

THE GREEK INTERPRETERS

Spring Meeting: May 9th, 2012, Country Club of Lansing

The Red-Headed League

An Acrostic prepared by The Chemist



The first letter of each correct answer, read vertically, will form a phrase.

1. The lower age limit for eligibility in the Red Headed League: _____ (2 wrd, 6, 3 ltrs)
2. Inspector Jones to Watson, "We're _____ in couples again, Doctor. " (1 wrd, 7 ltrs)
3. The age appearance of Holmes' fiery-haired guest: _____ (1 wrd, 7 ltrs).
4. Jabez Wilson's eyes were small and _____ . (2 wrd 3, 9 ltrs).
5. Jabez Wilson's was heavy and brassy _____ : (2 wrd 6, 5 ltrs).
6. John Clay's Bank target: _____ : (3 wrd, 4, 3, 8 ltrs).
7. John Clay is a murderer, forger, smasher and _____ : (1 wrd 5 ltrs).
8. _____ was playing at St. James Hall. (1 wrd 8 ltrs).
9. Not a comic or a homophone cockroach, the other bank robber was _____ : (1 wrd, 6 ltrs).
10. What Holmes asked Watson to put in his pocket: _____ : (1 wrd 8 ltrs).
11. What this case saved Holmes from: _____ (1 wrd 5 ltrs).
12. The number of gold napoleons borrowed from the Bank of France: _____ (2 wrd 6, 8 ltrs).
13. "This is a time for _____ , not for talk." (1 wrd 11 ltrs).
14. Jones' opinion of Holmes' methods: "a little too _____ and fantastic." (1 wrd, 11 ltrs).

15. What Holmes took from the rack in his room ; _____ : (3 wrd 5, 7, 4 ltrs).
16. John Clay spent some of his early years here: _____ (1 wrd 4 ltrs).
17. Holmes lounged in an armchair with his _____. (3 wrd 5, 6, 8 ltrs).
18. A Wealthy but peculiar American: _____ (2 wrd 7 ltrs each).
19. Not Groucho's captain, but the pawnbroker's assistant: _____ (1 wrd 9 ltrs).
20. The end of a Flaubert quote: "...l'oeuvre c'est _____ " (1 wrd 4 ltrs).
21. The nature of the words with which Holmes parted from Watson: _____ (1 wrd 7 ltrs).
22. Jabez Wilson's breastpin showed him to be a _____. (1 wrd, 9 ltrs).
23. William _____, the solicitor at 17 King Edward St. near St. Paul, not the agency. (1 wrd 6 ltrs).
24. Jabez Wilson _____ with pain when his hair was pulled. (1 wrd, 6 ltrs).
25. Duncan Ross thought it unfortunate that Jabez Wilson was a _____. (1 wrd, 8 ltrs).
- 26 The source from which Jabez Wilson spent weeks copying: _____ (2 wrd, 12, 10 ltrs).
27. Where we must go for "strange effects and extraordinary combinations": _____: (2 wrd, 4, 6 ltrs).
28. "You must find your own _____, pen and blotting paper." (1 wrd, 3 ltrs).
29. John Clay's were pierced: _____ (1 wrd, 4 ltrs).
30. Jabez Wilson's was not "over clean": _____ (1 wrd, 9 ltrs) or (2 wrd, 5, 4 ltrs).
31. Holmes and Watson traveled by _____ as far as Aldersgate. (1 wrd 11 ltrs).
32. Watson left home for Baker Street at quarter past _____ : (1 wrd 4 ltrs).
33. Holmes regarded Jones as an "absolute _____ in his profession." (1 wrd, 8 ltrs).
34. The type of pen purchased by Jabez Wilson: _____ (1 wrd 5 ltrs).
35. "You reasoned it out beautifully", Watson exclaimed in _____ admiration. (1 wrd 9 ltrs).
36. It is Holmes' hobby to have an _____ knowledge of London. (1 wrd, 5).



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1. **twenty one**
2. **hunting**
3. **elderly**
4. **fat encircled**
5. **Albert chain**
6. **City and Suburban**
7. **thief**
8. **Sarasate**
9. **Archie**
10. **revolver**
11. **ennui**
12. **thirty thousand**
13. **observation**
14. **theoretical**
15. **heavy hunting crop**
16. **Eton**
17. **black letter editions**
18. **Ezekiah Hopkins**

19. **Spaulding**
20. **tout**
21. **ominous**
22. **freemason**
23. **Morris**
24. **yelled**
25. **bachelor**
26. **Encyclopedia Britannica**
27. **life itself**
28. **ink**
29. **ears**
30. **frockcoat**
31. **underground**
32. **nine**
33. **imbecile**
34. **quill**
35. **unfeigned**
36. **exact**

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