



Bestsellers  
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influenced by Poe's detective Dupin,  
Conan Doyle invented the **rational and deductive Sherlock Holmes**

*Sherlock Holmes*  
(1887-1927)

very rational detective,  
who follows the **scientific method** to solve cases

two souls of Victorian Age:  
**positivist and decadent**,  
embodied by Holmes

same **pattern of stories**:  
beginning, climax,  
solution thanks to  
Holmes's deductive skills

Dr Watson is Holmes's  
alter ego and also his  
completion