

Detective Literature Quiz: 20 Multiple Choice Trivia Questions on Famous Detectives

1. What object disappears from the murdered millionaire's cabin in Agatha Christie's novel Death on the Nile?

- A large diamond
- A pearl necklace
- Mystery letter

2. The kernels of what fruit were associated with a mysterious incident in one of Arthur Conan Doyle's Sherlock Holmes stories?

- Apple
- Orange

Peach

3. Which story by Edgar Allan Poe is considered the first detective work in world literature?

- Murder in the Rue Morgue
- The Cask of Amontillado
- The golden beetle

4. What does the heroine of Rex Stout's novel The Red Box die of?

- A snake bite
- A poisoned candy bar
- An injection

5. Which Agatha Brush detective novel was her best-selling book?

- The Murder of Roger Ackroyd.
- And Then There Were None
- Crooked House

6. Who is the amateur detective in Gilbert Keith Chesterton's The Innocence of Father Brown series?

- An ex-con
- A Catholic priest
- A psychiatrist

7. Which book won Michael Connelly the Edgar Allan Poe Award?

- The Black Echo.
- The Last Coyote
- City of Bones

8. What did the motley ribbon from Arthur Conan Doyle's story of the same name actually turn out to be?

- A snare
- A snake
- An arrow

9. Who investigates the murders in Rex Stout's novel *The League of Scared Men*?

- Tecumseh Fox
- Theodolinda Bonner
- Niro Wolfe

10. What is the title of the sequel to the novel *No Orchids for Miss Blandish* by James Headley Chase?

- The Fast Buck*
- The Flesh of the Orchid*
- Blonde's Requiem*

11. In which work of Arthur Conan Doyle does the adventurer Irene Adler appear?

- A Scandal in Bohemia*
- The Adventure of the Empty House*
- The Sign of the Four*

12. What is the name of the detective who appears in Raymond Chandler's works *The Big Sleep* and *The High Window*?

- Philip Marlowe
- John Dalmas
- Harry Bosch

13. What is the name of the detective thriller by Tess Gerritsen in which detective Jane Rizzoli first appears?

- Harvest*
- The Surgeon*
- Gravity*

14. Wilkie Collins' work that is considered the best detective novel of all time?

- The Moonstone.*
- he Queen of Hearts*
- The Woman in White*

15. What is the name of Arthur Conan Doyle's novella in which Dr. Watson meets the genius detective Sherlock Holmes?

- The Hound of the Baskervilles
- A Study in Scarlet
- The Valley of Fear

16. In which of Agatha Christie's detective novels is murder investigated by Miss Marple?

- Murder on the Orient Express
- The Murder at the Vicarage
- Death in the Clouds

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- The Nursing Home Murder
- Death in Ecstasy
- A Man Lay Dead

18. What is Beatrice Bradley, the heroine of Gladys Mitchell's novel Speedy Death, by profession?

- Psychoanalyst
- An art historian.
- Writer

19. Earl Stanley Gardner's most popular series of novels features a lawyer named ...

- Perry Mason
- Jerry Bain
- Bertha Kool

20. Who helps Hercule Poirot find the serial killer in Agatha Christie's novel The A.B.C. Murders?

- Superintendent Battle
- Captain Hastings
- Colonel Reyes

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