The Norwood Builder and Other Stories
Sir Arthur Conan Doyle

Background Information
1 T, 2 F, 3 T, 4 F, 5 NG, 6 T, 7 NG, 8 T, 9 F, 10 F, 11 T, 12 F, 13 F, 14 F, 15 T, 16 NG

Multiple Choice
1 1 7 3 13 1 19 1
2 1, 4 8 4 14 4 20 2
3 1, 4 9 4 15 3 21 3
4 4 10 2 16 4 22 4
5 2 11 1, 2 17 2
6 3 12 2 18 2

Vocabulary: Crime and the law
1 executed 5 trial 9 accomplice
2 investigate 6 burglary 10 forge
3 charged, proved 7 alibi, committed 11 legal
4 evidence 8 jury 12 blackmail

Vocabulary: Business, finance and work
1 clerk 6 applied 7 deal
2 financial 8 securities 9 shares
3 firm 10 manager
4 stock market 5 colleagues

Useful Phrases
1 break his mother's heart 1 break his mother's heart
2 broke off her engagement 2 feared the worst
3 fear the worst 3 waste his time
4 do his duty 4 broken off her engagement
5 make trouble 5 take revenge
6 have his own way 6 have his own way
7 take revenge 7 make trouble
8 waste his time 8 did his duty
Grammar: Active/passive forms

1. explained, had disappeared
2. was written, thought
3. read, had been murdered
4. asked, had happened, allowed
5. was stabbed, believed, had caught
6. knew, had been moved
7. will be ruined, isn’t found
8. was made

Grammar: Past modal verbs of deduction

1. McFarlane must have killed Oldacre.
2. Oldacre must have got a copy of McFarlane’s fingerprint by asking him to press his finger into some wax to seal a letter.
3. Oldacre’s housekeeper must have helped him to carry out his plan.
4. The pieces of burnt flesh could have come from rabbits.
5. John Mitton can’t have been the murderer.
6. No one except Lady Hilda could have taken the letter.
7. The servants can’t have taken the letter.
8. Pinner must have asked Hall Pycroft to write the letter so that his brother could later forge his handwriting.

Grammar: Direct and indirect speech

1. The king told Holmes he had travelled secretly from Prague to consult him.
2. Holmes told the king that they would keep his secret.
3. Holmes asked the king if/whether Irene Adler was his legal wife.
4. Holmes asked the king if/whether he had tried to buy the photograph back.
5. Mr Norton said that he was getting married and (he) couldn’t get married without a witness.
6. Holmes asked the king why Miss Adler hadn’t made the photograph public already.
7. Holmes said that he was sure he had heard that/the voice before.
8. Irene said that she wouldn’t make the photograph public unless the king tried to make trouble for her.

Making Questions

1. Where did Mr Trelawney Hope live?
   Who lived in Whitehall Terrace?
2. Where was his dispatch box kept?
   What was kept on a small table beside his bed?
3. How long was the dispatch box unguarded?
   What was unguarded for four hours?
4. What was the foreign ruler worried about?
   Who was worried about British policy?
5 Who murdered Eduardo Lucas?
   Who did Madame Fournaye murder?
   Why did Madame Fournaye murder Eduardo Lucas?

6 Who showed the policeman a photograph of Lady Hilda?
   What did Holmes show the policeman?
   Who did Holmes show a photograph of Lady Hilda to? / To whom did Holmes show a photograph of Lady Hilda?