

Whodunnit?

The Case of the Broken Vase

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104 been dusting the corners of the house.

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112 broken the vase.



Questions



1. Find and copy **two** words which show you that the sapphire vase was worth a lot of money.



2. What shape was the Swaggerty house?



3. Why do you think the author chose not to reveal who had broken the vase?



4. Who do you think broke the vase? Explain your answer.

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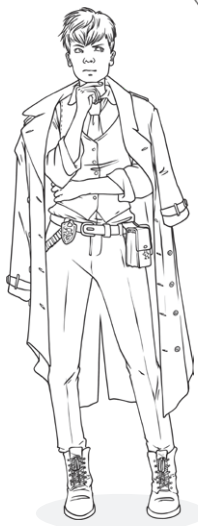
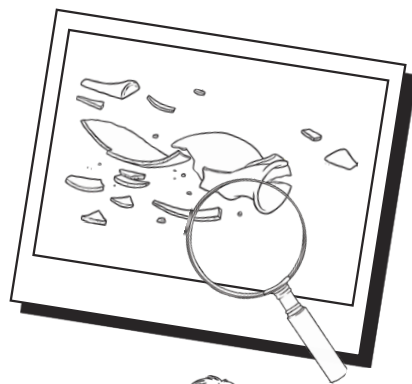
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Answers



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2. What shape was the Swaggerty house?

The Swaggerty house was a perfect circle.



3. Why do you think the author chose not to reveal who had broken the vase?

Pupils' own responses, such as: I think that the author chose not to reveal the answer so that it is more interesting for the reader to work it out.



4. Who do you think broke the vase? Explain your answer.

Pupils' own responses, such as: I think that Scott broke the vase because he said that he had been dusting the corners but there aren't any as it says that the house is a perfect circle.