**Discussion ideas for …**

**Red Leech: Young Sherlock Holmes by Andrew Lane**

* On pages 84-85, Sherlock talks about progress. Remembering that this book is set during the Victorian era before any of these things happened, discuss what you think it would have been like to live during this period and how things have changed.
* Sherlock sails to America on the SS Scotia. What do you think it would be like to travel for 8 days in the conditions described?
* Duke Balthassar plans to invade Canada because he believes it will forward his cause and what he believes in. Do you see any difference between this and what the settlers in America did towards the indigenous people?