1a **Do the quiz about the Mafia.**

1 Where was it started?
a in Athens   **b** in New York
c in Sicily

2 Where does it work?
a across Greece and Italy   **b** across Italy and the USA
c across the USA and Canada

3 What kind of organization is it?
a a charity   **b** a public organization
c a secret organization

4 How does it make most of its money?
a through business   **b** through crime
c through government

5 How is the Mafia organized?
a in different Companies   **b** in different Families
c in different Teams

6 Which of these positions is at the top of the Mafia?
a Godfather   **b** *consigliori*
c *caporegime*

1b **Tick all the areas in which you think the Mafia might make money in the story.**

art	☐	drugs	☐	fashion	☐
gambling	☐	horse racing	☐	hotels	☐
kidnapping	☐	local businesses	☐	olive oil	☐
pizza parlors	☐	prostitution	☐	sex-trafficking	☐
shipping	☐	the army	☐	the church	☐
the movies	☐	the newspapers	☐	the police	☐

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1c Do you think that today's Mafia is involved in different areas. If so, which ones?

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2a Complete the family tree with the names in the box.

Sonny	Carmela	Lucy Mancini	Carlo Rizzi
Johnny Fontane	Kay Adams	Freddie	Tom Hagen

Don Vito = ¹ .... (Mama Corleone)

Frederico
(³ ....)

Connie
=
⁵ ....

adopted

Santino

Michael
=
⁴ ....

⁷ ....
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Theresa

(² ....)
=
Sandra

girlfriend

godson

⁶ ....

⁸ .... ≠ Ginny
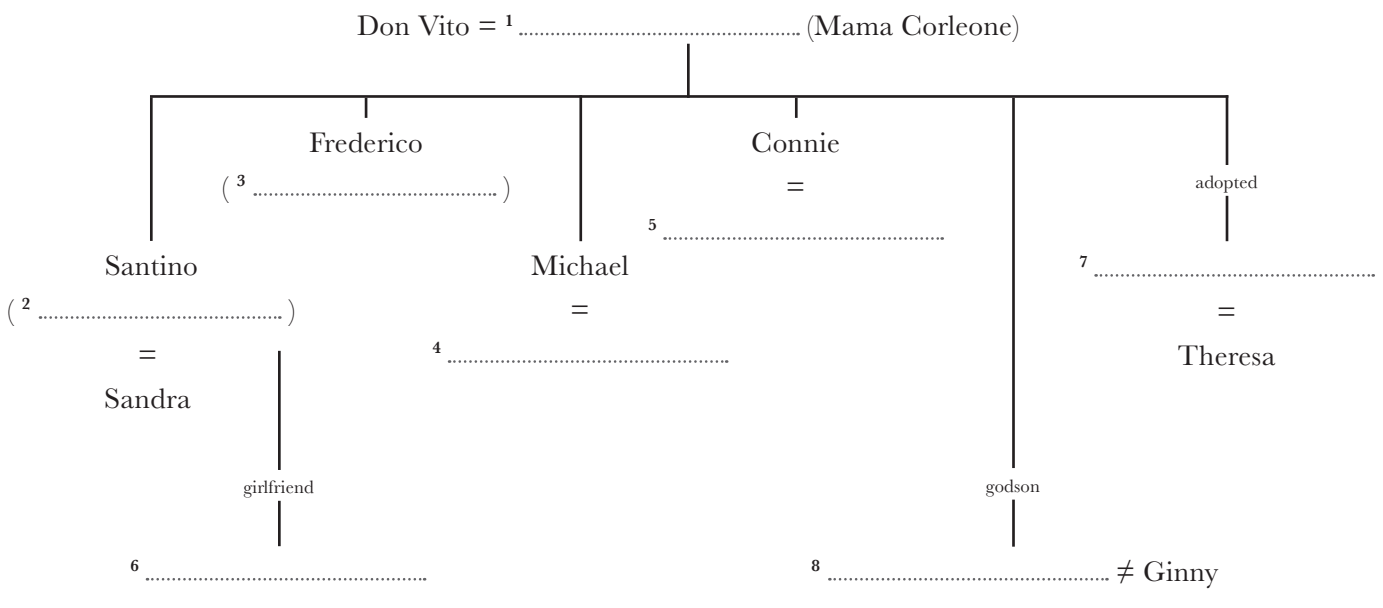
2b Answer the questions about the Corleone family.

1 What is Tom's relationship with Don Vito? ....

2 What is Lucy's relationship with Sonny? ....

3 What is Johnny's relationship with Don Vito? ....

4 Who is divorced? ....

5 Who is the only non-Sicilian wife in the Corleone family? ....

6 Who is the only unmarried member of the family? ....

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2c Which members of the Corleone family die in the book? How do they die and why?

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3a Complete this mind map with the words in the box. Some words can go in more than one category.

betray	Protestant	soul	bribe	responsible	Democratic Party	raid
drug	forgive	negotiate	gangster	informer	power	import
Mafia	godfather	risk	meeting	hostage	politician	empire	kidnap
pray	confess	prostitution	funeral	punish	gamble	reputation
extort	respect	Catholic	favor	revenge	vice	government

