

## CHAPTER 4

### Comprehension

**1 Read the following statements. In each box write T if the sentence is True and F if it is False.**

- Dantes reached the shore just as a wild storm started. ☐
- Dantes told the captain that he had been on a ship that sank. ☐
- Dantes went onto the island of Monte Cristo with another sailor. ☐
- Dantes' new sailor friends went with him to Marseilles. ☐
- Dantes got angry with Caderousse when he heard news of Mercedes. ☐
- Morrel's business had almost completely run out of money when Dantes returned. ☐

**2 Find words/phrases spoken by characters in Chapter 4 which:**

- show what the captain of the ship thought of Dantes' abilities (page 25) \_\_\_\_\_
- show how Dantes felt when he was invited to join the crew of the ship (page 25) \_\_\_\_\_
- show the captain's reasons for leaving Dantes behind on the island (page 26) \_\_\_\_\_
- show Dantes' reaction to news about his father (page 28) \_\_\_\_\_
- show Caderousse's reaction to the priest's action (page 30) \_\_\_\_\_
- show how de Boville felt about not having his money returned to him. (page 30) \_\_\_\_\_

### Vocabulary

**3 Choose a, b or c to complete the following sentences.**

- They caught the \_\_\_\_\_ when they were loading goods onto their ship.  
a. survivors                      b. smugglers                      c. spices
- The floor was a little wet and I \_\_\_\_\_ and broke my foot.  
a. crashed                      b. deserted                      c. slipped
- It is \_\_\_\_\_ to park here; you will have to move somewhere else.  
a. impossible                      b. illegal                      c. unpolished

4. Helen grabbed a \_\_\_\_\_ of small stones and threw them up at the window.  
a. compartment                      b. dynamite                      c. handful

5. The people \_\_\_\_\_ to let the man into the building because they did not know him.  
a. refused                      b. disguised                      c. arrested

6. The tourists were \_\_\_\_\_ when they saw the enormous waterfall.  
a. sorrowful                      b. speechless                      c. wealthy

**4 Complete the following sentences with the correct form of the words in capitals.**

1. It was quite a sound, hearing the wolves \_\_\_\_\_ at the moon. **HOWL**

2. This war has caused a lot of \_\_\_\_\_ to our people. **SUFFER**  
3. She was shocked to learn how many people died of \_\_\_\_\_ every day. **STARVE**

4. Thankfully the \_\_\_\_\_ situation is slowly improving. **ECONOMY**

5. The judge was not too hard on Sean, because he was very young and the crime he had \_\_\_\_\_ was not very serious. **COMMIT**

### Follow-up activities

**5 Discuss.**

- When Dantes got picked up by the ship he was able to think quickly to save himself. Are you able to think clearly under pressure? Give examples.
- Dantes soon realised that the captain and crew were smugglers. How do you think he felt about this? Why? How would you feel if you were him?
- Dantes disguised himself to find out information. Would you do the same in his position? Why?
- Dantes did not reveal himself to Morrel. Why do you think that is?
- After leaving Marseilles, Dantes put his plan of revenge into action. What do you think he plans to do?

**6 Imagine that you are Dantes. Write a page in your diary describing the day you found the treasure. (120-140 words)**