

Novel Connection

King Louis is mentioned in the graphic novel's prologue. Although not one of the novel's main characters, it is important to emphasize that King Louis was the reigning monarch and in this capacity made all of the final decisions regarding the colony. Prior to analyzing the painting, have students read the prologue (pages 1-4) of *Jean-Paul's Daring Adventure*.

Prior Knowledge

Students need to have a basic understanding of a monarchy, a form of government where one person reigns, a king or queen, a position that is generally inherited.

Possible questions to assess prior knowledge or to facilitate a discussion:

- ¥ What is a monarchy?
- ¥ Do monarchies still exist today? Where?
- ¥ Can you think of any famous kings and queens, either living or dead?

Activities

Vocabulary

Start by asking students to look up the word 'colony' in the glossary at the back of the book. With a partner, ask students to discuss what they think a colony is and expand on the definition. As a class, ask students to convey what they discussed

Materials

- ¥ Worksheet Interpreting a Painting
- ¥ Image of King Louis XIV (photocopy on worksheet or to be projected onto a screen)
