## The Man with the Golden Gun

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- 1 (a) False. Bond had been sent to get intelligence from the Japanese about the Soviet Union.
  - (b) True. The job 'had gone badly wrong'.
  - (c) False. Bond had disappeared and no one knew what had happened to him.
  - (d) False. Colonel Boris worked for the KGB.
  - 2 Captain Walker of the British Secret Service asked the question. Bond replied by asking to speak to M or his secretary, Miss Moneypenny.
  - 3 The first button started to record the telephone conversation and the second button sent a message to the Special Branch of the police.
  - 4 The material of Bond's coat was tested in a laboratory. This test showed that the coat had been bought in London the day before. An X-ray photo was taken of Bond as he walked along the corridor. It showed that he was carrying a gun.
- 2 1 Although the Chief of Staff believed that the man was James Bond, he thought that Bond's behaviour was very strange and suspected that the KGB had brainwashed him.
  - 2 It was a special glass wall that quickly dropped down from the ceiling when a button was pressed. When M pressed the button it dropped down and protected M from Bond's attack.
  - 3 Because they realized that they had caught an important British secret agent.
  - 4 Because it showed that Bond had been brainwashed and was identifying with the KGB. Other examples of Bond's strange behaviour include smiling strangely at Miss Moneypenny, speaking slowly, looking uncomfortable, staring and having a pale face.
  - 5 He decided to send Bond on a very difficult mission. This was to test him to make sure that he was well enough and reliable enough to work as a secret agent again.
- **3** 1 (a) five
  - (b) the Man with the Golden Gun, because he always carried a golden gun
  - (c) Cuba
  - 2 The word 'removed' here means assassinated, or killed. The writer used the euphemism, or softer word, because it sounds less violent.
  - 3 He was probably thinking about all the options he had, and which option would be the best one for Bond and for the Secret Service. He knew the mission was dangerous and he was trying to decide whether Bond would be successful or be killed while he was carrying out the mission.
- 4 1 He found a message addressed to Francisco Scaramanga, the man he was trying to find. The message was important because it told Bond when and where he would be able to find Scaramanga.
  - 2 Savanna-La-Mar, a town in the south of Jamaica.
  - 3 He was planning to go to Savanna-La-Mar to find Scaramanga.

- 4 (a) 3 Fidel Castro wants to sell as much sugar cane as possible to Russia.
  - (b) 1 Tony Hugill represents the West Indian Sugar Company, which has a sugar-growing estate at Frome. Jamaica.
  - (c) 2 Commander Ross had travelled to Trinidad the week before to look for Scaramanga.
- 5 1 Possible answer: '... he often kills them.' She did not complete the sentence probably because she did not want to scare Bond.
  - 2 Because the man matched the description Bond had been given, and because he was wearing a tie pin in the shape of a golden gun, the name he was known as.
  - 3 It was a tense meeting. Both men knew that the other carried a gun. Scaramanga shot the two birds probably to show Bond what he was capable of. He was suspicious of Bond, so he was unfriendly and aggressive towards him. Bond was being careful to play the part of Mark Hazard and not let Scaramanga know that he was a British spy.
- 6 1 Because Bond knew that Scaramanga had worked in a circus when he was younger and had had a bad experience there. He was trying to unnerve and annoy Scaramanga.
  - 2 Scaramanga sat on the metal chair, facing the wrong way. He was using the back of the chair as protection in case Bond tried to shoot him. The way Scaramanga used the chair showed Bond that he knew a lot about using guns.
  - 3 (c) He carried a gun. He did not tell Scaramanga his real name or occupation, or that he knew who Scaramanga was.
  - 4 Bond was referring to the Thunderbird Hotel a new hotel that Scaramanga and his business partners were building. There weren't many tourists coming to Jamaica, so the hotel was not making much money. Scaramanga and his partners had run out of money, so they were not able to finish building the hotel. They could not sell it easily because the tourist industry was not doing well.
  - 5 Bond had spent six weeks trying to find Scaramanga in order to kill him. Now that Bond had found him, Scaramanga was offering him a large sum of money to act as his bodyguard and therefore to protect him.
- 7 1 To always know exactly where he was and what his escape route was, and to have a means of communicating with the outside world.
  - 2 He found a small microphone inside the phone. He did not do anything with it he left it exactly as he had found it.
  - 3 He did not know who Scaramanga was working for and he was not sure how he was going to kill him.
  - 4 (a) Bond woke up at half-past seven.
    - (b) Scaramanga had told Bond to meet him at 10 am.
    - (c) Scaramanga's business partners were going to start arriving at midday.
    - (d) There was going to be a general meeting at about 4 pm.
  - 5 The men were Mr Hendriks, Sam Binion, Leroy Gengerella, Ruby Rotkopf, Hal Garfinkel and Louie Paradise. They were Scaramanga's business partners. Scaramanga had asked them to come to a meeting to discuss the finances of the Thunderbird Hotel project.

