

Chapter One

1. Vocabulary: Words with Purpose

Sort the words into nouns and adjectives. Use one of each in a sentence to show its meaning:

schemer	cardmoney	exquisite	mutilations
pitiful	burnished	branding iron	insatiable.

2. Characters:

The author has helped you get to know the main character Cécile by telling you many facts about her. Guess how many:

- a. more than 25?
- b. more than 35?
- c. more than 45?

Count and find out.

Find and record sentences that show she is:

determined,
sad,
loyal,
talented.

3. Clothesline:

Choose six items of clothing. Draw each item, cut it out, label it with the owner's name; hang on the classroom clothesline:

wool stockings	mitasses	breechcloth
unboned corset	leggings	chemise
linen shirt	mittens	boites sauvages

4. Ending:

To encourage readers to read on, authors often leave unanswered questions at the end of a chapter. Record three of Maxine Trottier's. What do you want to find out?