

Arthur Conan Doyle

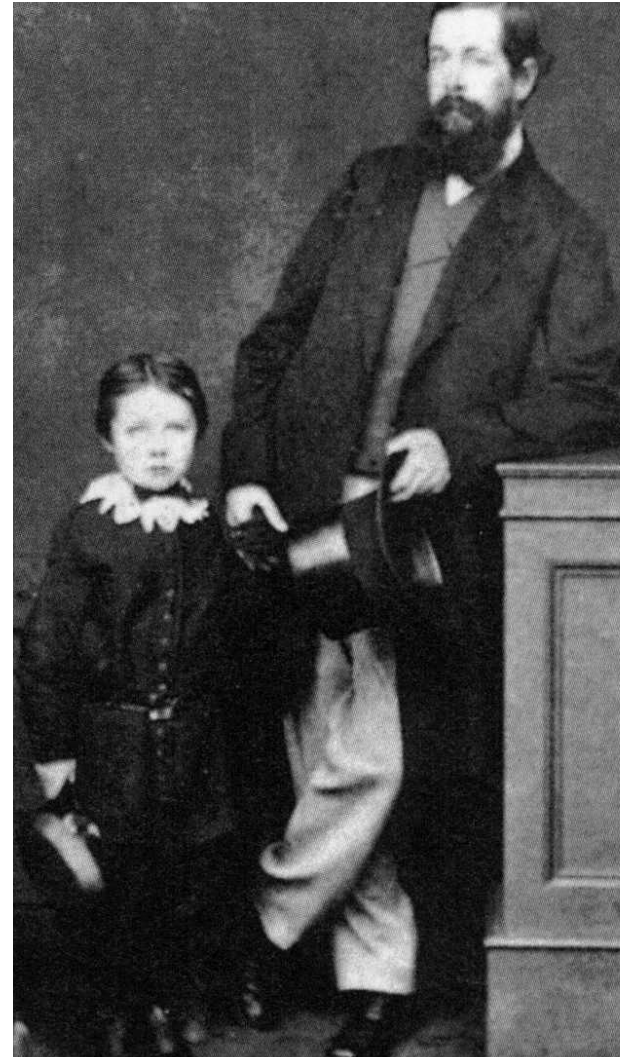


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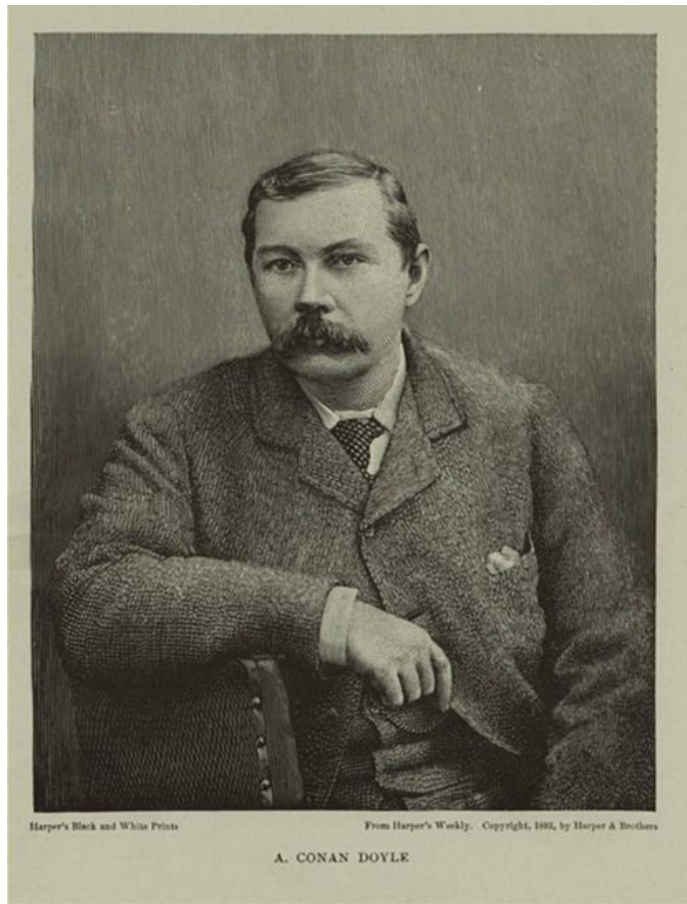
Arthur Conan Doyle was a famous British writer best known by the series of books about Sherlock Holmes.



Arthur Conan Doyle was born in the capital of Scotland, Edinburgh. His father Charles Doyle, was an artist and architect by profession, but he worked as a clerk in an office. Arthur's mother was a very good storyteller and her fantastic stories he remembered all his life.



