The Hound of the Baskervilles

Who is the Author?

What does the title suggest to you about the book?

When was the book first copyrighted?

Look at the front cover, what adjectives would you use to describe the story?

Read the back cover, list the clues that suggest this novel will be a mystery.

Notes:

Arthur Conan Doyle wrote short stories about the detective Sherlock Holmes and his partner Dr. Watson for a London magazine called “The Strand”.

The Hound is his only novel with these characters. This novel was also written for the magazine and it took about two years for it to be published and read (monthly excerpts in “The Strand”)

Characters

**Sherlock Holmes**: Famous London detective, well admired in society

**Dr. Watson**: An actual doctor who is Holmes’s friend and helps him on his cases

**Hugo Baskerville**: The legend/curse is based on his evil ways

**Sir Charles Baskerville**: Dead heir to the Baskerville estate, current murder mystery for Holmes and Watson

**Sir Henry Baskerville**: Recent heir to the Baskerville estate since Sir Charles has died, he is being “hunted” by the hound.

**Dr. Mortimer**: Devonshire doctor and friend to Sir Charles. Goes to Holmes to ask for his help to solve the case

**Mr. and Mrs. Barrymore**: Butler and Maid of Baskerville Hall. Their family has served the Baskervilles for generations.

**Setting: Victorian England late 1800s to 1900, London and Devonshire (coastline, farms and moors)**