



# Treasures of the Mountains

## Spanish Treasure (3)



### Third Catalan Treasure: War and Exile.

\*Clue 1. Below is a photograph of Pablo Picasso's painting called, *Guernica*. It is one of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century's most important **masterpieces**.

Write some **keywords** about the painting.

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Describe the painting in one or two sentences using some of your keywords.

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Look for some information about the painting and its **relationship** to one of the saddest **episodes** in Spanish history.

Go to: <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Guernica> and follow some of the links.

Answer the following questions from your **research**:

When did Picasso paint *Guernica*?

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Where is *Guernica*?



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What happened in the town of Guernica?

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Why did Picasso paint it?

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This treasure is related to the S\_\_\_\_\_ C\_\_\_\_\_ W\_\_\_\_\_.

\*Clue 2. As you probably know after working on clue #1, in the Spanish Civil War there were two **armies**. On one hand, there was General Francisco Franco's army of **Fascists** called the Nationalist Army. On the other hand, there was the Republican Army, **loyal** to the democratic government of the Second Spanish Republic which was **ruled** by **left-wing parties**.



Left: Let's Squash Fascism (Republican). Right: Spain Has Arrived (Fascist)

The civil war lasted three years, from 1936 to 1939. From the beginning, Catalonia was loyal to the Republican side. However, step-by-step, Franco's army **cornered** the Republican Army against the Pyrenees in Catalonia. Republican Army **soldiers** escaped over the mountains. By the end of the war (winter of 1939), approximately **440,000** people, loyal to the Republican government had left Spain by crossing the Pyrenees Mountains. Most of them reached France through the Col de l'Illa and El Pertús where they went into **exile**.



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Left: Exiles crossing the Pyrenees at l'Illa col. Right: Monument to the exiles at La Vajol.

This treasure is located in the P \_\_\_\_\_.

\*Clue 3. In the town of La Vajol, there is a **bronze sculpture** which **pays homage** to the people who **fled** Spain to go into exile in France. The sculpture represents a man and his six year-old daughter. She lost her leg in a **bombing** by Franco's army. Their **painful** journey to Prats de Molló (France) was photographed by a **journalist**. This photo served as the **model** for the sculpture and is considered to be an important symbol of the **suffering** of the Spanish people who were **forced** to go into exile.

On the map below, locate and circle the town of La Vajol.



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This treasure is related to the Republican loyalists who crossed the Pyrenees on foot to go into e\_ \_ \_ \_ during the hard winter of 1939.

\*Clue 4. In April 2008, the Third Treasure was **inaugurated** in La Jonquera, a small town located near the French border.

On the map above, locate and circle the town of La Jonquera.

Go to: <http://www.museuexili.cat/> to read about the treasure.



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The name of this museum (the treasure you are looking for) is:

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Watch and listen to the *Corrandes d'exili*.

Go to: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zV-ttWXeccs>. The lyrics of this song were written by Joan Oliver, a Catalan poet who went into exile in France along with many others.

If you want to know more about the **routes** that the exiles followed during their escape to France, you can read the pdf document *Pathways to Freedom* on the Moodle platform.