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# File Under: 13 Suspicious Incidents (All The Wrong Questions)



## Synopsis

>Match wits with Lemony Snicket to solve thirteen mini-mysteries. Paintings have been falling off of walls, a loud and loyal dog has gone missing, a specter has been seen walking the pier at midnight -- strange things are happening all over the town of Stain'd-By-The-Sea. Called upon to investigate thirteen suspicious incidents, young Lemony Snicket collects clues, questions witnesses, and cracks every case. Join the investigation and tackle the mysteries alongside Snicket, then turn to the back of the book to see the solution revealed. A delicious read that welcomes readers into Lemony Snicket's world of deep mystery, mysterious depth, deductive reasoning, and reasonable deductions.

## Book Information

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Age Range: 8 - 12 years

Grade Level: 3 and up

## Customer Reviews

Gr 4-6 "In his signature Snicket style, the author of "A Series of Unfortunate Events" (HarperCollins) and creator of that oddball little town known as Stain'd by the Sea offers 13 case files reminiscent of Donald Sobol's Two-Minute Mysteries (Scholastic, 1969). Set in the same locale as the previous installments in the "All the Wrong Questions" titles and starring a young Lemony Snicket investigating strange occurrences as part of his apprenticeship for a shady "secret organization," this companion book can be enjoyed by die-hard fans as well as readers new to the series. Each mini-mystery "just a few pages long" is chock-full of wordplay, clever dialogue, noir

references, and red herrings. The short chapters end with a cliff-hanger and kids may consult "Sub-file B" at the back of the work to see how the brilliant young detective solved the crime. Black-and-white illustrations highlight key details and provide a few subtle clues along the way. Though there is a narrative thread connecting the individual tales, readers can also delve into the separate cases one-by-one with equal enjoyment. By the end, not all mysteries are solved, nor all questions answered; whodunit aficionados will want to revisit again and again.â "Kiera Parrott, School Library Journal --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

Fans of the All the Wrong Questions series will have to wait for answers to its bigger questions while Lemony Snicket meets Encyclopedia Brown. Oh, not literally. Young Lemony is still in Stainâ™d-by-the-Sea (why is the town falling apart?) and still in the company of mentor S. Theodora Markson (who exactly is she?), but heâ™s taking a pause to solve 13 mysteries, Brown-style: short conundrums with the answers at the bookâ™s conclusion. The main difference between Snicket and Brown is that the former has a much bigger vocabulary and far better allusions (eating maple syrup is like drinking the blood of a tree), while the latter chooses mysteries that are easier for readers to solve. That said, Snicketeers will relish the chance to revisit Lemony and several familiar characters (in every sense of that word!). Once again, Sethâ™s black-and-white illustrations are charming (and occasionally worrisome). But after this delightful detour, Snicket, please return to the problems at hand, as Stainâ™d-by-the-Sea is losing residents faster than rats departing a sinking ship. (The kind of rats Billy Becker tries to catch in his old pillow caseâ "see the chapter âœTroublesome Ghost.â •) Grades 4-6. --Ilene Cooper --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

My 12 y/o daughter received this for Christmas. She and her 10 y/o brother love to act out "spy"-type scenarios - they are now pretending to be forensic scientists using the "case files" in this book as the basis for their work. She also received a microscope and he a special journal with a lock - it is quite the operation they have going. They are normal siblings who bicker - I am always so pleased when they get this excited to play together. I know these moments are fleeting! As for the first case, the 12 y/o figured it out, while the 10 y/o was reviewing his "notes." I think the difficulty level was just about right, as she was super excited she got it. I love my children reading books, but I have a special fondness for the ones that promote interactivity, teamwork and problem solving.

Kids read and reread this book.

Super awesome for the classroom. Read the story, students come up with their own conclusions and you reveal the truth. Perfect for 2-5

Great for kids, not for adults. I've enjoyed reading the other books in this series, and I had hoped this would be equally engaging, but found it lacking. It's very much like the Encyclopedia Brown books I enjoyed as a kid, but, very much against my will, I have become an adult. Four stars because I think kids would love this book.

For kids who enjoy tongue in cheek humor

albeit some are a little obvious, but my 6 year old really likes discovering the solution to the so-called crimes. The pictures are fun, stories and vocabulary great for a budding reader and always a little funny and dark enough for the adult reader/listener.

my daughter loves this series

A bit too simple and self indulgent. One or two good laughs. Ok if you're a fan.

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