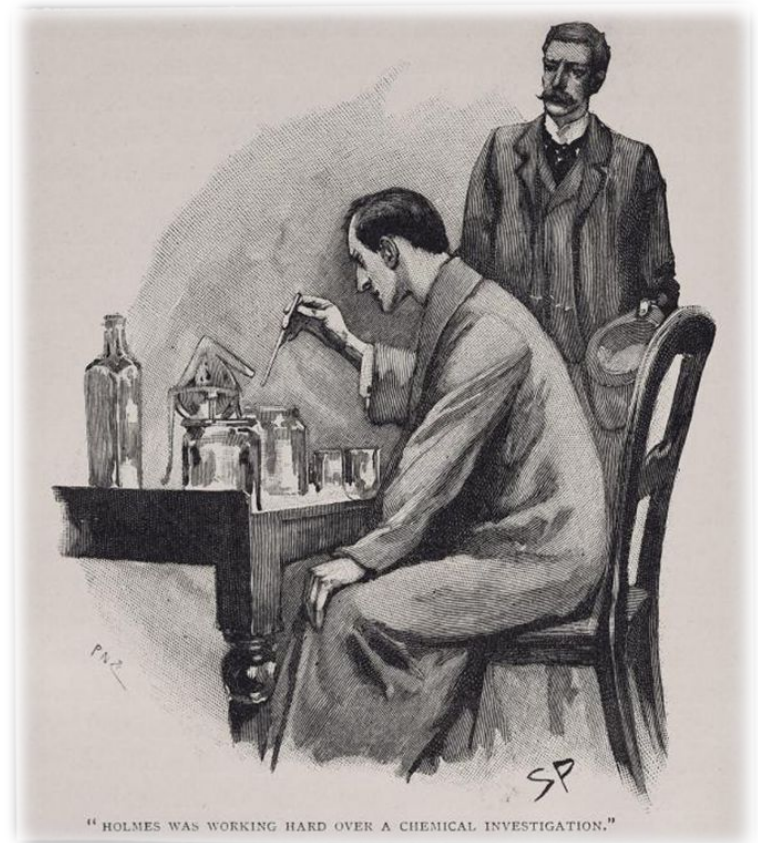
During his school years he read very much, and he often told his school friends long and interesting stories.



After finishing school Conan Doyle became a student of the medical faculty in the University of Edinburgh.

He began his medical practice in a small English town Southsea, where he spent eight years.

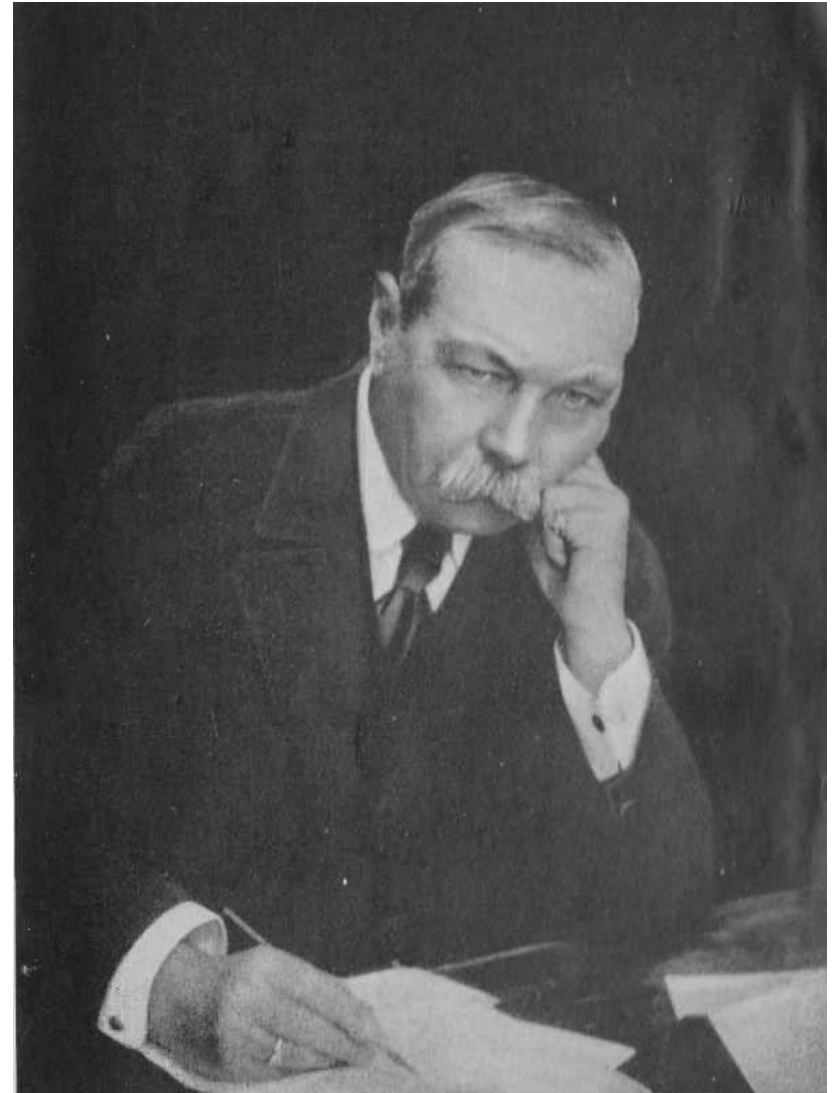
Here in 1887, he published his first detective story “A Study in Scarlet”. Its main characters were Sherlock Holmes and Dr. Watson, and they became the most popular characters of great many of Conan Doyle’s stories.



The story was published in 1891 and soon after that Baker Street became the well-known address of Sherlock Holmes. The readers asked for more and more stories about Sherlock Holmes and for two years Conan Doyle wrote them.



In 1901 one of Conan Doyle's best stories "The Hound of the Baskervilles" was published. Conan Doyle gave up his medical work in 1891 and devoted all his time to his literary activity.



He died in 1930. After his death, the famous detective Sherlock Holmes, together with his friend Dr. Watson, continued to be among the favourite characters of English literature and tourists coming to London always go to visit Baker Street to see the house where Sherlock Holmes lived.