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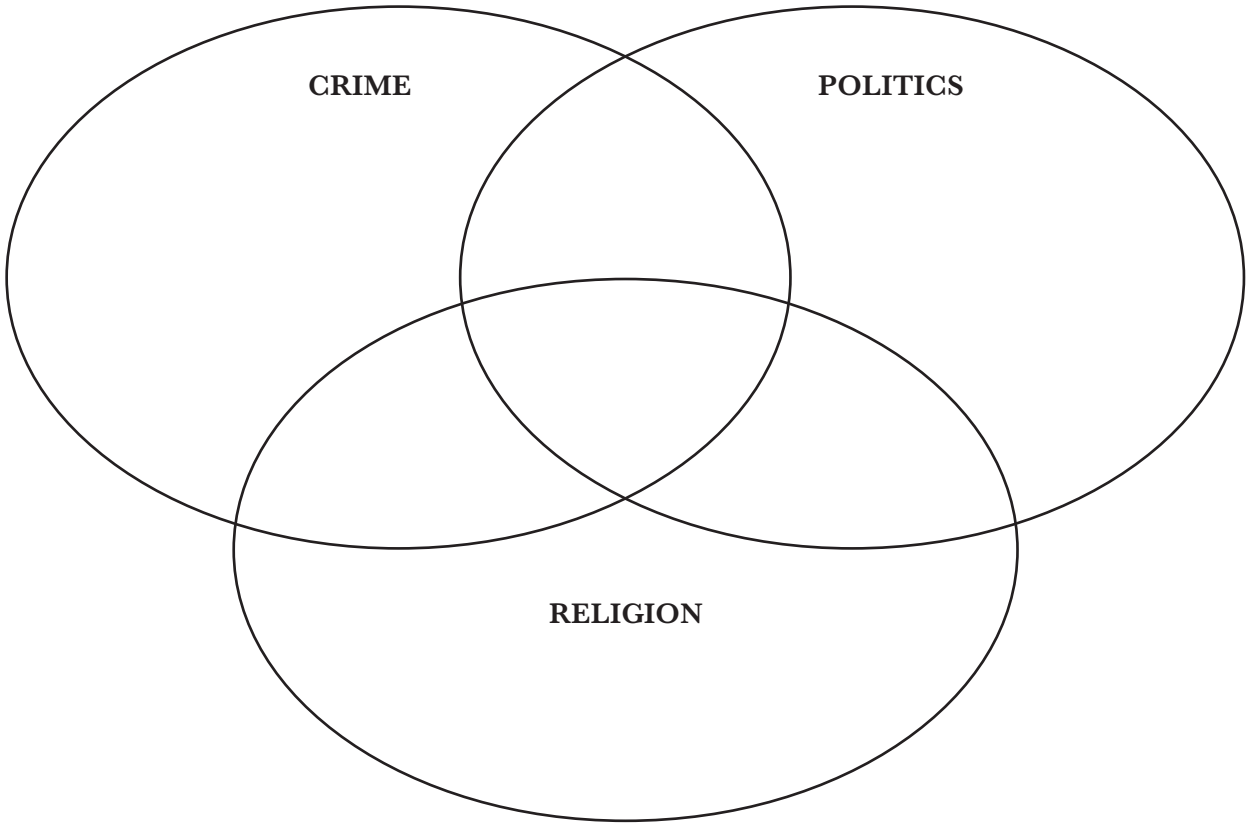
3b Look at the list of jobs that people have in this book. Work in small groups. You have one minute to describe as many of these jobs as possible for your teammates to guess. You mustn't say the words or act them out in any way. The team with the most correct guesses wins.

photographer	baker	store owner	teacher	*caporegime*	doctor
driver	drug dealer	bodyguard	gambler	*consigliori*	gangster
soldier	lawyer	policeman	bookmaker	movie star	Godfather
newspaperman	politician	singer	café owner	undertaker	gunman

This person arrests criminals.

A policeman?

Yes! This person . . .

4 How would the story be different in the following situations? Complete the chains using the third conditional.

1

Jack Woltz allowed Johnny Fontane to play the main character in the studio's new movie. → his horse Khartoum not killed

If Jack Woltz had allowed Johnny Fontane to play the main character in the studio's new movie, his horse Khartoum would not have been killed.

2

Don Vito willing to deal in drugs → not be wounded by Sollozzo's men

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Michael not shoot Sollozzo and McCluskey → not have to escape to Sicily

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4 Sonny not try to kill Carlo → not be betrayed and killed himself

5 The undertaker, Amerigo Bonasera, not owe the Godfather a favor → not have to deal with Sonny Corleone's broken body

6 Michael not sent to Sicily → not meet and marry Apollonia

7 Lucy not take a hundred sleeping pills → not given a job in Corleone Family hotel

8 Johnny not have wart removed from his throat → not been able to sing

9 The Don not die suddenly → Michael have more time to plan his revenge

10 Kay not realized the truth about Michael → not become a Catholic

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5a Imagine you are Don Vito Corleone trying to decide which of your sons should take over as Godfather after you. Write a list of the good and bad points of each son.

Sonny	Freddie	Michael
+	+	+
-	-	-

5b Compare your answers in pairs or small groups and give your reasons.

6a You are a reporter working on a story about the secret world of the Mafia. Work in pairs. Interview one of the main characters in the story.

What is your name?
When did you decide to . . . ?
What made you . . . ?
If you could go back in time, would you do anything different?
Why/why not?
How has your life changed?
How do you feel every day?

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What are your plans for the future?

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What is the future of the Mafia?

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Is there anything you regret doing or not doing?

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6b **Now write a newspaper report from the answers you got in 6a.**

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7a Write a script for one of the scenes from one of the chapters in the book.

Chapter .... : ....

STAGE DIRECTIONS: ....

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CHARACTERS: ....

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SCRIPT: ....

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7b Act out your script in small groups.

7c As you watch another group acting out a scene, think of ways in which the characters in the scene could have behaved differently or better. How would you have acted in their position?

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7d Discuss your ideas in class.

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