

# The Red-Headed League

A Play by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle

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This presentation explores one of Sherlock Holmes's most intriguing cases—a mystery where nothing is quite as it seems. Follow along as the great detective uses his extraordinary powers of observation and deductive reasoning to unravel a peculiar scheme involving red-haired gentlemen and a most unusual employment opportunity.

# Sir Arthur Conan Doyle

Sir Arthur Conan Doyle was a famous British writer and doctor.

He was born in 1859 in Scotland.

He is best known for creating the character of Sherlock Holmes, a very intelligent detective who solves difficult mysteries using observation and logic.

Conan Doyle wrote many detective stories, novels, and short stories.

His Sherlock Holmes stories are popular all over the world and are still read by students today.

He died in 1930, but his stories are still remembered and enjoyed.



# Summary

The play "The Red-Headed League" is about how Sherlock Holmes solves a strange case brought to him by a red-haired pawnbroker named Mr Jabez Wilson. Mr Wilson tells Holmes that he got a job from an organisation called the Red-Headed League, where only red-haired men were allowed. His work was to copy the Encyclopaedia Britannica for four hours every day and he was paid four pounds a week. His assistant, Vincent Spaulding, encouraged him to apply for the job.

Mr Wilson worked for eight weeks, but one day he found the office locked and a notice saying that the Red-Headed League was dissolved. He was confused and came to Sherlock Holmes for help. Holmes asked many questions and suspected Vincent Spaulding. Holmes and Dr Watson visited Mr Wilson's shop and noticed signs that someone had been digging underground from the shop. Holmes discovered that Vincent Spaulding was actually a criminal named John Clay.

The Red-Headed League was a trick to keep Mr Wilson away from his shop while Clay dug a tunnel to a bank vault nearby. Holmes informed the police and the bank officials.

When the criminals tried to break into the bank, they were caught.

In this way, Holmes used his intelligence and observation to stop a major bank robbery.

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