Word on the Street
Sherlock Holmes

Exercises
Answers are at the end of this support pack.

Activity 1
Watch Wendy's documentary about the fictional detective, Sherlock Holmes. Which of these things are included in the documentary? Select six things.

a) A statue of Sherlock Holmes
b) Holmes' famous address, 221b Baker Street
c) An interview with a writer of crime stories
d) A visit to a Sherlock Holmes pub
e) An interview with an actor
f) An interview with a member of the Sherlock Holmes Society
g) A visit to a police museum
h) An interview with an ex-policeman
i) A Sherlock Holmes computer game

Activity 2
Use the correct prepositions to complete the expressions in bold in the sentences.

in / of / against / of / with / for / for / after

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3. But not all the famous characters associated _______ London were real.
4. Sherlock Holmes wasn’t a real person, but you can find evidence _____ him all over London.
5. There's a pub named _____ him.
6. He was famous _____ his forensic or scientific techniques.
7. His creator, Conan Doyle, visited police museums to get inspiration _____ his stories.
8. He was really interested _____ real-life crimes.

Activity 3
Can you remember the expressions from Activity 2? Write down the correct words to complete the sentences. There are two words in each gap.

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Discussion

- Why do you think so many people enjoy mystery novels and films?
- Who is your favourite detective?

Discuss these questions with another student or post a comment on the LearnEnglish website.
Answers

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a) b) d) f) g) h)

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