

Summary of Outreach Worksheets

The Arthur Conan Doyle New Edinburgh Critical Editions Research Network outreach team developed the content for the educational outreach programme.

The outreach programme is a web-based standalone further study resource, situated within www.Edinburgh-Conan-Doyle.org. It provides materials for students, book groups and to anyone interested, on the life and work of Arthur Conan Doyle.

The materials particularly encourage school students to explore Arthur Conan Doyle's writings on their own, and, through these resources, students can better understand the historical and cultural impact of Arthur Conan Doyle and his fictional characters on the nineteenth-century and beyond.

Arthur Conan Doyle's life and work is incredibly interesting for modern students as he did so much in his lifetime. His letters, newspaper articles, short stories, and books, in his roles as physician, story writer, poet, and politician created a wealth of resources. This vast array of information has enables Arthur Conan Doyle New Edinburgh Critical Editions Research Network to create 8 educational worksheets covering the following topics, Doctor, Edwardian, Journalism, Crossing Cultures, Religion, Lost Worlds, Global Citizen, and Reading his Words.

Each worksheet takes as its starting point a letter, or piece of text by Arthur Conan Doyle, through which the reader can explore the topic in depth. The readers are encouraged to not only answer the questions posed on each worksheet but discuss the wider issues surrounding each topic and to relate them to their own lives. The worksheets are designed to be used in conjunction with the Edinburgh University Press Critical Editions but can also be used alone.

For the duration of the Arthur Conan Doyle New Edinburgh Critical Editions Research Network, educators, book groups and communities will be able to contact us at edinburghconandoyle@gmail.com, we will provide resources and offer support. As well as using email to provide support we will have a twitter handle, @EdinburghDoyle, to encourage debate and further conversation.

The outreach programme has been a truly multi-agency effort and would not have been possible without the assistance of the Royal Society of Ednburgh, Edinburgh Napier University and the University of Edinburgh.