will be the Captain of the *Pharaoh*
 - Mercedes to Morrel, when she asked for news about Edmond
 - Edmond's father to Edmond, when he tells him that Caderousse asked for some money back
 - Edmond and Mercedes to the cook of La Réserve, when they were organising their wedding
- Possible answers:
 - Where were you when Leclerc died?
 - Did you tell anyone about Marshal Bertrand's letter?
 - Can I come / Will you invite me to your wedding?



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- 5 a ED b JV c JV d JV e JV
- 6 a Mercedes, his father, Morrel, his happy life
b the Chateau d'If
c his trip to the prison/being a prisoner
d his first cell/room in the prison
e His second cell/room in the prison, underground
- 7 Open answers
- 8 a sharp b path c angry d dinner e arm
SPADA; it is the surname of the family that owned the treasure
- 9 a 27 b 4 c 1807 d 3 e 1498 f 1811
- 10 a F; He was a friend and helper.
b F; he killed one of his ancestors.
c T
d T
e T
f F
g T
- 11 a Faria's medicine
b the bag where the guards put Faria's body
c Faria's body
d the same bag, though now Edmond is in it
e the stone that the guards tied to the bag
f (two guards with) a lamp
g himself; his face
h the treasure
- 12 Open answers
- 13 a death / time to die
b died
c the silence of death
d the sea
e the Chateau d'If / a prison
+ Open answers
- 14 a 4 b 6 c 1 d 3 e 2 f 5 g 7
- 15 a two days
b in the evening
c lose
d waits until fresh air gets into the room
e his enemies
f he has seen him through the window
g the Count has been kind to him
- 16 Open answers

Progress test key

- 1 a 2 b 3 c 4 d 1 e 5
- 2 a Napoleon
b Policar
c Leclerc
d Villefort
e Danglars
f Paris
- 3 a F b T c T d F
- 4 a ✓ b ✗ c ✓ d ✓
- 5 a carelessness
b hopelessness
c underground
d happiness
- 6 a T Faria was a small man and to reach it he had to stand on Edmond's shoulders while Edmond was on the table.
b T He taught English to Edmond.
c F He wanted to kill two people to get their money.
d T He asked Faria to write a book with the history of his family.
- 7 a 4 b 1 c 3 d 5 e 2
- 8 a No b Yes c No d Yes
- 9 a stones
b holes
c ring
d stream
e hole
f corner