



The Memoirs of Sherlock Holmes Adventure XX -- The Adventure of the Musgrave Ritual

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

True or False – if False, Why?	
1.	Holmes and Reginald Musgrave met in college.
2.	Brunton, the butler, was a midshipman in the navy before he became employed by the Musgraves.
3.	According to Musgrave, Brunton’s only shortcoming was his tendency to bet on horses.
4.	Musgrave fired Brunton because he was too forward with the female staff.
5.	The Musgrave Ritual, having lost meaning and significance over the centuries is a series of questions and answers passed down from generation to generation.
6.	Brunton broke his engagement to Rachel Howells, the second housemaid.
7.	By studying the spelling of the document, Holmes determines that the Musgrave Ritual was drawn up during the time of King Henry VIII.
8.	In calculating the site of the ritual from the catechism, Holmes is off track on his projection because he reads the message backwards.
9.	Holmes and Musgrave realize that Brunton must be in the cellar because his cigarette case was found nearby.
10.	Holmes deduces that Brunton was locked in the cellar by his ex-lover Rachel Howells.
11.	Where Did Holmes keep his cigars, tobacco, and correspondence ?
12.	Where did Holmes live when he first came up to London (which street) and was near what institution?
13.	When Holmes discovered the location of the treasure, what was attached to the iron ring above where the treasure was hidden?
14.	“I have taken to living by my _____.”
15.	What did Reginald Musgrave take with him as a weapon when he entered the library and discovered Brunton reading the Musgrave ritual?
16.	Who helped Holmes raise the door to the chamber where Brunton’s body was found?

17.	What fictional character does Musgrave compare Brunton to ?	
18.	What part of the catechism did Musgrave recognize Holmes had left out ?	
19.	“From this starting point I proceeded to step, having first taken the cardinal points...” What are cardinal points ?	
20.	What was the crime in this case?	
21.	How many questions are in the Musgrave Ritual?	
22.	How long was it since Holmes had seen Musgrave?	
23.	Where was Musgraves’ novel left?	
24.	How many other cases are mentioned in this story?	
25.	What weapons are noted in the case?	
26.	The girth of “the oak” was?	
27.	How deep is the lake of Hurlstone Manor?	
28.	What was the height of the “elm”?	
29.	The ritual led to the relics of the House of _____?	
30.	How many items were in the “wooden box”?	
31.	Who was the daughter of the Head Game Keeper?	
32.	What was Rachel Howell’s job?	
33.	Who’s first name was Richard?	

Answers

True or False – if False, Why?

1.	Holmes and Reginald Musgrave met in college.	TRUE
2.	Brunton, the butler, was a midshipman in the navy before he became employed by the Musgraves.	FALSE – Brunton was a schoolmaster before he went to work for the Musgrave family
3.	According to Musgrave, Brunton’s only shortcoming was his tendency to bet on horses.	FALSE – Brunton’s only shortcoming was that he was such a ladies’ man
4.	Musgrave fired Brunton because he was too forward with the female staff.	FALSE – Brunton was fired when Reginald Musgrave found him going through the family papers in the library
5.	The Musgrave Ritual, having lost meaning and significance over the centuries is a series of questions and answers passed down from generation to generation.	TRUE
6.	Brunton broke his engagement to Rachel Howells, the second housemaid.	TRUE
7.	By studying the spelling of the document, Holmes determines that the Musgrave Ritual was drawn up during the time of King Henry VIII.	FALSE – The Musgrave Ritual was drawn up during the Norman Conquest
8.	In calculating the site of the ritual from the catechism, Holmes is off track on his projection because he reads the message backwards.	FALSE – Holmes miscalculates because he forgot to consider the words “and under”
9.	Holmes and Musgrave realize that Brunton must be in the cellar because his cigarette case was found nearby.	FALSE – Brunton’s muffler is found near the cellar
10.	Holmes deduces that Brunton was locked in the cellar by his ex-lover Rachel Howells.	TRUE
11.	Where Did Holmes keep his cigars, tobacco, and correspondence ?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cigars – coal scuttle • Tobacco – persian slipper • Correspondence – mantel affixed by jack-knife
12.	Where did Holmes live when he first came up to London (which street) and was near what institution?	Montague Street; British Museum
13.	When Holmes discovered the location of the treasure, what was attached to the iron ring above where the treasure was hidden?	Brunton’s muffler
14.	“I have taken to living by my _____.”	Wits
15.	What did Reginald Musgrave take with him as a weapon when he entered the library and discovered Brunton reading the Musgrave ritual?	A battle axe

16.	Who helped Holmes raise the door to the chamber where Brunton's body was found?	Burly Sussex policeman
17.	What fictional character does Musgrave compare Brunton to ?	Don Juan
18.	What part of the catechism did Musgrave recognize Holmes had left out ?	" ... and under ..."
19.	"From this starting point I proceeded to step, having first taken the cardinal points..." What are cardinal points ?	The four primary points on a compass (North, South, East, and West)
20.	What was the crime in this case?	Murder
21.	How many questions are in the Musgrave Ritual?	7
22.	How long was it since Holmes had seen Musgrave?	4 years
23.	Where was Musgraves' novel left?	The Billiard room
24.	How many other cases are mentioned in this story?	5 (Tarleton murders, Case of Vamberry the Wine Merchant, The Russian Woman, the Aluminum Crutch, and Ricoletti of the Club-Foot)
25.	What weapons are noted in the case?	Battle-axe
26.	The girth of "the oak" was?	23 feet
27.	How deep is the lake of Hurlstone Manor?	8 foot
28.	What was the height of the "elm"?	64 feet
29.	The ritual led to the relics of the House of _____?	Stuarts
30.	How many items were in the "wooden box"?	6 (crumpled piece of paper, brass key, peg of wood with ball of string, three rusty old disks of metal)
31.	Who was the daughter of the Head Game Keeper?	Janet Tregellis
32.	What was Rachel Howell's job?	Second housemaid
33.	Who's first name was Richard?	Brunton the butler

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