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The First Popups on the Web

With javascript we can make the link popup the supplementary information.

Javascript was not available until 1995.

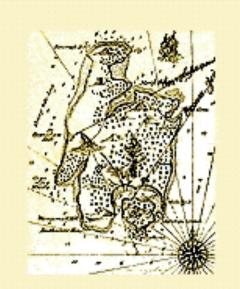This opened up the possibility to use an overlay of information.

Treasure Island

..............with its grey, melancholy woods, and wild stone spires, and the surf that we could both see and hear foaming and thundering on the steep beach--at least, although the sun shone bright and hot, and the shore birds were fishing and crying all around us, and you would have thought anyone would have been glad to get to land after being so long at sea, my heart sank, as the saying is, into my boots; and from the first look onward, I hated the very thought of Treasure Island.

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Explore Islomania ⇕

Robert Louis Stevenson began writing 'Treasure Island' when holidaying in Scotland. With his his twelve-year-old stepson, Lloyd, he drew and annotated a coloured map of an island. The book was published in book form in 1883.

RLS drew the map

Lost map

Stevenson's other islands

Full text of Treasure Island

Some other island narratives

Where is Treasure Island?

Ben Gunn

Some real treasure islands

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