

Spotlight Guide 2025-2026



Sherlock Holmes and Doctor Watson journey to the English countryside to investigate the mysterious case of the Baskerville family. One by one the male heirs are dropping dead. But why? And who—or what—is responsible? In this hilarious and madcap take on the most famous detective of all time, a trio of actors play a dozen roles in a production that is a master class in funny and perfect for the Halloween season.

Vocabulary

Learn to speak like a "knackered toff" from 19th century Scotland.

Write a Review

After seeing the production, have each student write a review of Orlando Shakes' production. The review should include one paragraph each for acting, design and special effects.

Discussion & Themes

This is a comic telling of a spooky story. Did it maintain any of the spookiness?

See the full study guide for expanded activities.

Florida Standards

Language Arts

ELA.6-12.RL.1.1
ELA.912.R.1.2
ELA.912.R.3.2
ELA.912.R.3.3
ELA.912.R.3.1
ELA.912.R.2.3
ELA.912.C.1.3
ELA.912.C.1.4
ELA.912.C.2.1
ELA.912.C.2.2

Theatre

TH.912.F.2.2
TH.912.C.1.3
TH.912.C.2.1
TH.912.S.1.4
TH.912.H.1.5
TH.912.H.3.3
TH.68.S.1.1
ELA.912.R.1.1 / R.3.1
ELA.912.R.1.1 / R.3.1



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Language, Use of Alcohol, Use of Tobacco, Men as Female Characters, Violence

Most appropriate for Grade 8 and up. Children under 5 will not be admitted to the theater.