

Main points

- 'The Adventure of The Three Garridebs' is written by Arthur Conan Doyle. He was a famous detective story writer and creator of fictional character, Sherlock Holmes.
- 'The Adventure of the Three Garridebs' is a story about the scheme of John Garrideb who with the help of Sherlock Holmes and Dr. Watson investigates the third Garrideb.
- The American Garrideb visits Holmes and Watson as he was not happy with Nathan involving a detective.
- Garrideb created a scenario and claimed that a Kansas based millionaire, Hamilton would transfer his fifteen million dollar estate to John with a condition that he had to share it with two more Garridebs.
- Holmes doubts the story of John so he decides to contact Nathan for further investigation.
- During their visit to Nathan's house, they found a nameplate which confirmed that he was a Garrideb.
- During Holmes and Watson's visits, John Garrideb was happy because he had found out the third Garrideb and its proof was a newspaper advertisement placed by Howard Garrideb.
- Holmes finds out that the newspaper advertisement was published by John himself as it was written in an American style.
- John insists Nathan go to Birmingham to meet Howard Garrideb.
- John Garrideb's true identity is revealed when an inspector shows him a bunch of photographs in which he was named John Winter, Alias Killer Evans.
- John Winter had killed Rodger Presbury, a forger, whose description was similar to a former inhabitant of Nathan's house.
- Holmes and Watson go to Garrideb's house where they find John Winter secretly opening a trapdoor.
- In a round of fire shots, Watson was hit in the leg and in turn Holmes struck Evan with the gun's

butt.

- Holmes and Watson open up the trapdoor which leads to the cellar. It had a printing press and counterfeit (fake) banknotes, hidden by Presbury.
- The criminal John Winter was sent to prison.

MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS

1. **What type of writing is 'The Adventure of the Three Garridebs'?**
 - a. A script
 - b. A Novel
 - c. A short story
 - d. A poem
2. **Who wrote the story 'The Adventure of the Three Garridebs'?**
 - a. Mark Twain
 - b. Arthur Conan Doyle
 - c. Jhumpa Lahiri
 - d. Mulk Raj Anand
3. **Who is the narrator of the story 'The Adventure of the Three Garridebs'?**
 - a. Watson
 - b. Holmes
 - c. John Garrideb
 - d. Nathan Garrideb
4. **Who is Sherlock Holmes?**
 - a. Teacher
 - b. Detective
 - c. Nurse
 - d. Doctor
5. **From whom did Holmes receive a letter?**
 - a. Howard Garrideb
 - b. Alexander Hamilton Garrideb
 - c. John Garrideb
 - d. Nathan Garrideb
6. **Who was the second Garrideb Holmes came to know?**
 - a. John Garrideb
 - b. Nathan Garrideb
 - c. Howard Garrideb
 - d. Alexander Hamilton Garrideb
7. **Who was John Garrideb?**
 - a. A counsellor at law
 - b. A Doctor
 - c. A millionaire

- d. A detective
8. **What task did Alexander Hamilton Garrideb assign to John?**
- To find another Garrideb
 - To find Sherlock Holmes
 - To find hidden wealth
 - To find a key
9. **In how many parts was the property of Alexander Hamilton Garrideb divided?**
- Two
 - Four
 - Five
 - Three
10. **How much each of the Garrideb was to get?**
- Two million dollars
 - Five million dollars
 - Ten million dollars
 - Three million dollars
11. **Who was the Mayor of Topeka in 1890?**
- Howard Garrideb
 - Sherlock Holmes
 - Mrs Saunders
 - Dr.Lysander Starr
12. **How long has Nathan been in the house?**
- Nearly two years
 - Nearly three years
 - Nearly four years
 - Nearly five years
13. **Holmes's cross-examination with Nathan was interrupted by-**
- John Garrideb
 - Nathan Garrideb
 - Howard Garrideb
 - Watson
14. **Who was Mrs.Saunders?**
- Caretaker
 - Doctor
 - Counsellor
 - Servant
15. **James Winter, Alias Morecroft, Alias Killer Evans are names of-**
- Watson
 - Sherlock holmes
 - John Garrideb
 - Rodger Presbury
16. **Killer Evans was native of-**
- Topeka
 - London
 - Waterloo
 - Chicago
17. **Killer Evans was known to have shot..... men in the states.**
- Six
 - Three
 - Two
 - Four
18. **Who was shot over cards in a nightclub in Waterloo Road in January 1895?**
- Watson
 - James Winter
 - Howard Garrideb
 - Rodger Presbury
19. **Who killed Rodger Presbury?**
- John Garrideb
 - Nathan Garrideb
 - Howard Garrideb
 - None of these
20. **Who was Rodger Presbury?**
- Client of Holmes
 - Friend of Evans
 - Forger and Coiner
 - Tenant of Holmes
21. **Who was the caretaker of Nathan Garrideb's house?**
- Waldron
 - Mrs Hudson
 - Mrs Saunders
 - Evans
22. **.....was last heard of' at a nursing home in Brixton?**
- John Garrideb
 - Nathan Garrideb
 - Mrs Hudson
 - Holmes
23. **Which Garrideb has multiple aliases in 'The Adventure of the Three Garridebs'?**
- Howard Garrideb
 - Alexander Hamilton Garrideb
 - John Garrideb
 - Nathan Garrideb
24. **Why did John Garrideb scheme to search through Nathan Garrideb's home in 'The Adventure of the Three Garridebs'?**
- John knew of the counterfeit loot in Nathan's
 - Nathan had a valuable collection of oddities
 - John wanted to make sure Nathan was a true Garrideb
 - Nathan was a long-lost family member.
25. **The wittiest character in 'The Adventure of the Three Garridebs' is-**

