



## The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes

### Adventure X -- The Adventure of the Speckled Band

**Compilation of quizzes from the Diogenes Club and the Crew of the Barque Lone Star**

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| 1.  | How long had Dr. Watson studied the methods of Sherlock Holmes when he penned this adventure?      |  |
| 2.  | Who is the young lady who arrived at 221B Baker Street in a considerable state of excitement?      |  |
| 3.  | By what means did the young lady travel from her home to the station?                              |  |
| 4.  | Who referred the young lady to Sherlock Holmes?  |  |
| 5.  | Who is the last survivor of one of the oldest Saxon Families in England?                           |  |
| 6.  | Where is the old ancestral house?  |  |
| 7.  | What was the name of the young lady's poor sister?   |  |
| 8.  | What two animals wander freely over the grounds of the ancestral home?                             |  |
| 9.  | To whom is the young lady engaged to be married?   |  |
| 10. | What is the speckled band?   |  |
| 11. | What type of revolver did Dr. Watson have?   |  |
| 12. | For what were Palmer and Pritchard known?  |  |
| 13. | What did Roylott bend to demonstrate his strength to Holmes?                                       |  |
| 14. | How much money would Roylott lose if both his daughters married?                                   |  |
| 15. | What did Holmes notice about the bed that he was suspicious of?                                    |  |
| 16. | Watson described the snake that had done all the killing as what type?                             |  |
| 17. | What would Roylott allegedly do to recall the snake into his room?                                 |  |
| 18. | What was the maiden name of Helen and Julia's mother?  |  |
| 19. | "You are Holmes the meddler. You are Holmes the busybody! You are Holmes the Scotland Yard _____!" |  |

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| 20. | When addressing Roylott, Holmes mentions a particular plant promises well this year. What is the plant? |  |
| 21. | What kind of animal does Holmes ask about when he is looking at Roylott's room?                         |  |
| 22. | Where did Dr. Roylott meet his wife?  |  |
| 23. | Why did Dr. Roylott had to end his medical practice in India?   |  |
| 24. | Who were Dr. Roylott's only friends?  |  |
| 25. | Where did Julia meet her husband-to-be?   |  |
| 26. | According to Helen, what was the cause of her sister's death?   |  |
| 27. | Why were the gypsies known as the speckled band?  |  |
| 28. | What were Julia Stoner's final words?   |  |
| 29. | What two sounds are important evidence in solving the mystery?  |  |
| 30. | When Holmes reacts imperturbably to Dr. Roylott's visit he is reacting. What is imperturbably?          |  |

**Answers**

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| 1.  | How long had Dr. Watson studied the methods of Sherlock Holmes when he penned this adventure?           | <b>Eight years</b>  |
| 2.  | Who is the young lady who arrived at 221B Baker Street in a considerable state of excitement?           | <b>Helen Stoner</b>   |
| 3.  | By what means did the young lady travel from her home to the station?                                   | <b>Dog cart</b>   |
| 4.  | Who referred the young lady to Sherlock Holmes?   | <b>Mrs. Farintosh</b>   |
| 5.  | Who is the last survivor of one of the oldest Saxon Families in England?                                | <b>Dr. Grimesby Roylott</b>   |
| 6.  | Where is the old ancestral house?   | <b>Stoke Moran</b>  |
| 7.  | What was the name of the young lady's poor sister?  | <b>Julia</b>  |
| 8.  | What two animals wander freely over the grounds of the ancestral home?                                  | <b>Cheetah and a baboon</b>   |
| 9.  | To whom is the young lady engaged to be married?  | <b>Percy Armitage</b>   |
| 10. | What is the speckled band?  | <b>The snake that killed Miss Stoner</b>  |
| 11. | What type of revolver did Dr. Watson have?  | <b>Eley's No. 2</b>   |
| 12. | For what were Palmer and Pritchard known?   | <b>William Palmer poisoned his wife, brother, and an associate for their insurance. Edward Pritchard poisoned his wife and mother-in-law. Both were surgeons.</b> |
| 13. | What did Roylott bend to demonstrate his strength to Holmes?  | <b>A Fireplace poker</b>  |
| 14. | How much money would Roylott lose if both his daughters married?  | <b>500 pounds</b>   |
| 15. | What did Holmes notice about the bed that he was suspicious of?   | <b>It was attached to the floor</b>   |
| 16. | Watson described the snake that had done all the killing as what type?                                  | <b>Swamp adder – the deadliest snake in India</b>   |
| 17. | What would Roylott allegedly do to recall the snake into his room?                                      | <b>Whistle for it</b>   |
| 18. | What was the maiden name of Helen and Julia's mother?   | <b>A long thin cane</b>   |
| 19. | "You are Holmes the meddler. You are Holmes the busybody! You are Holmes the Scotland Yard _____!"      | <b>Jack – in - Office</b>   |
| 20. | When addressing Roylott, Holmes mentions a particular plant promises well this year. What is the plant? | <b>Crocuses</b>   |
| 21. | What kind of animal does Holmes ask about when he is looking at Roylott's room?                         | <b>A cat</b>  |

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| 22. | Where did Dr. Roylott meet his wife?   | <b>India</b>  |
| 23. | Why did Dr. Roylott had to end his medical practice in India?                                  | <b>He had beat his butler to death</b>                |
| 24. | Who were Dr. Roylott's only friends?   | <b>The Gypsies</b>                                    |
| 25. | Where did Julia meet her husband-to-be?  | <b>While visiting her aunt</b>                        |
| 26. | According to Helen, what was the cause of her sister's death?                                  | <b>Fear and nervous shock</b>                         |
| 27. | Why were the gypsies known as the speckled band?   | <b>They wore spotted handkerchiefs on their heads</b> |
| 28. | What were Julia Stoner's final words?  | <b>"It was the band! The speckled band!"</b>          |
| 29. | What two sounds are important evidence in solving the mystery?                                 | <b>Whistling, and a metallic clank</b>                |
| 30. | When Holmes reacts imperturbably to Dr. Roylott's visit he is reacting. What is imperturbably? | <b>Unexcitedly</b>                                    |

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