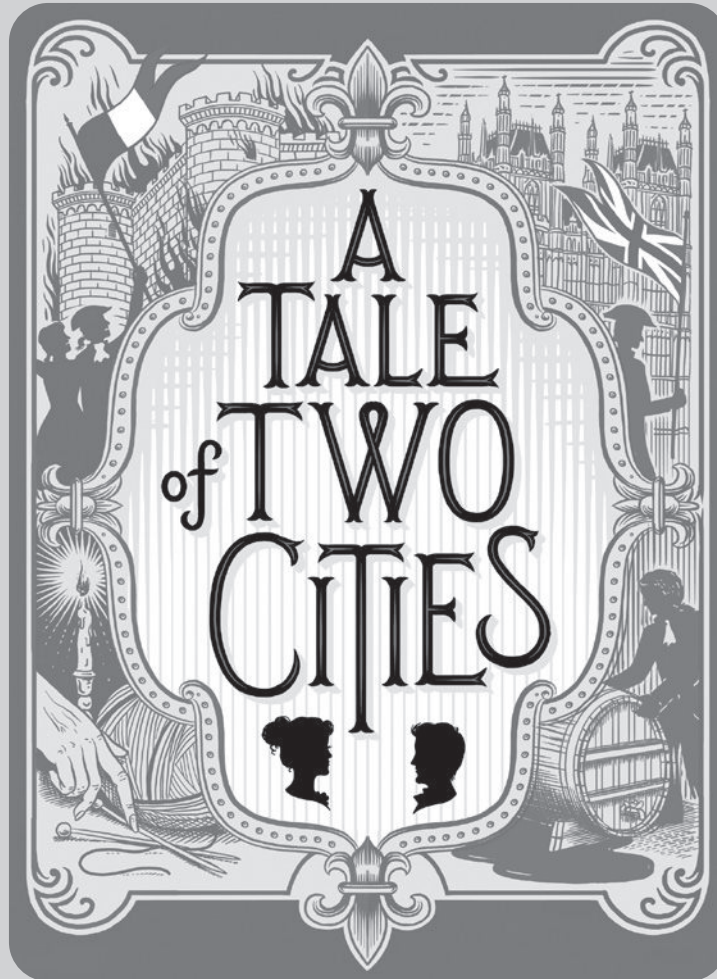


1a Complete the information about the book.



By

It is about

The story happens in

The people in the story are

It is a story.

1b Put this information in the correct columns.

aristocrats	Bastille	Calais	Cambridge	château	Guillotine
king	London	Madame	Monsieur	Mr	Mrs
Old Bailey	Paris	republic	queen	revolution	Soho Square

France		England	

2a Match the opposites. Draw lines between them.

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|--------------|---------------|
| 1 best | a ugly |
| 2 wisdom | b darkness |
| 3 light | c despair |
| 4 hope | d nothing |
| 5 everything | e foolishness |
| 6 beautiful | f worst |

2b Now complete the opening of the book with words from 2a.

It was the ¹ of times, it was the ² of times. It was the age of ³, it was the age of ⁴ It was the season of ⁵, it was the season of ⁶ It was the spring of ⁷, it was the winter of ⁸ We had ⁹ before us, we had ¹⁰ before us.

A king and an ¹¹ queen ruled England; a king and a ¹² queen ruled France. In both countries, it was clear to those who ruled thought that nothing could ever change.

3 Complete the newspaper report with the missing words.

patriot fired Paris prison rang governor July prisoners

Attack on the Bastille



On the 14th of ¹.....
 1789, with a noise like thunder, a sea
 of people poured through the city of
²..... to the great stone walls
 and eight towers of the ³.....
 Drums were beaten and alarm bells
⁴..... . The attack had begun.

For four wild hours, guns
⁵..... , axes struck, fires
 burned. Everywhere was noise. At last, the
 patriots were inside the Bastille's walls and a
 cry went up. "The ⁶..... !"

The boiling sea of patriots moved forward
 to unlock the cells and free the prisoners.

Down in the courtyard, the sea of patriots
 stood round the prison's trembling
⁷..... and marched him to the
 town hall. There, they attacked him, striking
 him with their bars until he fell down dead.

On that day in July 1789, this head, together
 with six more, was raised above the sea of
⁸..... faces, to show what man
 could be and do.

4 Look at the pictures from the story. Complete the table

	Who is in the picture?	Where are they and what are they doing?	Why is this scene important?
			
			
			
			
			
			

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

Dr Manette not be in prison → Lucie not grow up without him → If Dr Manette had not been in prison, Lucie would not have grown up without him.

French aristocrats not treat poor people so badly → citizens not attack the Bastille →

Charles Darnay not return to France → not put on trial as an emigrant →

Marquis Evrémonte not kill a child → not be murdered →

Madame Defarge not knit secret messages → people not arrested and killed →

Carton not been so brave → Charles, Lucie and Dr Manette could not escape →

6a Imagine you are Charles Darnay and you are going to return to France after a long period in England. You know it will be dangerous. Make a list of the things you will take with you.

Things to take to France

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5
- 6

6b Read the advert for the job of spy during the French Revolution.

Citizen spies wanted for the French Republic

Do you have what it takes to become a spy?

Are you clever, brave and strong?

Can you speak perfect French and English?

Can you knit secret messages correctly?

Would you be able to live away from your friends and family
for a long time without contacting them?

Can you make people trust you and tell you things about themselves?

Sleeping, eating and travelling can be difficult and dangerous during a revolution.

You have to be able to make decisions and change your plans quickly,
without asking anybody's advice. Could you live like that?

If the answer is yes, send a letter to the French Republic Secret Service

6c Now write a letter applying for the position in 6b.

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7a Have a class debate about the following subject.

Is it ever right to use physical violence to fight for what you believe in?

7b At the end of the debate, take a class vote.