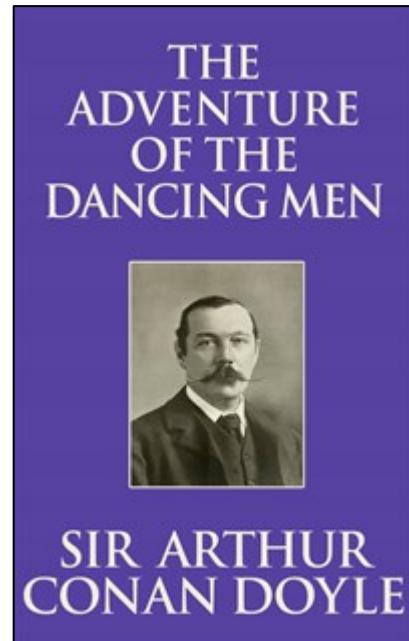


Codes!

The book called “The Adventure of the Dancing Men” by Arthur Conan Doyle is a very famous book about the detective that everyone knows called Sherlock Holmes.

The book is a murder mystery that Sherlock Holmes and his good friend Watson solve.

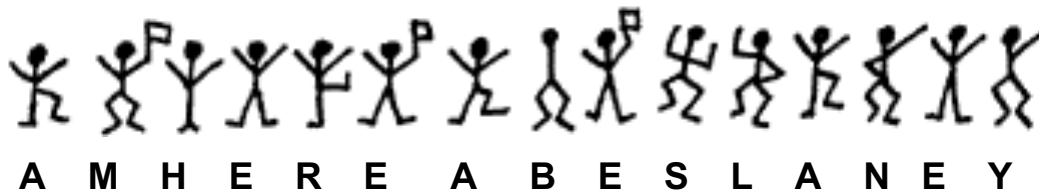
In the book there is a code.



“The Adventure of the Dancing Men” by Arthur Conan Doyle.

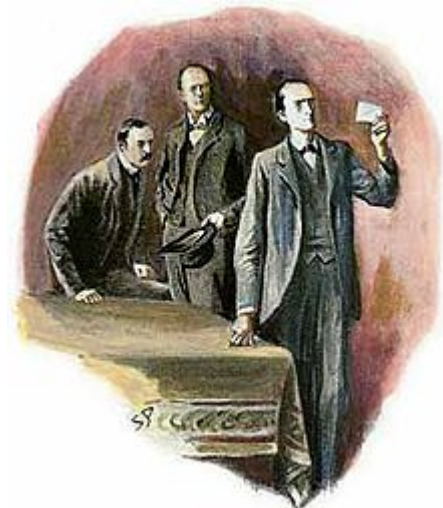
Sherlock Holmes held up the paper so that the sunlight shone full upon it.

It was a page torn from a notebook. Holmes examined it for some time. The markings were done in pencil and ran in this way:



The message is

AM HERE ABE SLANEY



“See if you can read this message Watson” said Holmes with a smile. It contained no words, but this little line of dancing men.



Task One

Try to decipher the “dancing men” code.

What does the message say?

Clues:

- ✓ The flag shows the end of a word.
- ✓ Use the answer to the first code to work out what each drawing means.



Task Two.

Here is another code from the story ‘The Adventure of the Dancing Men’.

Use the clues from Task One to break it.



What does the message say?

Answers.

Task one.

COME HERE AT ONCE

Task two.

ELSIE PREPARE TO MEET THY GOD