

MYSTERY BOOKS FOR TEENS



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Barnes, J. The Naturals
Seventeen-year-old Cassie, who has a natural ability to read people, joins an elite group of criminal profilers at the FBI in order to help solve cold cases.

Carter, A. Heist Society
A group of teenagers use their combined talents to re-steal several priceless paintings and save fifteen-year-old Kat Bishop's father, himself an international art thief, from a vengeful collector.

Cook, E. The Hanging Girl
When a seemingly harmless prank turns deadly, seventeen-year-old Skye Thorn realizes the people she's involved with are willing to kill to get what they want, she must discover their true identities before it's too late.

Ehrenhaft, D. Dirty Laundry
Carli, a teen actress who has gone undercover at a New England boarding school in order to research a role, hooks up with a student graffiti artist to investigate the disappearance of another of the school's pupils.

Gavin, R. Knightley & Son
A father and son detective team investigates the mystery surrounding a book that makes its readers commit terrible crimes, and a sinister organization known as the Combination.

Giles, G. Shattering Glass
When Rob, the charismatic leader of the senior class, turns the school nerd into Prince Charming, his actions lead to unexpected violence.

Green, J. Paper Towns
Quentin Jacobsen, 17, has been in love with his next-door neighbor, Margo, for his entire life. He takes a rare risk when Margo appears at his window in the middle of the night. They drive around righting wrongs via her brilliant, elaborate pranks. Then she runs away (again). He slowly uncovers the depth of her unhappiness and the vast differences between the real and imagined Margo.

Haddon, M. The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time
Despite his overwhelming fear of interacting with people, Christopher, a mathematically-gifted, autistic fifteen-year-old boy, decides to investigate the murder of a neighbor's dog and uncovers secret information about his mother.

Henry, A. The Girl I Used to Be
Olivia's parents were killed fourteen years ago. Now, new evidence reopens the case and she finds herself involved.

Horowitz, A. South by Southeast: a Diamond Brothers Mystery
Fourteen-year-old Nick and his bumbling detective brother Tim Diamond investigate a mystery involving international spies and assassins.

Johnson, M. The Name of the Star
Rory, of Benouville, Louisiana, is spending a year at a London boarding school when she witnesses a murder by a Jack the Ripper copycat and becomes involved with the very unusual investigation.

Johnson, M. Truly Devious
When Stevie Bell, an amateur detective, begins her first year at a famous private school in Vermont, she sets a plan to solve

the cold case involving the kidnapping of the founder's wife and daughter shortly after the school opened.

Lockhart, E. We Were Liars

Spending the summers on her family's private island off the coast of Massachusetts with her cousins and a special boy named Gat, teenage Cadence struggles to remember what happened during her fifteenth summer.

Lyga, B. I Hunt Killers

Seventeen-year-old Jazz learned all about being a serial killer from his notorious "Dear Old Dad." Believing he has a conscience that will help fight his own urges and right some of his father's wrongs, he secretly helps the police apprehend the town's newest murderer, "The Impressionist." In doing so, he discovers that he may have more in common with his father than he thought.

Maniscalco, K. Stalking Jack the Ripper

A gothic murder mystery set in gritty Victorian-era London, where an intrepid society girl finds herself embroiled in the investigation of a serial killer known as Jack the Ripper.

McKay, K. The Assassin Game

At Cate's isolated boarding school, Killer Game is a tradition. Only a select few are invited to play. They must avoid being killed by a series of thrilling pranks, and identify the murderer. But this time, it's different: the game stops feeling fake and starts getting dangerous and Cate's the next target. Can they find the culprit before it's too late?

McManus, K. One Of Us Is Lying

When the creator of a high school gossip app mysteriously dies in front of four high-profile students all four become suspects. It's up to them to solve the case.

Mele, D. People Like Us

When a girl is found dead at her elite boarding school, soccer-star Kay Donovan follows a scavenger hunt which implicates suspects increasingly close to her, unraveling her group of popular friends and perfectly constructed life.

Priest, C. The Agony House

In the attic of the old house her mother plans on turning into a bed-and-breakfast, seventeen-year-old Denise finds a mysterious comic book that may hold the answer to why terrifying things are happening in the house.

Raskin, E. The Westing Game

The mysterious death of an eccentric millionaire brings together an unlikely assortment of heirs who must uncover the circumstances of his death before they can claim their inheritance.

Sepetys, R. Out of the Easy

Josie, the seventeen-year-old daughter of a French Quarter prostitute strives to escape 1950 New Orleans and enroll at prestigious Smith College when she becomes entangled in a murder investigation.

Shepard, S. Pretty Little Liars

When one of their tightly-knit group mysteriously disappears, four high school girls find their friendship difficult to maintain when they begin receiving taunting messages from someone who seems to know everything about their past and present secrets.

Staunton, T. Who I'm Not

Danny has survived everything life has thrown at him: being abandoned at birth, multiple abusive foster homes, life as a con man in training. But when his latest "protector" dies suddenly, Danny has to think fast or he'll be back in foster care again. He decides to assume the identity of a boy who disappeared three years before. If nothing else, he figures it will buy him a little time. Much to his astonishment, his new "family" accepts him as their own—despite the fact that he looks nothing like their missing relative. But one old cop has his suspicions about Danny—and he's not about to declare the case closed

Summers, C. Sadie

Told from the alternating perspectives of nineteen-year-old Sadie who runs away from her isolated small Colorado town to find her younger sister's killer, and a true crime podcast exploring Sadie's disappearance.

Tromly, S. Trouble is a Friend of Mine

After her parents' divorce, Zoe Webster moves from Brooklyn to upstate New York where she meets a weirdly compelling misfit, Philip Digby, and soon finds herself in a series of hilarious and dangerous situations as he pulls her into his investigation into the kidnapping of a local teenaged girl which may be related to the disappearance of his kid sister eight years ago.

Wein, E. Code Name Verity

In 1943, a British fighter plane crashes in Nazi-occupied France and the survivor tells a tale of friendship, war, espionage, and great courage as she relates what she must do to survive while keeping secret all that she can.