- 8 1 He felt that he had fully recovered from the brainwashing that the KGB had done to him. He also knew that his mission was really about to begin, and that he was ready for it.
  - 2 Bond saw that Scaramanga treated Hendriks differently from the other men. Scaramanga was usually arrogant and self-important, but with Hendriks he was more polite and respectful. Bond also noticed Hendriks and Scaramanga talking quietly away from the other men.
  - 3 The man was Felix Leiter, a member of the CIA. Bond and Leiter had worked together on several previous missions.
  - 4 Because he knew he was not working on the mission alone.
- 9 1 (a) the KGB Hendriks was an important member of it
  - (b) the CIA Nick Nicholson was an undercover electronics expert
  - (c) the Mafia
  - 2 He used the glass as a sort of microphone. He placed it against the conference room door, put his ear against it and listened to the conversation that was taking place in the next room.
  - 3 Ross had been killed by Scaramanga ten days earlier. Scaramanga said that Ross' body was in an oil lake in Trinidad.
  - 4 Ruby Rotkopf was shot by Scaramanga because he was refusing to put more money into the hotel development.
  - 5 He had heard the gunshot when Scaramanga killed Rotkopf and had heard Scaramanga say that he might kill Bond and feed him to the crocodiles.
- 10 1 James Bond, Felix Leiter and Nick Nicholson. They were referring to the recording of the conversation and the shooting that had taken place in the conference room.
  - 2 Bond was bored, the other men were ignoring him and he was not enjoying the evening. He said he had a headache as an excuse to leave the dinner early.
  - 3 He used the gun to shoot at a false pineapple that was part of the singer's costume. He gave the hundred-dollar note to the singer.
  - 4 (a) When Bond shot the pineapple, the girl fainted. She put her hands to her face and fell down onto the floor. Later, she accepted the hundred-dollar note, gave Bond a horrified glance and ran off the stage.
    - (b) They were frightened. First, they stopped playing the music immediately. Later, they laughed nervously and one of them ran after the singer.
    - (c) He gave Bond a long, questioning look and pushed his gun back into the waistband of his trousers.
  - 5 They probably represented Scaramanga, Gengerella and Mr Hendriks. Bond had heard them planning to take Rotkopf's body to the crocodiles in the swamps. He was probably having a nightmare about it.
- 11 The first unexpected visitor was Mary Goodnight. Bond helped her to climb through the hotel room window. The second unexpected visitor was Scaramanga. He came from his room through a secret door inside Bond's wardrobe.
  - 2 He did not want his conversation with Mary Goodnight to be picked up by the microphone he had found inside the telephone, so he turned the taps on so that the sound of the water would cover the sound of their voices.

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- 3 The message was that a top KGB man, Hendriks, was at the hotel. Bond had to stay away from him, because Hendriks' job was to find and kill Bond. The message was from the Headquarters of the British Secret Service.
- 4 He asked Mary Goodnight to tell Headquarters that she had delivered the message, that Bond was at the hotel and that there were two CIA men there as well.
- 5 Scaramanga warned him that if he found out Bond had been lying about his identity, he would kill him.
- 1 Hendriks told him that the man they knew as Mark Hazard was actually James Bond, the British secret agent.
  - 2 Bond heard Scaramanga say that he was going to kill him later the same day.
  - 3 Scaramanga was involved in the sabotage of the Jamaican aluminium industry. He had arranged for barrels of explosives to be hidden inside several aluminium mines, probably in order to blow up the mines and damage the industry. The KGB wanted to cause harm to the trade in aluminium.
- 13 (a) a special vehicle pulled by a steam engine which carries the engine's coal and water supplies
  - (b) a railway vehicle which has a handbrake that is used to stop the train
  - (c) the control that regulates the power of the engine and allows the train to either speed up or slow down
  - 2 He would be able to see everything that happened in the carriages and in the engine. He would also be able to stop the train if he wanted and prevent other people from operating the brake.
  - 3 (a) the distance from the hotel to the railway station
    - (b) the distance from the station, through the sugar cane fields and swampland to Green Island Harbour
    - (c) the length of ground covered by sugar cane fields before Middle River
    - (d) the distance ahead of the train that a large bird flew up from the swampland
    - (e) the fine for killing a John Crow, a protected bird
  - 4 There were four gunshots. Two hit their target (the bird) and two missed (Bond).
- **14** 1 e, c, d, a, b, f
  - 2 False. A shop window dummy had been tied across the line, but Bond was expected to think it was Mary Goodnight.
  - 3 He meant he would be surprised if Bond ever got hurt. Bond always avoided being hurt.
  - 4 Bond, Leiter and Scaramanga jumped off the train. Scaramanga landed nearest the bridge and Bond landed the furthest away from it. Leiter landed somewhere between the two.
  - 5 Five Hendriks, Leroy Gengerella, Sam Binion, Hal Garfinkel and Louie Paradise. Two of them, Hendriks and Gengerella, had already been shot dead.

- 15 1 He had a knife, which he threw away from him into the ground, and a tiny golden handgun, which he used to shoot at Bond.
  - 2 False. Bond thought that Scaramanga was still 'very much alive' and dangerous. He watched Scaramanga closely and saw that although he was bleeding he was not fatally injured.
  - 3 Margesson was probably one of the British secret agents that Scaramanga had killed.
  - 4 He offered to give Bond a million dollars in return for his freedom.
- 1 A doctor in Savanna-La-Mar had recognized the symptoms of snake venom poisoning and had given Bond some injections to save his life.
  - 2 The Prime Minister had asked for the meeting. It was a judicial inquiry to find out what had happened and to make sure that justice had been done before the case was closed.
  - 3 They had not told the Jamaican authorities about the mission. The Commissioner wanted to take some credit for the success of the mission, so he lied and said that Bond and Leiter had been 'working very closely' with the Jamaican authorities. This meant that Bond and Leiter would not get into trouble.
  - 4 Leiter was referring to previous missions when he had worked with Bond. On previous missions, he had lost his right arm and part of his left leg to a shark. On this mission, he broke his leg when he jumped from the train.
- 17 Bond was feeling frustrated and impatient because he had had enough of being in the hospital.

  Mary Goodnight was feeling excited as she had some important news to share with Bond.
  - 2 Bond was delighted by M's words of congratulations and appreciation. However, he was not interested in medals or being able to write special letters after his name because he valued his privacy. He therefore decided to refuse the knighthood.
  - 3 Bond had refused an honour which everyone had been expecting him to accept. She also thought that the reply Bond dictated was rude and inappropriate.