Author's Purpose

This activity accompanies chapter 49 from *The Count of Monte Cristo* by Alexandre Dumas, record number 5550.

Activity Title: Author's Purpose

Description: The students will work with a partner to explain the author's purpose for including this chapter in the book.

Subject: Reading and Language Arts

Skill: Literary Analysis

Behavioral Objective:

• The student will explain the author's purpose for including this chapter in the book.

Materials:

- *The Count of Monte Cristo*, chapter 49 available in audio and print form at http://etc.usf.edu/lit2go/
- Paper and pencils

Procedures:

Read the chapter with the students, or have them read it on their own. Discuss with the students the main idea of the chapter. Next, have the students work with a partner to write an explanation for why the author included this chapter in the book. When the students have finished working, have a whole class discussion reviewing their answers.



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