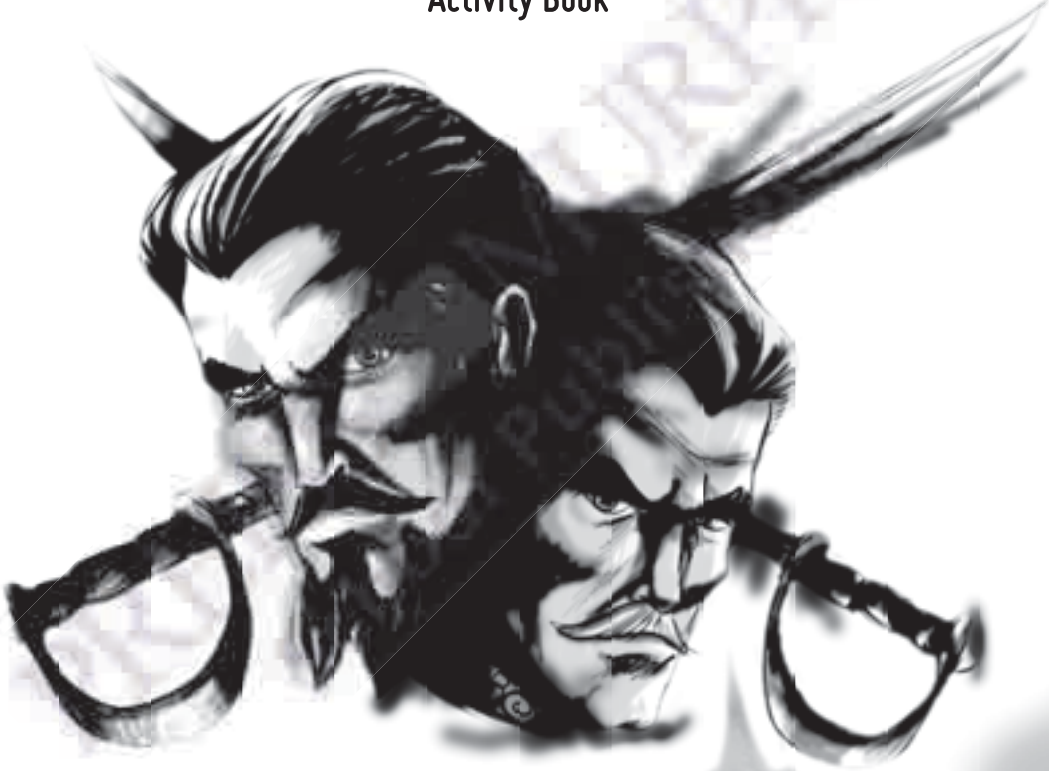


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# Chapter 1

## The Rassendylls

### 1- Pre-reading:

- a- What did Anthony Hope do before he was an author?
- b- What was Hope's first book?
- c- Name some of Hope's plays and popular stories.

### 2- During reading:

#### - As you read find who the following characters are:

- a- Rose.
- b- Rudolf Rassendyll.
- c- Sir Jacob Borrodaile.
- d- Antoinette de Mauban.
- e- Duke Michael.

### 3- After reading:

#### A- Choose the right answer from a, b, or c:

- 1- Lord Burlesdon was Rudolf's .....
  - a) son
  - b) brother
  - c) cousin
- 2- Rudolf promised to do something about his life in .....  
time.
  - a) in six months'
  - b) in two months'
  - c) in three months'

- 3- Rudolf told Rose that he was going to the .....  
a) Alps                      b) Zenda                      c) Ruritania
- 4- The coronation date was .....  
a) postponed              b) cancelled                      c) brought forward
- 5- ..... was surprised to see Rudolf.  
a) Robert                      b) Johann                      c) Madame de Mauban

**B- Read the sentences and correct the mistakes:**

- a- Rose was Rudolf's sister.  
b- Rudolf was travelling on business.  
c- Antoinette de Mauban was the King's wife.  
d- Rudolf stopped at Strelsau.  
e- The old woman at the hotel hated Black Michael.

**C- Answer the following questions:**

- 1- Who was to be made an ambassador?  
2- What would happen in Ruritania?  
3- Who was travelling on the same train?  
4- How many languages did Rassendyll speak?  
5- Why did Rassendyll decide to stop at Zenda?

**D- Write ( T ) for True and ( F ) for False:**

- 1- Rudolf had done nothing in his life except travelling. (     )
- 2- Rose was the same rank as her husband. (     )
- 3- Rudolf the Fifth was to be crowned at Strelsau. (     )
- 4- The King was the master of the Zenda lands and of the castle. (     )
- 5- Rudolf first saw Antoinette de Mauban at the railway station in Paris. (     )

**F- Fill in the gaps using the following words:**

promised - favour -unhappy - station -coronation – raised -visit

Rose felt ..... about Rudolf's life. Rudolf ..... her to change and decided to ..... Ruritania to watch the ..... of King Rudolf the Fifth in the capital city, Strelsau. On his way through Paris a friend came to see him at the..... He ..... his hat to a graceful and fashionably dressed woman. Rassendyll made his way to Zenda, a small town in ..... of Duke Michael, the King's brother.

**An interactive literature class**

- 1- What do you think of Rudolf Rassendyll? Do you think he will really change?
- 2- Do you consider Rose a good friend? Why?