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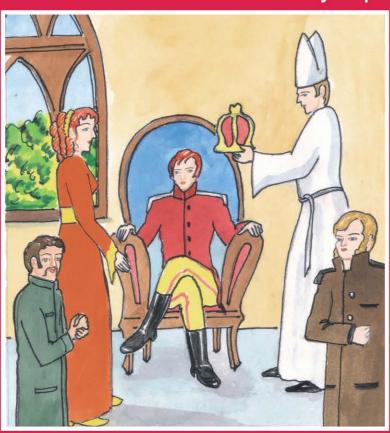
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# The Prisoner of Zenda

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### Rassendyll is Crowned

The city of Strelsau was divided into two parts named Old Town and New Town. In Old Town, all the churches, homes and shops looked very old. The streets were dirty and narrow. Mostly poor people resided there. New Town had broad avenues and well-planned homes which belonged to the rich people. People of New Town wanted Rudolf as King whereas Old Town was looking for the Duke as their King.

When the procession passed through New Town, I saw everybody cheering. Beautiful women were standing in their balconies and throwing flowers. Suddenly, I saw Antoinette de Mauban standing in her balcony and smiling like the others. She had travelled with me on the same train from Paris. I was a little afraid that she might recognize me but she did not say anything. I heaved a sigh of relief. My confidence grew and I felt as I was really the King.

resided lived.
avenue a wide road or path.
recognize to know.

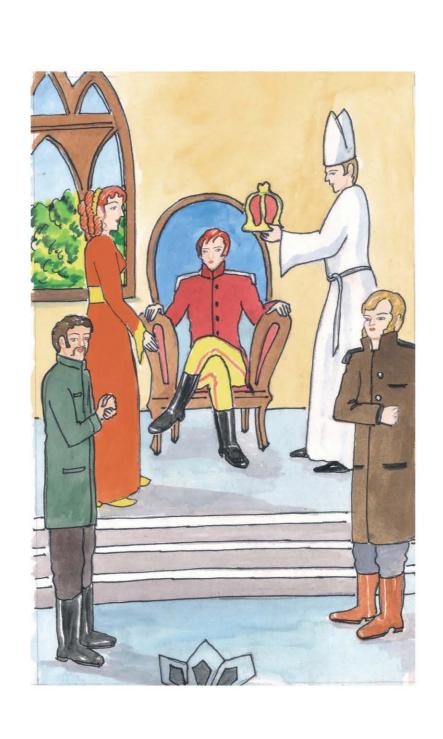
#### RASSENDYLL IS CROWNED

The procession moved on to the Old Town. The Marshal gave orders to the guards to draw near me, as here the people were not in favour of the King and it could be dangerous for me. I, however, decided to go alone among them to show that their King trusted them. I told the Marshal that they all should be fifty yards ahead of me. Then I marched. At first there was no sound of cheering or welcome. I saw the pictures of the Duke were pasted on the walls of the streets and his flag flying over several buildings. I noticed people looking at me with hatred, but I did not care and continued riding on my white horse. After some time, people began applauding and shouting.

The coronation procession reached the Cathedral. There were so many people dressed splendidly but I was anxious and thinking about the real King. I looked at a man with an evil face standing in the hall. He had thick black hair and dark eyes. "He would be Black Michael," I thought. A beautiful lady with a warm smile was also standing with them. She had red hair like

trusted hoped confidently. splendidly very impressively.

applauding cheering. evil wicked.



#### **Questions and Exercises**

#### Chapters 5-6

- 5. Rassendyll is Crowned
- 6. Kidnapping of the real King upsets Rudolf
- I. Answer the following questions:
- Q.1. How were the people of Old Town different from those of New Town?
- Q.2. What difference does Princess Flavia find in Rudolf? Who is she comparing him with?
- Q.3. What do Sapt and Rudolf find in the lodge at Zenda?
- II. Read between the lines.
- 1. Did Rudolf do the right thing in taking the King's place?
- 2. Has Rudolf become the King of Ruritania now?
- III. Grammar

Rewrite the sentences changing the nouns from plural to singular.

- 1. The churches, homes and shops looked very old.
- 2. The streets were dirty and narrow.
- 3. Beautiful women were standing in their balconies and throwing flowers.
- 4. The crowds were still cheering.
- 5. Two horses were arranged for us.

#### QUESTIONS AND EXERCISES

IV.	Vocabulary
	Complete the analogies.
1.	is to banana as red is to tomato.
2.	Horse is to whinny as is to hiss.
3.	Palm is to hand as sole is to
4.	Oak is to tree as is to flower.
5.	Sit is to chair as sleep is to
V.	Choose ten verbs from the chapters and use them in sentences of your own.
VI.	Put an apostrophe in the right places in these sentences.
1.	The boys coats were soaked after the days rain.
2.	The passengers tickets were punched at the entrance of the platform.
3.	Only ticket-holders were admitted to the clubs ground.
4.	The Roberts friends arrived five minutes later.
5.	The cows milk was kept in the farmers churns.
VII.	Complete each sentence with neither nor or either or.
1.	My pet is very ill. It wants food water.
2.	I like cockroaches flies
	because they are pests.
3.	You can go to only one place, the zoo the museum.
4.	You can choose to play with a rabbit a kitten.
5.	the rooster the turkey can fly high because their wings are weak.