



## The Return of Sherlock Holmes

### Adventure XXXVI – The Adventure of the Three Students

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| Baker Street          | Most famous of all London Streets, the residence of Sherlock Holmes from the 1880s to 1903, during the greatest part of his professional life as a consulting detective; also, the residence of John Watson for much of that same period   |
| Bannister             | Servant to Hilton Soames; he had once been Sir Jabez Gilchrist's butler, and so attempted to shield his former employer's son from a scandal of cheating   |
| Faber, Johann         | Nuremberg lead-pencil manufacturer; the pencil used to copy out the passage of Thucydides was made by this firm  |
| Fortescue Scholarship | Scholarship for which Gilchrist, McLaren, and Daulat Ras vied; included translating a passage from Thucydides; Professor Soames was worried about the safety of the examination questions  |
| Gilchrist             | Scholar and athlete, son of Sir Jabez Gilchrist, and a student at the College of St. Luke's, was one of three students preparing for the Fortescue Scholarship exams   |
| Gilchrist, Sir Jabez  | Gambler who ruined himself on the turf; his son, was the guilty party in the Fortescue Scholarship scandal   |
| Holmes, Sherlock      | The world's first and only consulting detective; born in approximately 1854; ancestors were country squires; Watson described Holmes as "bohemian" in his habits and lifestyle; said to have a "cat-like" love of personal cleanliness, at the same time Holmes is an eccentric with no regard for contemporary standards of tidiness or good order. |

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| McLaren, Miles  | Student at St. Luke's College and a contestant for the Fortescue Scholarship, considered wayward and unprincipled; Professor Soames considered McLaren to be the prime suspect in cheating on the exam; McLaren was almost expelled over a card scandal in his first year   |
| Ras, Daulat     | Student at St. Luke's College and a contestant for the Fortescue Scholarship; Greek was considered one of his weak subjects   |
| Rhodesia        | British possession in South Africa, administered by the British South Africa Company; young Gilchrist accepted a commission in the Rhodesian Police after being accused of cheating on the Fortescue Scholarship exam   |
| Soames, Hilton  | Tutor and lecturer in Greek at the College of St. Luke's who asked Holmes to investigate when examination papers for the Fortescue Scholarship were tampered with; when entering 221b, Watson described him "in such a state of uncontrollable agitation that it was clear something very unusual had occurred"   |
| South Africa    | General term referring to the Boer republics and to the British possessions in southern Africa; young Gilchrist accepted a commission in the Rhodesian Police and left for South Africa immediately   |
| St. Luke's      | Name given to the University college where Hilton Soames taught, and where the Fortescue Scholarship exam was to be administered  |
| Thucydides      | Greatest of ancient Greek historians; the first examination in the Fortescue Scholarship examination consisted of translating half a chapter of Thucydides  |
| Watson, John H. | Friend and biographer of Sherlock Holmes, it appears he was borne in the early 1850s; took his Degree of Doctor in Medicine in 1878; served as a staff surgeon at St. Bartholomew's Hospital; while serving in the Army Medical Department, he was severely wounded in the Battle of Maiwand in Afghanistan; his wound and general impairment of health earned him a retirement and wound pension |