



Three Adventures of Sherlock Holmes

Answers to Book activities

- Open answer
- fire: candle, poker crime: case, revolver (poker)
sound: hiss, whistle building: shutters, ventilate
clothes: veil
- a carriage, passage, however, horror
b inn, stepfather, owed, will
c snake, lead, rope
- 1f, 2c, 3d, 4b, 5a, 6e
- a There was a war between the northern and southern states.
b Thomes 'Stonewall' Jackson, was a leading southern general in the first two years of the war. He died in an accident in 1863.
- Examples:
a in the snow in a courtroom in an apple
b solve it play it
c tell a lie
- Open answers
- shame (and open answers)
- 9-18 Open answers

Answers to Factsheet activities

Communicative activities

Open answers

Student's activities

Activities before reading the book

Open answers

Activities while reading the book

'The Speckled Band'

- (a) (iii) a detective
(b) (vi) Holmes' friend and helper
(c) (x) where Holmes and Watson live
(d) (ii) a servant to Holmes and Watson
(e) (i) a person who Holmes helped in the past
(f) (vii) the woman who came to see Holmes early in the morning
(g) (iv) Helen Stoner's stepfather
(h) (viii) when Helen Stoner and Dr Roylott live
(i) (ix) where Dr Stoner worked in the past
(j) (v) Helen's twin sister
- (a) shut
(b) argued
(c) made
(d) ended
(e) became
(f) be controlled
(g) threw
(h) was not reported
(i) allowed
(j) went
(k) liked
- The correct order is:
(m) Julia went into her bedroom.
(j) Julia locked her bedroom door.
(d) Helen heard her sister scream.
(e) Helen opened her bedroom door.
(b) Helen heard a low whistle.
(c) Helen heard a noise like metal falling.
(f) Helen ran down the passage.
(h) Julia came out of her bedroom.

- (g) Helen threw her arms round her sister.
(i) Julia fell to the ground.
(l) Julia screamed, 'The speckled band!'
(k) Julia pointed in the direction of the doctor's room.
(a) Helen called loudly for her stepfather.
- These facts come after:
Julia locked her bedroom door
- Possible answers:
• no way to get into the room
• no hidden door
• no marks of violence
• no poison
- Possible answers:
• she is going to get married
• her stepfather has agreed to the marriage
• she is sleeping in her sister's bedroom
• she heard the low whistle
- The complete notes are as follows:
• shutters that no-one could get through
• building work which is unnecessary.
• bell ropes which do not pull
• ventilators which do not ventilate
• a large iron box with a bowl of milk on top of it
• a small dog lead with the end tied in a small circle
• a bed that is fixed to the floor, near the bell rope and under the ventilator

8 A possible set of matches is as follows:

(a) bright	(xiii) light
(b) middle	(xxvi) window
(c) dark	(xviii) road
(d) long, thin	(xxiv) stick
(e) box	(xiv) matches
(f) end	(iv) candle
(g) terrible	(ix) hours
(h) night	(ii) bird
(i) church	(vi) clock
(j) burning	(xvi) oil
(k) heated	(xv) metal
(l) small	(xi) lamp
(m) gentle	(xxi) sound
(n) steam	(xvii) pot
(o) bell	(xix) rope
(p) low, clear	(xxv) whistle
(q) pale	(viii) face
(r) horrible	(vii) cry
(s) iron	(iii) box
(t) wooden	(v) chair
(u) dog	(xii) lead
(v) terrible	(xxiii) stare
(w) strange yellow	(i) band
(x) brown	(xxii) spots
(y) most dangerous type	(xx) snake
(z) dead man's	(x) knees

9 Open answers

'The Five Orange Pips'

- (a) (iii) If someone needs my help, it must be a serious case.
(b) (v) That is easy.
(c) (vi) That is not always so easy.
(d) (i) Ah, of course. They said that he cheated at cards.
(e) (ii) I have been beaten - three times by men and once by a woman.
(f) (iv) It is not an ordinary one.
- Possible answers:
(a) He burnt some papers.
He made a will.
(b) He drank more
He spent most of the time in his room

Sometimes he got drunk and ran around with a gun in his hand
(c) He walked out one night and never came back - they found him in a small lake - dead.

3 Possible answers

the orange pips
went out and didn't come back
looked like an accident

4 (a) (vi) Nothing.

(b) (v) No, he was ordered to stay in the house.

(c) (iv) I only spoke to Captain Prendergast about my problem today, and he told me to come and see you.

(d) (vii) There is one thing.

(e) (viii) What shall I do?

(f) (ii) Completely.

(g) (i) By train from Waterloo Station.

(h) (iii) I am carrying a gun.

5 Possible answers:

(a) He sees that the three postmarks are all from seaports and that the deaths happened in the time it would take to get from that seaport to Horsham.

(b) It is a secret organisation against black people in the US. Uncle Elias was probably a member and probably stole a list of members.

(c) They were all killed for the same reason - because they did not give back the list of members of the KKK.

(d) SH = Sherlock Holmes, JO = John Openshaw - Holmes is telling the murderers that he is on their track.

'The Crown of Diamonds'

Part 1 The Banker's Problem

1 The correct matches are:

(a) He ran	(vi) along the street.
(b) He waved	(v) his arms up and down.
(c) He should	(i) his head.
(d) He rushed	(iii) at the door.
(e) He moved	(iv) from side to side.
(f) He pulled	(ii) at his hair.

2 Possible matches:

card	name
lend	£50,000
crown	diamonds
carriage	house
cupboard	dressing-room

3 Open answers

4 (a) Arthur

(b) Alexander

(c) Mary

(d) Alexander

(e) Arthur

(f) Alexander

5 (a) None, except for my business partner and his family, and sometimes Arthur's friends.

(b) Arthur does. Mary and I stay at home.

(c) She is quiet. And she is not very young. She is twenty-four.

(d) A terrible shock!

(e) I saw him with my own eyes with the crown in his hands.

(f) Yes, it was bent out of shape.

(g) Mr Holmes, thank you.

(h) They thought it might be the sound of Arthur's bedroom door.



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- (i) They are still checking under the floors and in the furniture.
 - (j) Yes, they have examined the whole garden.
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- (a) the road by the side of the houses – he found marks of a man with a wooden leg
 - (b) the lower windows, especially the large window which looked from the hall to the road
 - (c) upstairs – he looked at the cupboard, the case inside, the crown
 - (d) he tried to break a piece off the crown
 - (e) outside again
- 7 Open answers

Activities after reading the book

Open answers

