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**HELLO! I AM ALI WALLACE,
A 15-YEAR-OLD BOY FROM SARAWAK, BORNEO.
I WAS HIRED BY ALFRED WALLACE, WHO IS
AN EXPLORER AND SCIENTIST FROM BRITAIN TO
HELP HIM IN HIS EXPEDITIONS ACROSS THE
MALAY ARCHIPELAGO.**

COME ALONG TO FIND OUT WHAT I WILL BE UP TO!

STORIES OF SINGAPORE THROUGH YOUNG HEROES OF THEIR TIMES



Alfred has been studying the natural world in the Malay Archipelago. He plans to further his research around the region, which means that I will be exploring the forest, mountains and rivers with him to find and collect unique flora and fauna specimens!

Can you help us look for 3 exotic birds in this forest?



Thank you for helping me and Alfred find these birds! I now have to catch one of these birds for Alfred to study more about them.

5 Ternate, Indonesia

I caught a unique Bird of P a r _ d i _ e, the Wallace's StandardWing.



4 Halmahera, Indonesia

Alfred thinks I collected one of the most beautiful birds of the East. The Ivory-breasted Pitta has bright blue shoulders and a vivid crimson belly!



3 Aru Islands, I _ d o n _ s i _

I caught the Great Bird of Paradise and the King Bird of Paradise on this island! I was struck with a high fever days after and we had to leave the island eventually.



Thank you for going on an adventure with me!
I hope you have enjoyed yourself as much as I did.

After traveling and exploring Southeast Asia for 6 years, it is time for us to go home.

I kept a record of the places that I have been to and the things that I have done. But some of the information have faded. Can you fill in the missing letter?

Hint: Find helping words in this book!

① Sarawak, Borneo

This was where I began my expedition!

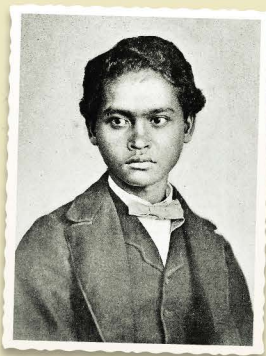
② Singapore

I saw a live tiger here in Singapore. I think these tigers were men who had been great magicians! I was wonderstruck by the sight of this tiger!



③ Sin_ap_r_

This is also where I parted with Alfred.



Alfred's friend took a photo of me before we parted

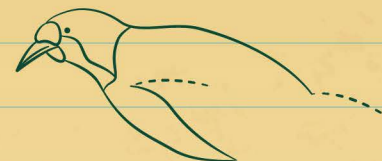
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Alfred documents his discoveries and observations in his notebook. He records as many details as he can by drawing these flora and fauna. They were also collected as specimens to bring back home.

I braved a few nights in the forests of Aru Islands, before I successfully caught a specimen of a Bird of Paradise! It was one of my favourite adventure!

Now, let's document this new great discovery!

Look at the image of the bird of paradise and complete the drawing.



Complete this label below for the specimen:

Collected by A. R Wallace. 1857

Common Name:

Scientific Name:

Type of Specimen: Bird

Why do you think there are 2 different names for these specimens?

Sometimes, I will go on an exploration on my own and marvel over the trees in the forest. They remind me of decorative wood carvings from the region.

Help me find the way out of the forest in the maze on the right!



One of the reasons Alfred hired me was to teach him the Malay language. However, the Malay language was not always in Romanised alphabets (characters that are used in English writing).

Did you know that Malay was written using a script called *Jawi* that consisted of the Arabic alphabet? It was used up till the 1900s in Singapore. Learn how to write the names of these animals in *Jawi* by tracing the lines from right to left.

English

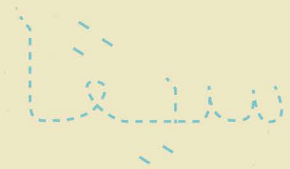
Malay

Jawi



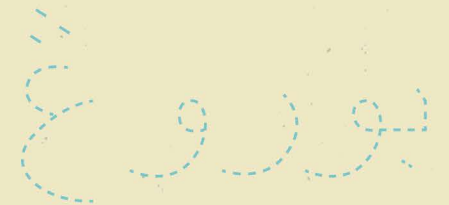
lion

singa



bird

burung



tiger

harimau

