

The Theft of the Mona Lisa



It was the art theft of the century... On August 21st, 1911, someone stole the most famous painting in the world from the Louvre. According to author Seymour Reit, "Someone walked into the Salon Carré, lifted it off the wall and went out with it! The painting was stolen Monday morning, but the interesting thing about it was that it wasn't 'til Tuesday at noon that they first realized it was gone." Use the website to answer the following questions.

1. How was the theft discovered?

2. How was the crime committed?

3. Who were the suspects in the crime?

4. Who was Mona Lisa?

5. How was the Mona Lisa finally found?

6. What happened at the trial?
