* THE ADVENTURES OF * TINNTING THE LOST TREASURE

CHAPTER 1 The Unicorn



Tintin and his dog Snowy were in the town. Tintin saw a beautiful model of a ship.

'I'm going to buy that,' he thought.

He gave the money to the man and soon he had the ship in his hands.

'Its name is the Unicorn,' he said to Snowy.

'*The Unicorn*?' said a man behind Tintin. 'I would like to buy that model.'

'Why?' asked Tintin.

'I am Ivan Sakharine,' said the tall man. 'A long time ago Sir Francis Haddock made three models of his ship, the *Unicorn*. I have one and I want to give them all back to a Haddock now.'

But Tintin did not like Sakharine. 'Sorry, you can't buy it,' he said. He walked home with the ship.







At home, Tintin put the ship on a table. Suddenly a cat jumped inside the room. Snowy ran after it and ...

'Snowy!' cried Tintin. 'You broke the ship!' Then he saw something inside it – an old scroll. It said something about three *Unicorns* and the light of the sun.

'I don't understand,' thought Tintin. 'And what's this at the bottom? I can't read it.'





Suddenly some men were outside with a big box.

'This is for you,' one man said to Tintin.

'What's in it?' asked Tintin.

'YOU are going to be in it!' said the other man. The men put Tintin in the box and took him away.

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