- a. Watson
- b. Mrs Hudson
- c. Sherlock Holmes
- d. John Garrideb

ANSWER KEY

1-c, 2-b, 3-a, 4-b, 5-d, 6-a, 7-a, 8-a, 9-d, 10-b, 11-d, 12-d 13-a, 14-a, 15-c 16-d, 17-b, 18-d 19-a 20-c, 21-c, 22-b, 23-c 24-a, 25-c

VERY SHORT QUESTIONS

1. Who is the author of the story 'The Adventure of the Three Garridebs' ?

Ans. 'The Adventure of the Three Garridebs' is written by Arthur Conan Doyle.

2. Who is the narrator of 'The Adventure of the Three Garridebs'?

Ans. Dr. Watson is the narrator of The Adventure of the Three Garridebs.

3. Which month of the year is the narrator talking about?

Ans. The narrator is talking about the month of June.

4. In the story which war was concluded in 1902?

Ans. In 1902 the South African war ended.

5. Who was John Garrideb?

Ans. John Garrideb was the counsellor at law.

6. How many Garrideb surnames were required according to the will?

Ans. Three Garrideb surnames were required according to the will.

7. In the story, the will belonged to whom?

Ans. In the story, the will belonged to Alexander Hamilton Garrideb.

8. What is peculiar about Mr. Nathan Garrideb?

Ans. Mr. Nathan Garrideb is an abnormal old man who collects old things from coins to even bones.

9. What was the real identity of John Garrideb?

Ans. John Garrideb was a criminal whose real name was Killer Evans.

10. What was Rodger Presbury and how did he die?

Ans. Rodger Presbury was a forger and coiner in Chicago. He was shot by Killer Evans.

SHORT QUESTIONS

1. Give a brief introduction of John Garrideb.

Ans. John Garrideb was a counsellor at law. He was a short, powerful man having round, fresh, clean shaven face just like an American. His activities were childlike. He was a young man having a broad smile upon his face. His eyes were catchy. He was alert and responsive to any thought of action.

2. What did John Garrideb tell Holmes about Mr. Alexander Hamilton Garrideb?

Ans. John Garrideb informs Holmes about Alexander Hamilton that he was a reputed person in Kansas. He has made money in real estate and he has purchased large areas of land. Hamilton had no children and that is why he wanted to distribute his property among three Garridebs. He wanted John Garrideb to find two more Garridebs.

3. How can you say that Watson was a true friend of Holmes?

Ans. Watson was a true friend of Holmes. He was a friend, an assistant and a companion for all the times. He always accompanies Holmes wherever he goes. He is ready to face dangers for his sake. When Evans shoots a bullet at him, he faces the circumstances very boldly.

4. What do you know about Nathan Garrideb?

Ans. Nathan Garrideb was an old man aged around sixty. He is the first of the Garrideb men who reaches out to Sherlock Holmes. He has a peculiar habit of collecting old things like coins, bones etc.

5. Who was Rodger Presbury and how was he connected to John Garrideb?

Ans. Rodger Presbury was a man who was shot by John Garrideb in a night club on the Waterloo Road in January 1895. He resembled Waldron, the previous tenant in Nathan Garrideb's room who owned the note printing press.

LONG QUESTIONS

1. Who was John Garrideb? What was his purpose of fabricating the story of Alexander Hamilton Garrideb and his legacy?

Ans. John Garrideb was a notorious criminal. He made a strong plan to achieve his purpose. But it is truly said that even the shrewd criminals leave behind some clues. John Garrideb was very well aware about a note printing machine below the room of Nathan Garrideb. The printing machine belonged

to Rodger Presbury whom he had shot earlier in a night club. In order to acquire the machine he made a plan related to Alexander Hamilton Garrideb and his legacy. He wanted Nathan Garrideb to be out of the house so that he could easily have access to it.

2. The cleverest of criminals leave behind clues to their crime. Discuss.

Ans. It is true that the cleverest of criminals leave behind some clues which leads the investigating agencies to catch them. In the story, 'The Adventure of the Three Garridebs', John Garrideb made a very strong plan yet Sherlock Holmes was able to find some loopholes in it through his sharp intelligence and caught the criminal. John Garrideb pretended to be an American but his appearance was that of a British. Holmes was doubtful and therefore he carried on with his investigation. Holmes trapped him when he mentions an imaginary man, Dr. Lydgate Starr as a Mayor in 1830 and John Garrideb answers his questions with a great conviction. All such clues led Holmes to confirm him as a criminal and finally he arrests him.

3. Why didn't John Garrideb like the idea of including Holmes in the hunt for the third Garrideb?

Ans. John Garrideb framed a scheme through which he can acquire the property of Alexander Hamilton Garrideb worth fifteen million dollars. He knew that Holmes was a renowned and an intelligent detective. He was afraid that Holmes and Watson will suspect his motives and that can risk his plan. Moreover, he had a background of a serious criminal and that is why he didn't want the involvement of a detective in his search for the third Garrideb.