



Hawk-eye, the Pathfinder

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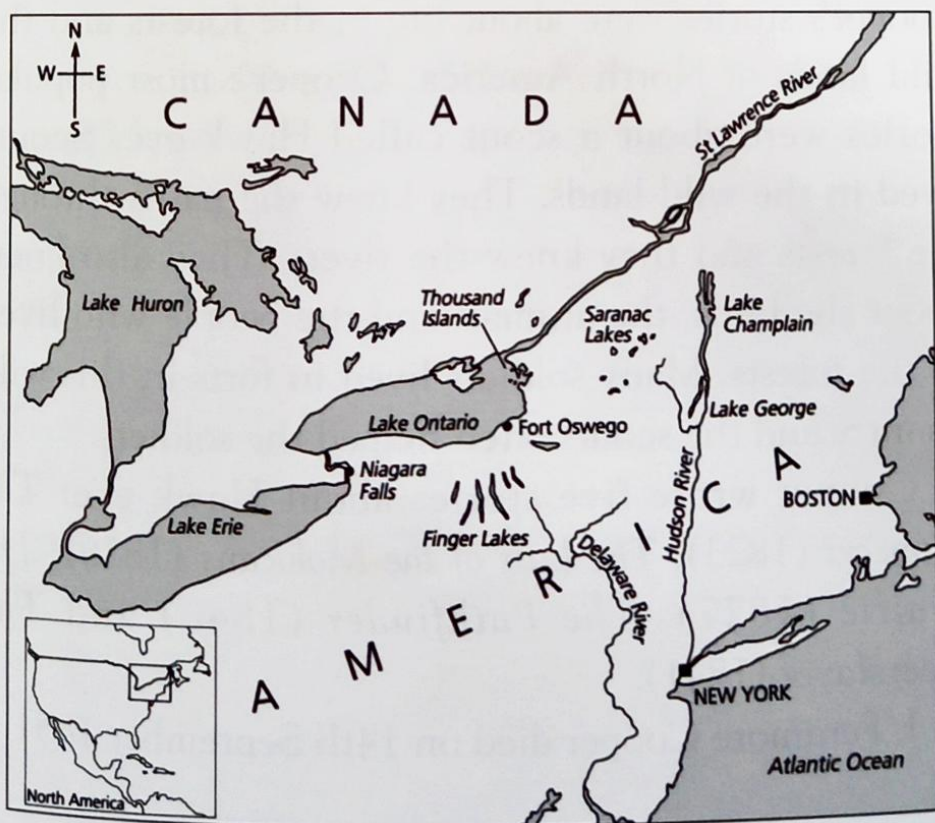
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Vocabulary

Some difficult words and phrases in this book are important for understanding the story. Some of these words are explained in the story and some are shown in the pictures. From Pre-intermediate level upwards, words are marked with a number like this: ...³. These words are explained in the Glossary at the end of the book.

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A Note About the Author



James Fenimore Cooper was born in New Jersey, North America, on 15th September 1789. His family lived on a farm in Cooperstown, in New York State. Cooper had five brothers and seven sisters. He was a student at Yale. But he did not behave well and he had to leave the school. In 1805, Cooper became a sailor, and he was in the US Navy until 1810.

In 1811, Cooper's father died and Cooper married Susan De Lancey. They lived on the family's farm. In 1820, Cooper started to write adventure stories. Cooper's stories were about life in the forests and the wild lands of North America. Cooper's most popular stories were about a scout called Hawk-eye. Scouts lived in the wild lands. They knew the paths through the forests and they knew the rivers. They also knew about the birds, the animals and the people who lived in the forests. Many soldiers lived in forts in this wild country and the scouts often helped the soldiers.

Cooper wrote five stories about Hawk-eye: *The Pioneers* (1823), *The Last of the Mohicans* (1826), *The Prairie* (1827), *The Pathfinder* (1840) and *The Deerslayer* (1841).

J. Fenimore Cooper died on 14th September 1851.

he spoke quickly.

'Mabel, you must be happy!' he said. 'Forget about your promise to your father. He is dead. You do not love me. You must not marry me! Go back to Fort Oswego with Jasper. Marry him. I will stay here. I will take care of Morning Dew. I will take her back to her people. Then Chingachgook and I will travel to the Hudson River. You will not meet me again.'

'You are a good man, Pathfinder,' said Jasper.

'Yes, you are a good man, Pathfinder,' said Mabel. She kissed him quickly. Then she held Jasper's hand and the two young people walked towards the ship.



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