December 20, 2018

The Beacon Society c/o Susan Z. Diamond, Grant Committee Chair 16W603 Third Ave.

Dear Ms. Diamond,

The Swampscott Middle School Library/Media Center was thrilled to receive the Jan Stauber 2018 grant from The Beacon Society for the Sherlock Holmes Scavenger Hunt. The scavenger hunt class was designed to teach 5th and 6th grade students how to use the online catalog and to understand the difference between fiction and non-fiction. Students worked in teams to find 10 books based on clues. They had to remember where things were located in the library and read the clues closely. Teamwork was a must.

The first year the class was offered, students said it would be great to have prizes. The Jan Stauber grant allowed the library to award Sherlock Holmes books as prizes to the winning teams. These students not only completed the scavenger hunt first, but they correctly followed the clues. Members of each team presented results and had to explain to the whole class how they found the books and which were the hardest and easiest to locate. This meant that the students were teaching their classmates.

For the grant, two different Sherlock Holmes scavenger hunts were designed; one for 5th graders and one for 6th graders. The class began with a discussion about Sherlock Holmes. Photos I took of Sherlock Holmes locations in London were displayed. Students were asked what they knew about Sherlock Holmes. Then, we discussed how his strengths were traits the students should use to complete the scavenger hunt. The 6th graders, in most cases, were more familiar with Sherlock Holmes than the 5th graders. But all were thrilled to win the books. I had three different titles so that each team member could get a different book.

Some of the comments from the students included, "I wish we could do this every time we come to the library." And, "do we really get to KEEP the books?" For the purposes of the school, the fact that the students felt that they really learned about using the online catalog and locating information meant that we met our goal – and students enjoyed doing it.

For student safety, a selection of photos of the students holding the books they won will be sent by US mail. That way, there was no concern with online photos being re-posted. If you need more photos, please let us know – only a selection was sent. Besides this report, we attached to the email the invoice for the books, the two different scavenger hunts, Holmes photos and the lesson description. We were able to spend less than we originally thought by buying directly from Dover Publications. We only spent \$255, instead of the initial estimate of \$364.

Thank you, again, for this great opportunity.

Sincerely,

Sandy Moltz, Librarian/Media Specialist Swampscott Middle School 207 Forest Avenue Swampscott, MA 01907



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THE CASE OF THE HIDDEN DEWEY DECIMAL NUMBER

Sherlock Holmes has been hired to find as many cookbooks as possible. A chef has lost a valuable recipe and doesn't remember where he found it.

It started as a dinner party menu for the Swampscott Middle School Library Advisory Board. But chaos has ensued. An ingredient is missing from the dinner and the chef, Principal Calichman, has lost the recipe. In order to crack the case as quickly as possible, Mr. Holmes has asked you, his Baker Street irregulars – street kids with street smarts – to assist him with this case.

But there are rules to this hunt. Each team must locate 10 books in the categories below by using the online catalog. Write the title & call number of the book on each line. When you've finished, bring the 10 books to the table and share your findings with the other teams.

1.FIND A BOOK THAT HAS AN ANIMAL AS THE MAIN CHARACTER. "The limbs and body of some large, white bird, torn savagely to pieces with the feathers still on, were littered all over it." From "The Adventure of Wisteria Lodge: The Tiger of San Pedro." "The hound had kept upon the grassy border while the baronet had run down the path, so that no track but the men was visible." From the Hound of the Baskervilles.

2.**FIND A BOOK THAT IS HISTORICAL FICTION.** "Know then that in the time of the Great Rebellion (the history of which by the learned Lord Clarendon I most earnestly commend to your attention) this Manor of Baskerville was held by Hugo of that name, nor can it be gainsaid that he was most wild, profane, and godless man." From *The Hound of the Baskervilles*.

3.**FIND A BIOGRAPHY.** "His incredible untidiness, his addition to music at strange hours, his occasional revolver practice within doors, his weird and often malodorous scientific experiments, and the atmosphere of violence and danger which hung around him made him the very worst tenant in London." From "The Adventure of the Dying Detective."

4.**FIND A BOOK THAT USES MYTHOLOGY**. "It is devilish, Mr. Holmes, devilish!" cried Mortimer Tregennis. "It is not of this world." From "The Adventure of the Devil's Foot."

5.FIND A BOOK WITH AN AUTHOR WHOSE LAST NAME STARTS WITH THE SAME LETTER AS YOUR LAST NAME. (Only 1 per team)

6.FIND A POETRY BOOK. The Irish Colonel Sir Arthur Conan Doyle Said the king to the colonel, 'The complaints are eternal, That you Irish give more trouble than any other corps.' Said the colonel to the king, 'this complaint is no new thing, for your foemen, sire, have made it A hundred times before.' 7.FIND A BOOK ABOUT WEATHER. "It was the fourth of February in the year 1875. It had been a severe winter, and the snow lay deep in the gorges of the Gilmerton Mountains." From The Valley of Fear. 8.FIND A BOOK ABOUT GERMANY. "'Though unmusical, German is the most expressive of all language, " he observed when Von Bork had stopped from pure exhaustion." From "His Last Bow." 9.FIND A BOOK ABOUT SPORTS. "On the third day it became evident that our journey in the canoes could not last much longer, for the stream was rapidly growing more shallow." From The Lost World. 10.FIND A COOKBOOK. "Am dining at Goldini's Restaurant, Gloucester Road, Kensington. Please come at once and join me there. Bring with you a jimmy, a dark lantern, a chisel, and a revolver. S.H." From "The adventure of the Bruce-Partington Plans." And now you can help Mr. Holmes and choose a cookbook to help the chef complete his recipe!

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SHELOCK HOLMES SCAVENGER HUNT 6TH GRADE

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| 2.FIND A BOOK ABOUT ANCIENT GREECE. "And this was the singular case of the Grecian Interpreter, the explanation of which is still involved in some mystery." From "The Greek Interpreter." |
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| S.FIND A BOOK ABOUT MUSIC. "I see that I have alluded above to his powers upon the violin. These were very remarkable, but as eccentric as all his other accomplishments." From A Study in Scarlet." |

4.**FIND A MYSTERY NOVEL**. "I had no keener pleasure than I following Holmes in his professional investigations, and in admiring the rapid deductions, as swift as intuitions, and yet always founded on a logical basis, with which he unravelled the problems which were submitted to him." From *the Adventure of the Speckled Band*."

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| 6.FIND A BOOK ABOUT ENGLAND. "There's an east wind coming all the same, such a wind as never blew on England yet." From "His Last Bow." | | |
| 7. FIND A MATHEMATICS BOOK. "HE REMARKS THAT, WHILE THE INDIVIDUAL MAN IS AN INSOLUBLE PUZZLE IN THE AGGREGATE HE BECOMES A MAHEMATICAL CERTAINTY." FROM <i>THE SIGN OF FOUR</i> . | | |
| 8. FIND A BOOK ABOUT WAR. "The regiment was stationed in India at the time, and before I could join it, the second Afghan war had broken out." From <i>A Study in Scarlet</i> . | | |
| 9. FIND A <i>NOVEL</i> ABOUT SPORTS . "THERE CAN BE NO QUESTION, MY DEAR WATSON, OF THE VALUE OF EXERCISE BEFORE BREAKFAST." FROM "THE ADVENTURE OF BLACK PETER." | | |
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