



The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes

Adventure IX -- The Adventure of the Blue Carbuncle

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

1.	What does Commissionaire Peterson bring Holmes on Christmas morning along with a goose?	
2.	How much is the reward for the return of the blue carbuncle?	
3.	Where was the blue carbuncle originally discovered?	
4.	From where was the blue carbuncle stolen?	
5.	What other crimes, associated with the jewel, were committed?	
6.	What does James Ryder's goose look like?	
7.	Who is arrested for the theft of the blue carbuncle?	
8.	Where does Henry Baker get his prized goose?	
9.	What does Holmes say and do to the man who stole the blue carbuncle after he confesses and begins sobbing?	
10.	How much did Conan Doyle receive for writing this story?	
11.	How many human beings were jostling each other within the space of a few miles?	
12.	Of the last six cases which Watson had added to his notes, how many had been free of any legal crime?	
13.	Who found the hat?	
14.	Who owned the hat?	
15.	Who owned the blue carbuncle?	
16.	Who is the plumber accused of having abstracted the blue carbuncle from the lady's jewel case?	
17.	Who gave evidence as to the arrest of the plumber?	
18.	Who instituted the goose club?	

19.	What was the address of Mrs. Oakshott?	
20.	What inferences did Holmes make from the hat?	
21.	From where was the phrase <i>disiecta membra</i> adapted?	
22.	On Christmas Eve, Henry Baker lost what two items?	
23.	What was the name of the Scotland Yard inspector in this case?	
24.	How large was the blue carbuncle (in grains)?	
25.	What was the offer (reward) for the return of the carbuncle?	
26.	How much did Holmes estimate the carbuncle to be worth (at least)?	
27.	In what neighborhood of London was the Alpha Inn located?	
28.	Of what kind of leather was the casket that the Countess of Morcar kept the blue carbuncle made?	
29.	“_____ has put in our way a most singular and whimsical problem, and its solution is its own reward.”	
30.	How many geese raised by Maggie Oakshott had a barred tail?	
31.	How many years of imprisonment did Horner face for the robbery, according to Holmes?	
32.	What do most gemologists consider a carbuncle to actually be?	
33.	In what prison did Ryder’s friend, Maudsley, serve time?	
34.	What was unusual about finding a blue carbuncle (or any jewel for that matter) in the crop of a goose?	

Answers		
1.	What does Commissionaire Peterson bring Holmes on Christmas morning along with a goose?	An old felt hat
2.	How much is the reward for the return of the blue carbuncle?	1000 pounds
3.	Where was the blue carbuncle originally discovered?	On the banks of the Annoy river in China
4.	From where was the blue carbuncle stolen?	The Hotel Cosmopolitan
5.	What other crimes, associated with the jewel, were committed?	2 murders, a vitriol-throwing, suicide, several robberies
6.	What does James Ryder's goose look like?	It is white with a barred tail
7.	Who is arrested for the theft of the blue carbuncle?	John Horner, the plumber who came to the Countess' dressing room to solder a gate
8.	Where does Henry Baker get his prized goose?	Henry Baker is a member of the Alpha Inn goose club, contributing a few pence each week return for a goose on Christmas
9.	What does Holmes say and do to the man who stole the blue carbuncle after he confesses and begins sobbing?	Holmes throws open the door and shouts at him to leave
10.	How much did Conan Doyle receive for writing this story?	50 pounds
11.	How many human beings were jostling each other within the space of a few miles?	Four million
12.	Of the last six cases which Watson had added to his notes, how many had been free of any legal crime?	3
13.	Who found the hat?	Peterson, the commissionaire
14.	Who owned the hat?	Henry Baker
15.	Who owned the blue carbuncle?	Countess of Morcar
16.	Who is the plumber accused of having abstracted the blue carbuncle from the lady's jewel case?	John Horner
17.	Who gave evidence as to the arrest of the plumber?	Inspector Bradstreet, B division
18.	Who instituted the goose club?	Windigate
19.	What was the address of Mrs. Oakshott?	117, Brixton Road

20.	What inferences did Holmes make from the hat?	The man was intellectual, he was fairly well-to-do within the last 3 years, although he has fallen upon evil days; he had foresight, but has less now; this may account his wife has ceased to love him; he has retained some degree of self-respect; he is leads a sedentary life, goes out little, is out of training entirely, is middle-aged, has grizzled hair which he has had cut recently, and which he anoints with lime-cream; it is improbable he has gas laid on in his house.
21.	From where was the phrase disjecta membra adapted?	Horace's Satires (Satire I, 4, line 62): Invenias etiam disjecta membra poetae" ("You would still find the limbs of the dismembered poet").
22.	On Christmas Eve, Henry Baker lost what two items?	His hat and his goose
23.	What was the name of the Scotland Yard inspector in this case?	Bradstreet
24.	How large was the blue carbuncle (in grains)?	40 grains (the size of a lima bean)
25.	What was the offer (reward) for the return of the carbuncle?	1,000 pounds
26.	How much did Holmes estimate the carbuncle to be worth (at least)?	20,000 pounds worth
27.	In what neighborhood of London was the Alpha Inn located?	Bloomsbury
28.	Of what kind of leather was the casket that the Countess of Morcar kept the blue carbuncle made?	Moroccan leather
29.	"_____ has put in our way a most singular and whimsical problem, and its solution is its own reward."	Chance
30.	How many geese raised by Maggie Oakshott had a barred tail?	2
31.	How many years of imprisonment did Horner face for the robbery, according to Holmes?	7
32.	What do most gemologists consider a carbuncle to actually be?	A garnet
33.	In what prison did Ryder's friend, Maudsley, serve time?	Pentonville
34.	What was unusual about finding a blue carbuncle (or any jewel for that matter) in the crop of a goose?	A goose does not have a crop

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