BEGINNER LEVEL
The Prisoner of Zenda by Anthony Hope

A Before Reading

1   Look at the picture on the front cover of the book. Look at the back cover. Make some guesses. What kind of story will **The Prisoner of Zenda** be?

humorous story   adventure story   historical story

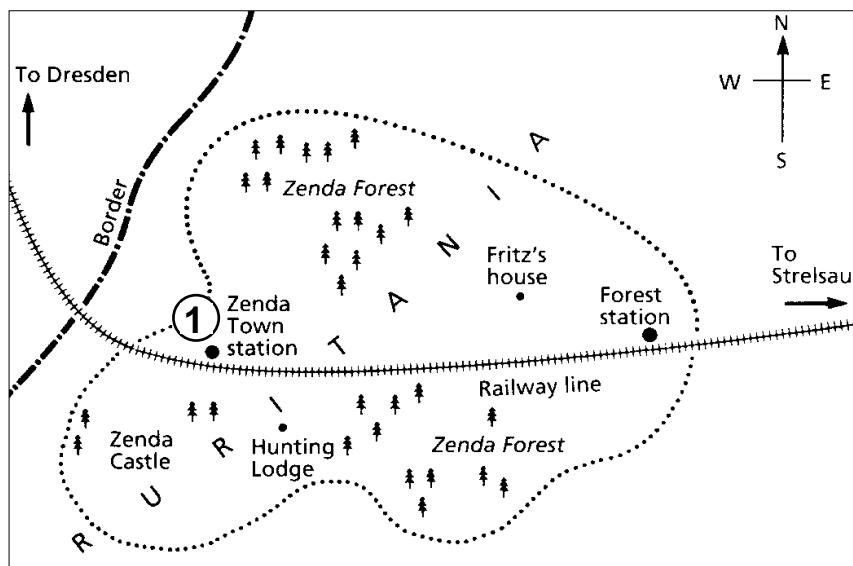horror story   romance   detective story   fantasy

2   Look at *The People in This Story* on page 6. Make some guesses. Who is good and who is bad?

B While Reading

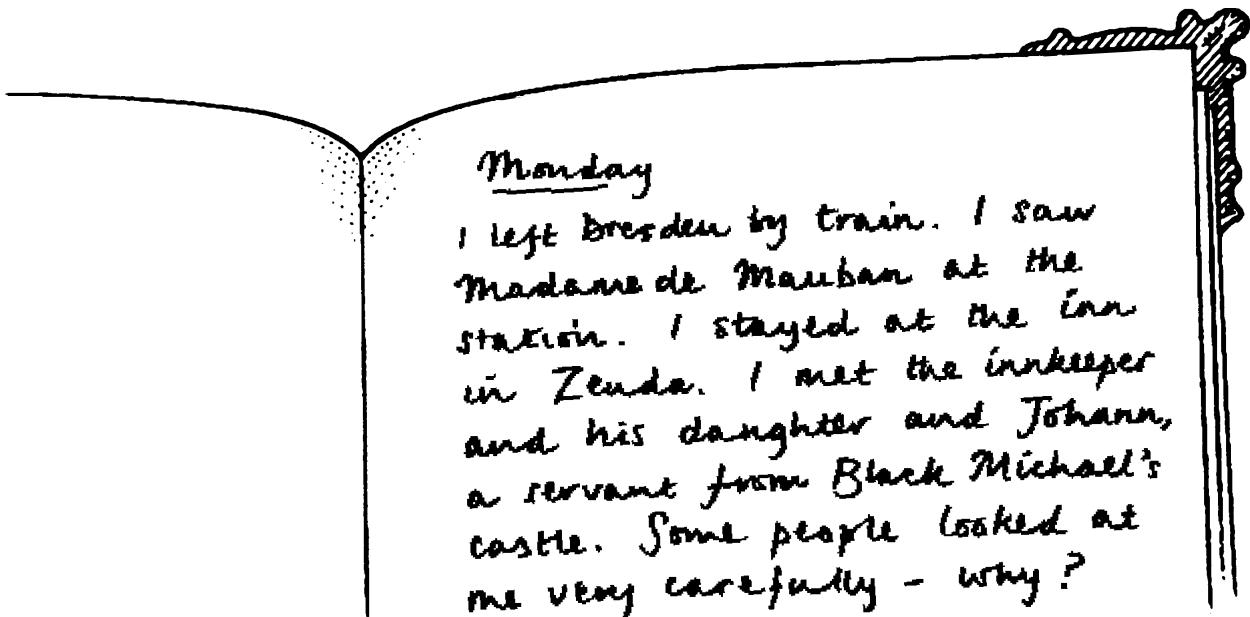3   Read Chapters 1 and 2. Complete these sentences.

(a) Bertram loves ...
(b) Antoinette loves ...
(c) The Duke of Strelsau loves ...
(d) Prince Rudolf of Ruritania is going to marry ...
(e) Prince Rudolf is going to be ...
(f) The Duke of Strelsau wants to be ...

4   Here is the map from the Contents page of this book. Where did Rudolf Rassendyll go in Ruritania? Write numbers next to the places on the map. Now make a list. Put the places in the order of his visits to them.

5 Rudolf Rassendyll had an adventure in Ruritania. Write his diary for seven days. Here is the first page.

> **Monday**
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> I left Dresden by train. I saw Madame de Mauban at the station. I stayed at the inn in Zenda. I met the innkeeper and his daughter and Johann, a servant from Black Michael's castle. Some people looked at me very carefully – why?

6 Look at the pictures on pages 58 to 60. Choose another part of the story. Draw pictures. Show this part of story in your pictures.

7 It is 1898. It is five years after the story happened. Rudolf Rassendyll receives a flower – a white rose – from Princess Flavia. There is a letter with it.
Write the letter from Princess Flavia to Rudolf.