



## Studies of a Serpent's Head

**Catalogue Number**  
HMF 157

**Artwork Type**  
Drawing

**Date**  
1922-24

**Dimensions**  
paper: 224 x 172 mm

**Medium**  
pencil

**Paper Support**  
cream lightweight laid

**Signature**  
unsigned, undated

**Inscriptions**  
pencil top of page Snake-head of serpent. -; l.c. Woman in Corsham

**Ownership**

The Henry Moore Foundation: gift of the artist 1977

### More Information

Notebook No.3 p.209. No source has been found for the head of the serpent on the right, but Moore called it 'a bit Mexican'. The woman at lower right on the verso may be linked to a 1927 terracotta Woman Combing her Hair, LH 40. 'Hopton Wood' in the inscription is a stone in which Moore carved three early works, LH 19, 22 and 23.