



# A STUDY IN SCARLET SIR ARTHUR CONAN DOYLE

STAGE 1  
A1  
YOUNG ADULT READERS

## ACTIVITIES

1 Can you find eighteen words below?

MYSTERYLIFEPOLICEWRONGVIOLINDEADBLOODKNIFERINGPOISONMOUNTAINS  
SCARLETTHOUSANDSHEARTPILLSPINKHEAVYDRIVER

scarlet, life, thousands, heart, pills, pink, heavy, driver,  
mystery, life, police, wrong, violin, dead, blood, knife, ring, poison, mountains,



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### 2 Read this part of the story, then tick True or False below.

Just after eight o'clock, someone came to our door. The person came into the house and up to our rooms. We were ready for him. But when our door opened, we didn't see a tall man, it was an old woman! She told us it was her daughter's ring. She was pleased to find it. Her daughter's husband was a difficult man and she was always worried about him. She took the ring and then she left. Sherlock ran to get his coat and went out after her.

I looked out of the window. The old woman called a taxi. Sherlock was close behind her. He got on to the back of the old woman's taxi and it left. I didn't see him again until twelve o'clock that night.

- 1 Holmes and Watson thought the person at their door was a tall man.
- 2 The old woman told them her daughter had a happy life with her husband.
- 3 Sherlock Holmes looked out of the window and saw her get in a taxi.
- 4 Sherlock got on to the back of the old woman's taxi and arrived home late.

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### TEST YOURSELF

*Something, someone, no one or nothing?*

Put the correct word in the gap.

- Someone put a long knife in his heart.
- 1 I found \_\_\_\_\_ that will help the police!
  - 2 We cannot understand how Drebber died, and \_\_\_\_\_ took his money.
  - 3 I sent a message to Cleveland in the USA this morning, but we've heard \_\_\_\_\_ from them.
  - 4 I think Drebber is dead because he did \_\_\_\_\_ bad to the man who wrote 'Rache'.
  - 5 There was \_\_\_\_\_ in the street except a very tall man.
  - 6 Just after eight o'clock, \_\_\_\_\_ came to our door.
  - 7 \_\_\_\_\_ saw Drebber and Stangerson at Euston Station.
  - 8 There was \_\_\_\_\_ but sun and dry salt.
  - 9 There's no water here and \_\_\_\_\_ to eat.
  - 10 I knew a house where \_\_\_\_\_ lived, and I took him there.



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### Sherlock Holmes Tour

In the beautiful city of London, the setting of the stories of Arthur Conan Doyle's, fans of Sherlock Holmes have the possibility to see the places where the author was inspired for the adventures of the well-known detective. Moreover, you can explore some of the locations featured in the books, films and TV series on the Sherlock Holmes Tour. Your professional tour guide will accompany you on this two-hour tour of Sherlock's London, with a lot of opportunities to take photos along the way. If you want, you can wear a deerstalker hat (typical Sherlock's cap) and Sherlock costume.

