

L'Engle, M. J

Troubling a Star

As she tries to stay alive after being left on an iceberg in the Antarctic, sixteen-year-old Vicky recalls the series of events that brought her to the bottom of the world and involved her in a dangerous mystery.

Newman, R. J

The Case of the Baker Street Irregular

After his tutor is kidnapped, a boy seeks the help of Sherlock Holmes.

Nixon, J. J

Search for the Shadowman

While doing research for his school genealogy project, Andy finds that no one will tell him why the name of a distant relative was stricken from the family Bible, so he determines to solve the mystery for himself.

Patneau, D. J/Y

Someone Was Watching

Did Chris' little sister drown as everyone believes, or was she kidnapped?

Raskin, E. J/Y

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.

Roberts, W. J

Hostage

When she surprises the burglars robbing her home, eleven-year-old Kaci and her elderly neighbor are taken hostage by the ruthless criminals.

Shannon, G. J398.21

Still More Stories to Solve:

Fourteen Folktales from Around the World

Fourteen brief folktales in which there is a mystery or problem that the reader is invited to solve before the resolution is presented.

Skurzynski, G. J

Deadly Waters

While visiting the Everglades National Park with their parents, the Landon children uncover the mystery of dying manatees and learn important lessons about the natural environment. Series.

Sobol, D. J

Encyclopedia Brown and the Case of the Two Spies

America's ten-year-old Sherlock Holmes in sneakers solves cases involving a kidnapped Great Dane, a smashed sand castle and spies sending secret messages. Can you solve each case before checking the solution? Series.

Springer, N. J

The Case of the Missing Marquess: An Enola Holmes Mystery

As Sherlock Holmes' younger sister travels to London in disguise to search for her missing mother, she becomes involved in another disappearance.

Van Draanen, W. J/Y

Sammy Keyes and the Hollywood Mummy

With murder, models, mummies and mayhem all around, it's good to have a gutsy girl detective like Sammy Keyes on the case! Series.

Voigt, C. J/Y

The Vandemark Mummy

Phineas must investigate when both a mummy and the professor's daughter vanish!

Wright, B. J

The Dollhouse Murders

The family of dolls in the dollhouse appear to be moving by themselves. Amy knows they are trying to tell her something to help solve a haunting family mystery.



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Mystery Books for Children



Turn to us.
The choices will surprise you.

Adler, D.	J	Byars, B.	J	Hahn, M.	J
Cam Jansen and the Barking Treasure Mystery		The Dark Stairs		The Dead Man in Indian Creek	
Super sleuth Cam Jansen uses her photographic memory to solve a poodle's disappearance. Series.		Is the old Dead Oaks estate really haunted? Herculeah Jones and her sidekick "Meat" set out to discover the truth about an old murder and disappearance. Series.		When Matt and Parker learn the body they found in Indian Creek is a drug-related death, they fear Parker's mother may be involved.	
Aiken, J.	J	Conrad, P.	J	Hamilton, V.	J/Y
Wolves of Willoughby Chase		Stonewords		The House of Dies Drear	
Wicked wolves and a grim governess threaten Bonnie and her cousin Sylvia when Bonnie's parents leave for a sea voyage. The girls can't believe what's happening when Miss Slighcarp dismisses the servants, sells the furniture and send the girls to a prison-like orphan school.		When Zoe moves in with her grandparents, she discovers that the house is occupied by the ghost of an eleven-year-old girl who carries her back to the day of her death in 1870 to try to alter that tragic event.		A black family moves into a house that was once a stop for runaway slaves on the Underground Railroad. The appearance of the ghost of the murdered abolitionist Dies Drear leads the family to believe that they're in grave danger.	
Avi	J	DeFelice, C.	J	Hoobler, D.	J/Y
Wolf Rider: a Tale of Terror		Death at Devil's Bridge		The Ghost in the Tokaido Inn	
A "crank" phone call from a man confessing to murder leaves Andy suspecting the call is all too real.		Ben is working his summer fishing boat job when he discovers a tourist's sunken Porsche in the harbor. The police suspect illegal drug activity and even murder, and Ben is horrified to learn that his tourist-hating friend Donny may be involved.		Seikei will have to display the strength of a samurai to track down a jewel thief who may be a ghost!	
Balliett, B.	J	Dowell, F.	J/Y	Holmes, B.	J
Chasing Vermeer		Dovey Coe		Following Fake Man	
When strange and puzzling events start to happen and a precious Vermeer painting disappears, Petra and Calder combine their talents to solve an international art scandal.		When accused of murder in her North Carolina mountain town in 1928, Dovey Coe, a stronged-willed twelve-year-old girl, comes to a new understanding of others, including her deaf brother.		Homer's father died when he was two and no one will talk about him. So during his summer in Maine where his father grew up, Homer is determined to find out why.	
Bellairs, J.	J	Erickson, J.	J	Howe, J.	J
The Mansion in the Mist		The Case of the Saddle House Robbery		Bunnicola: A Rabbit Tale of Mystery	
In this blend of mystery and magic, Anthony finds a trunk that transports him to another dimension where he overhears a plot to destroy the human race.		Distracted by the ranch's new dog, Hank the Cowdog, Head of Ranch Security, is mortified when thieves steal their best saddles right out from under his nose, so to speak. Series.		Is the new pet bunny in the Monroe house really a vampire? All signs point to it and Harold the Dog and Chester the Cat are determined to protect the family! Series.	
Broach, E.	J/Y	Haddix, M.	J	Johns, L.	J
Shakespeare's Secret		Running Out of Time		Hannah West in the Belltown Towers	
Hero, named after a character in a Shakespeare play, becomes fascinated by the story of a diamond that is rumored to be hidden in her new house.		Jessie grows up believing she lives in the 1840's, but when diphtheria strikes her town, she learns the truth. In the world outside her town, it's 1996, and medicine exists to save the dying children, if only Jessie can reach it in time.		The day Hannah moves with her mother to an elegant apartment in downtown Seattle, she finds herself in the middle of an art-theft mystery. Series.	
Brooks, W.	J			Kehret, P.	J
Freddy the Detective				Abduction	
Freddy is no ordinary pig, but then neither are the other animals on the Bean farm. They talk and run their own bank, and now Freddy has turned to solving crimes! Series.				Bonnie faces danger when she searches for her little brother who was kidnapped outside his kindergarten.	