



excerpt from the ***The Red Headed League***

by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle

"Try the settee," said Holmes, relapsing into his armchair and putting his fingertips together, as was his custom when in judicial moods. "I know, my dear Watson, that you share my love of all that is bizarre and outside the conventions and humdrum routine of everyday life. You have shown your relish for it by the enthusiasm which has prompted you to chronicle, and, if you will excuse my saying so, somewhat to embellish so many of my own little adventures."

What clues from the text helps the reader understand the meanings of the underlined words?

With a partner, discuss what you think the underlined words mean.

Use a dictionary to check the meanings that you and your partner discussed.