

The Boscombe Valley Mystery



1. Did the half hour mean it was 10:45?
2. Did Holmes really need Watson's help?
3. Why a cloak instead of a coat?
4. Is a person in their thirties young or middle-aged?
5. Why did James start back for his house?
6. What are platform tickets?
7. Why did Watson's wife want him to leave?
8. Was Holmes wearing a deerstalker?
9. Did Holmes want company or assistance? Who paid Watson's expenses?
10. Is "the" in "**the** two corner seats" meaningful?
11. Was it a carriage or only a compartment?
12. Why the reference to London papers when local papers were at hand?
13. Was England's murder rate high?
14. Were Turner and McCarthy Australian or English?
15. How old really was James McCarthy?
16. Did Patience Moran see Turner?
17. Where is the right hand side of one's bedroom?
18. Did Watson have the moustache of *The Red Circle* days?
19. Did Holmes err as to the case of the "self reproach and contrition"?
20. Having asked for Watson's company, why did Holmes abandon him the first evening?
21. Who were the serving-man and groom?
22. Why Petrarch rather than conversation?
23. Do you carry a gun if you wouldn't hurt a fly?
24. Why was there "the quick blush"?
25. Was the hideous outcry consistent with the head wound?
26. Would you want James to marry **your** daughter?
27. Was the cape waterproof?
28. Was Turner vigorous for one so ill?
29. Was the stone bloodied?
30. Did Holmes apply his blood test (from *STUD*)?
31. Was Turner's secret really safe?

