

READING CHECK

Correct the sentences.

- a At three o'clock, Holmes and Watson see a ^{light}~~man~~ light through the ventilator.
- b Holmes hits the bell-rope with his foot.
- c They hear a noise and go to Julia's room.
- d Roylott is sitting on a bed.
- e There is something green in his hair.
- f Holmes puts the animal in the garden.
- g The bread on the safe is not for the cheetah.
- h The metallic noise is from the door of the bedroom.
- i The snake helps Roylott in the end.
- j Holmes is going to sleep badly tonight.
- k Now Helen knows the truth about her brother's death.



WORD WORK

Complete the sentences with the words in the ventilator.

- a That... bridge ... goes across the River Thames.
- b The Black Mamba is a small but it can kill you.
- c Drink and you are very ill or you die.
- d When I hear the of a snake I feel very afraid.
- e This old lamp smells terrible.



GUESS WHAT

What happens to Helen after the story finishes? Tick the boxes and add your own ideas.

- a ☐ She lives with her friend in Harrow.
- b ☐ She sells Stoke Moran and is very rich.
- c ☐ She writes a book about her life.
- d ☐ She marries and has a lot of children.
- e
- f



Project A *Dangerous animals*

- 1 There are many dangerous animals in the world. Complete the text below with the names of the animals in the pictures. Use a dictionary to help you.



Inland Taipan



Poison Dart Frog



Puffer Fish



Blue-Ringed Octopus

Small animals can be very dangerous. The is a beautiful blue colour. It lives in Central and South America. It is only 5 cm long but it is one of the most poisonous animals on Earth. It eats a lot of insects and the poison from these goes into its skin. The native people use the poison to kill animals for food.

Not all snakes are dangerous but some of them can hurt or kill humans. The world's most poisonous snake lives in Australia. Just one bite from the can kill up to 100 people. Luckily, these snakes are very shy and do not like human contact.

The sea is home to dangerous animals too. The lives in the Pacific Ocean. It is very small, but its poison can kill a human. In Japan, people like eating the flesh of the, a strange animal with a very big mouth and eyes. Cooks must prepare the fish carefully, because it is very poisonous to humans.

PROJECTS

2 Read the text again and match the animal and the fact.

You can eat this animal, but it is dangerous.

It is very small and it lives in the sea.

It does not like people very much.

The local people use its poison.

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3 Complete the notes about the Poison Dart Frog with the information from Activity 1.

name of animal	Poison Dart Frog
size	5 cm
colour	
lives in	
eats	
is dangerous because	
other interesting information	

4 Choose a different dangerous animal. Find out about it. Make notes about your animal in the table below.

name of animal	
size	
colour	
lives in	
eats	
is dangerous because	
other interesting information	

5 Make a fact sheet about your animal. Illustrate it with drawings or photos. Use your notes and the texts in Activities 1–4 to help you.

Project B *Write a police report*

- 1 After a crime, the police usually write a report. Read the report below and complete the notes. Use a dictionary to help you.

Report on the death of Rajesh Patel

On June 20th 1850, we go to 3 Queen's Drive, Calcutta. We find the dead body of Rajesh Patel on the floor of the living room. There is a knife next to the body.

Patel, 35, is servant to Dr Grimesby Roylott, the owner of the house.

Roylott tells us about a robbery at his house. His watch and his wife's jewellery are missing. Patel is the thief, Roylott thinks. He and Patel fight and Roylott uses his knife to defend himself.

We do not find the watch and jewellery on Patel's body.

We arrest Dr Roylott on suspicion of murder.



date of police visit	June 20th 1850
name of victim	
age of victim	
place of death	
cause of death	knife wounds
person arrested	
reason for arrest	suspicion of murder

2 Work with a partner. Choose report A or B below and complete it using the notes.

A	date of police visit	March 2nd 1881
	name of victim	Julia Stoner
	age of victim	31
	place of death	Stoke Moran House
	cause of death	not clear
	person arrested	nobody

B	date of police visit	April 15th 1883
	name of victim	Dr Grimesby Roylott
	age of victim	65
	place of death	Stoke Moran House
	cause of death	a poisonous snake bite
	person arrested	nobody

A Report on the death of Julia Stoner

On..... we go to..... in Surrey. We find the dead body of..... in the corridor near her bedroom. We do not find any weapons near the body.

The cause of Miss Stoner's death is..... There are no marks of violence on her body. Her sister, Helen Stoner, tells us about strange noises in the house before Julia's death. We speak to her stepfather, Dr Roylott, and also to the gypsies living near the house. We arrest..... in connection with Miss Stoner's death.



B Report on the death of Dr Grimesby Roylott

On..... we go to.....in Surrey. We find the dead body of.....on a chair in his bedroom. We do not find any weapons near the body. There is a dangerous snake in the safe, Mr Holmes tells us.

The cause of Dr Roylott's death is..... Dr Roylott has dangerous animals in his garden and inside his house.

We arrest.....in connection with Dr Roylott's death. His death is probably an accident.

We inform his stepdaughter, Miss Helen Stoner, of this.



3 Ask your partner questions about his / her report. Write down the answers and complete the second report.

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| a When do the police see the body? | d How old is the victim? |
| b Where do they see the body? | e What is the cause of death? |
| c What is the victim's name? | f Do the police arrest anybody? |

4 Investigate! Find out about a real crime on the Internet or in a newspaper. Make notes about it. Write a short report about the crime. Use the reports in Activities in 1, 2, and 3 to help you.

A blank sheet of lined paper for writing a report.