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Alexandre Dumas



Alexandre Dumas was born on July 24, 1802 in Aisne, France. He was of mixed race. His grandfather was French and his grandmother was an enslaved woman of Afro-Caribbean ancestry. His father was a general in Napoleon's army. His father died in 1806. His mother worked to provide an education for him but he dropped out of school.

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Dumas next decided to write historical novels. His first novel was "The Countess of Salisbury." His most famous novels are "The Three Musketeers," "The Count of Monte Cristo" and "The Man in the Iron Mask."

Although his writing had earned him a great deal of money he spent it lavishly and fell into financial difficulties. King Louis-Philippe was ousted in a revolt and Dumas fled from the newly elected president and his creditors. He moved to Brussels and then lived in Russia.

Dumas died at the age of 68 possibly of a heart attack on 5 December 1870. His country house in France which he had to sell is now a museum.





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Alexandre Dumas

1. He was born on _____
in _____.

2. Name what he is famous for



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3. He wrote the books _____

4. He died on _____.

