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The man on the Island

-Robert Louis Stevenson

Squire Trelawney is a nobleman in the village. When Jim Hawkins discovers a treasure map which belonged to a pirate, Trelawney had the means to hire a ship and take Jim and Dr Livesey, the local doctor, on a real-life treasure hunt. Read on to find out what happens when Jim reaches the island and realises that someone is following him.

Now Read the story

Some stones came rolling down the side of the hill. Somebody was up there, among the trees! I saw a figure run from one tree to the next. It was a strange figure. Dark and hairy it was. Was it a man or a monkey? Was it a wild man? I fled. The creature followed me. On and on I ran. The creature was never far away. As fast as a hare it ran,

its body bent almost double. But it moved, like a man, on two legs. If it is a man, why am I afraid?

I asked myself. I have my pistol.

I stopped running. I took my pistol from my belt and walked towards the creature.

It came out from behind a tree trunk, moved two or three steps towards me, and then stopped. It was a man!