The Quest For Sherlock Holmes: A Biographical Study Of Arthur Conan Doyle

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Sherlock Holmes is probably the best known character in world literature. Even more remarkable is the fact that the response to Holmes in the popular press, which was almost immediate, has never slackened. An unending barrage of comment on the Holmes stories has continuously appeared in newspapers and magazines in England and America for 100 years. In The Quest for Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, Jon L. Lellenberg gathers a group of Doyle scholars to assess both biographical studies and Doyle's autobiographical writings. Lellenberg begins and ends the book with his own essays on the problems of Doyle biography; then the contributors focus on individual studies. The best known and most readable of these is John Dickson Carr's The Life of Sir Arthur Conan Doyle (1949).