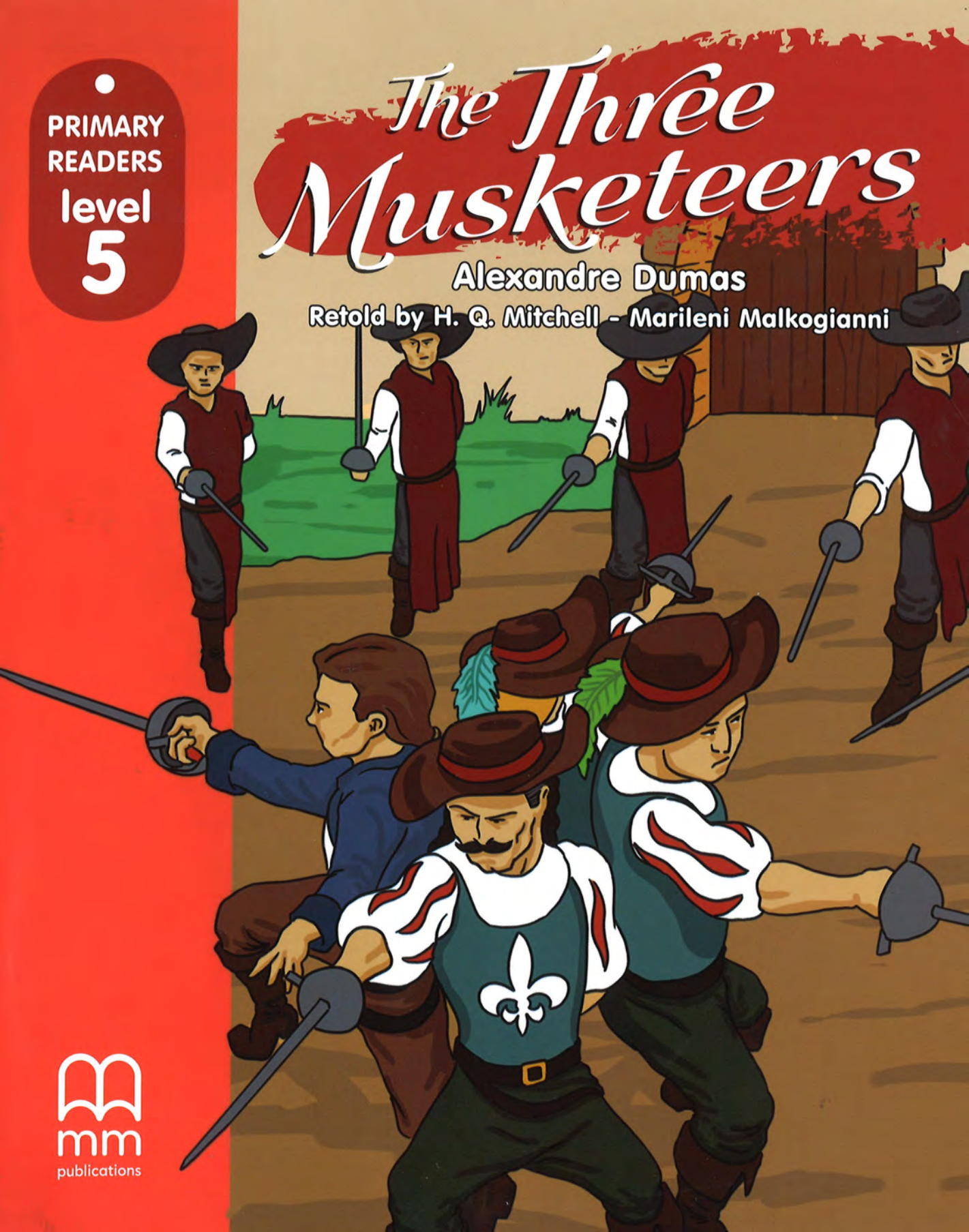
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The Three Musketeers

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Many, many years ago in Paris, young Louis XIII became the King of France when his father died. Louis married Anne of Austria, and tried to be a good leader. But Cardinal Richelieu, his advisor, disliked the queen and was also jealous of the king.

Cardinal: I am older and smarter than King Louis. I should be the king!

Very often, the king's musketeers fought with the cardinal's guards. And all that, while France had a serious enemy to fight: the English!



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Meanwhile, d'Artagnan, a brave, young man, left his town in Gascony to follow his dream – to become a musketeer!

Father: Son, here's a horse, a sword and some money... and a letter for the Captain of the Musketeers.... And take my advice.... Do not be afraid to fight; always be brave, and listen to the king!

Mother: Here.... Take this recipe. It is for a medicine; it will cure any wound.



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It was a long journey, and d'Artagnan stopped at an inn. A man with a scar laughed at him.

Rochefort: Ha ha! What a funny yellow horse! Did it run away from the circus?

D'Artagnan: Say sorry to my horse, sir, or come and fight…

D'Artagnan pulled out his sword; but a friend of the man with the scar was behind him and hit him on the head. Everything went black…



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While d'Artagnan was on the ground, the man with the scar talked to a beautiful woman in a carriage.

Rochefort: Milady de Winter, you must go to England to spy on the Duke of Buckingham. The Cardinal wants to know his secrets.

Milady: Don't worry, Rochefort! I'm good at spying.

Activity Page

1 Label the pictures.



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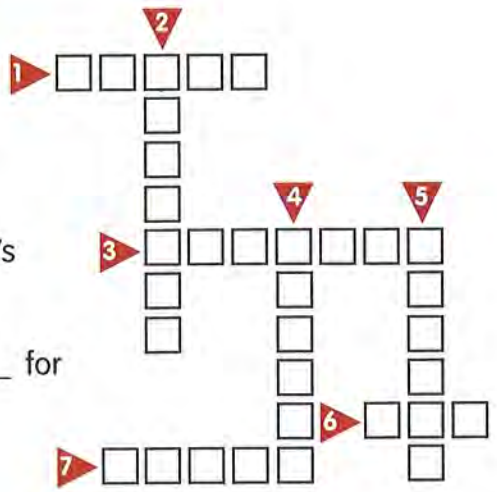
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2 Complete the sentences and do the crossword.

1. Everything went _ _ _ _ _ _ when somebody hit d'Artagnan on the head.
2. Richelieu was the king's _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ .
3. The cardinal wanted to know the Duke of Buckingham's _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ .
4. D'Artagnan's mother gave him a(n) _ _ _ _ _ _ for a medicine.
5. Milady was good at _ _ _ _ _ _ .
6. D'Artagnan stopped at a(n) _ _ _ because he was tired.
7. Rochefort laughed at d'Artagnan for his _ _ _ _ _ .



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Activity Page

3 Put the pictures in order. Write 1-4.






4 Look at activity 3 and write a sentence for each picture. Use the prompts below.

left	laughed	hit	talked

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

5 What will happen next? Answer this question and discuss.

1. Will Milady find out Buckingham's secrets?
2. What will d'Artagnan do? Will he manage to become a musketeer?

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