

2009 Summer Reading List  
Incoming grade 8 – students of Debbie Watts

Hound of the Baskervilles By Sir Arthur Conan Doyle

One of the earliest works by an author who was a pioneer in writing crime-solving novels and stories. Set in a spooky English countryside, this book provides the perfect opportunity for you to match wits with the super-sleuth, Sherlock Holmes.

As you read, in your journal:

1. Create a plot diagram, citing specific events which constitute the five elements of plot.
2. Choose three of the main characters, and make a character web for each, citing at least four character traits apiece.
3. At the end of each chapter, write two questions and one prediction.
4. From which of the types of point of view is the story told? What impact does this have upon the story?
5. What is the author's purpose?
6. Does the outcome surprise you? Why or why not?
7. In your own words, how does Sherlock Holmes solve the crime?