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Answer key

Comprehension 2

- **1** C
- **2** A
- **3** (i) phone
 - (ii) clumsily/awkwardly
 - (iii) quickly/proficiently
 - (iv) frequently/regularly
- **4** a) i) moved to a cheap basement office (any reasonable answer)
 - ii) cut employees down to one assistant (any reasonable answer)
 - b) business had been slow/he did not have enough money (any reasonable answer)
- **5** (i) Fight prejudice against redheads
 - (ii) Social media marketer
 - (iii) Manage our/the charity's social media account
 - (iv) (Have) red hair
 - (v) Mr Andrews
- 6 entail
- **7** B
- 8 i) Sherlock bursts out laughing because he finds Mr Wilson's story silly. (any reasonable answer)
 - ii) It makes Mr Wilson feel embarrassed. (any reasonable answer)
- **9** Sherlock calls 999/the police.
- 10 The writer does not understand how/is amazed that Sherlock solved the case. (any reasonable answer)
- **11** He finds it easy/simple. (any reasonable answer)
- He pretended to visit the wrong address to look at Spaulding's trousers. (any reasonable answer)
 - ii) He stomped on the ground to determine the direction of the tunnel. (any reasonable answer)
- **13** (i) recommend the ridiculous job (at the Red-Headed League) to Mr Wilson
 - (ii) to keep him away from his office

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- (iii) Why did Mr Andrews need Mr Wilson's office/keep Mr Wilson out of his office?
- (iv) to rob the City Bank
- 14 Spaulding and Mr Andrews
- 15 (i) scrutinizing
 - (ii) enterprise
 - (iii) demeanour
 - (iv) betrays
 - (v) motive