A Before Reading

1 Look at the front cover of the book. Make some guesses. What do the things on the cover tell you about the story?
   a The compass:
   b The scroll:
   c The gun:

2 Read the section of story on the back cover of the book. Make some guesses.
   a What are the papers which the men steal?
   b Why do they steal them?

B While Reading

3 See page 2 of this Worksheet for Question 3.

C After Reading

4 Look at The People in This Story on page 5.
   a Who is alive and who is dead at the end of the story?
   b Put the people into their order of importance in the story. Number them from 1 to 12.

   Duraid Al Simma
   Royan Al Simma
   Nicholas Quenton-Harper
   Nahoot Gudabbi
   Geoffrey Tenant
   Gotthold von Schiller
   Boris Brusilov
   Woizero Tessay
   Mek Nimmur
   Colonel Nogo
   Sapper Webb
   Jannie

5 Imagine that Taitia the Slave left a hidden document, which Egyptologists called the Missing Scroll. This document gives detailed instructions about how to find the tomb of the Pharaoh Mamose.

   Either a You are an Egyptologist. Write your translation of Taita’s instructions in the Missing Scroll. Also include instructions about the wrong turnings you might take.
   Or b You are Taita. Create the Missing Scroll using hieroglyphics to give the instructions. Also include instructions about the wrong turnings you might take.
3 Here are the People in This Story. As you read, join the information to the correct person. The same information can join more than one person.

- an Ethiopian army officer
- works for Africair Cargo Services
- works with Gotthold von Schiller and Nahoot Gudabbi to help steal antiquities
- works at the Department of Antiquities, University of Cairo
- a very rich man
- has a museum of Egyptian antiquities
- discovers how to find the tomb of Pharaoh Mamose
- works at the British Embassy in Cairo
- a friend of Nicholas Quenton-Harper
- an Egyptologist
- Austrian
- has a very good collection of Egyptian antiquities
- organises the theft of the coffin from the Monastery of St Frumentius
- Russian
- a Dutch pilot
- a guide
- works for Gotthold von Schiller
- African
- married to Boris Brusilov
- discovers where the tomb of Pharaoh Mamose is
- had an Egyptian father and an English mother
- goes to live with Mek Nimmur
- a leader of the rebel soldiers
- kills Boris Brusilov
- bans Royan and Nicholas from Ethiopia
- an engineer
- builds a dam for Royan and Nicholas
- transports Royan and Nicholas to and from Ethiopia

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