

Looking for a Good Mystery?

For Young Readers

[Bones and the Dinosaur Mystery](#)

Series Title: [Bones](#)

by Adler, David A.

JEASY READER

Young Detective Jeffrey Bones investigates the disappearance of the plastic dinosaur his grandfather just bought for him in a museum gift shop.

[Detective Camp](#)

Series Title: [A to Z mysteries](#)

by Roy, Ron

J FICTION

While learning detective skills at a sleep-away camp, Dink and his friends undercover a real mystery involving stolen paintings.

[Detective Dinosaur: Lost and Found](#)

by Skofield, James

JEASY READER

After Detective Dinosaur and Officer Pterodactyl find a missing baby wearing pink diapers and a home for Cadet Kitty, they lose and rediscover each other.

[Evil Under the Sea: a Miss Mallard Mystery](#)

by Quackenbush, Robert M.

Jeasy Reader

Jacques Canard, noted undersea explorer, asks Miss Mallard to help discover who is destroying the coral in Australia's Great Barrier Reef.

[Meg Mackintosh and the Mystery in the Locked Library](#)

Series Title: [Solve-it-yourself mystery](#)

by Landon, Lucinda

Meg investigates the theft of a rare book from a locked library. The reader is challenged to solve the mystery before Meg, using clues in both text and illustrations.

[Miss Nelson is Missing!](#)

by Allard, Harry

JEASY

The kids in Room 207 take advantage of their teacher's good nature until she disappears and they are faced with a vile substitute.

[Mystery at the Club Sandwich](#)

by Cushman, Doug

JEASY

When Lola, famous singer at the Club Sandwich, loses her lucky marbles, elephant detective Nick Trunk, lover of peanut butter, takes the case.

[Nate the Great](#)

Series Title: [Nate the Great](#)

by Sharmat, Marjorie Weinman

JEASY

Nate the Great solves the mystery of the missing picture.

[Something Queer at the Haunted School](#)

by Levy, Elizabeth

JEASY

Two amateur detectives investigate a haunting of their school that starts around Halloween.

[The Case of the Missing Monkey](#)

Series Title: [High-Rise Private Eyes](#)

by Rylant, Cynthia

JEASY

While having breakfast at their favorite diner, two detectives, Bunny and Jack, solve a mystery that is not what it seems.

[Young Cam Jansen and the Baseball Mystery](#)

Series Title: [Young Cam Jansen](#)

by Adler, David A.

Jeasy Reader

When a baseball game is stopped because of a lost ball, Cam uses her photographic memory to find the ball.

For Middle Readers

[Bunnicula : a rabbit tale of mystery](#)

Series Title: [Bunnicula](#)

by Howe, Deborah

J FICTION

Though scoffed at by Harold the dog, Chester the cat tries to warn his human family that their foundling baby bunny must be a vampire.

[Disappearing Acts](#)

Series Title: [Herculeah Jones mystery](#)

by Byars, Betsy

J FICTION

Herculeah stumbles onto the trail of her friend Meat's long-lost father while she and Meat are investigating the disappearance of a dead body from the men's room of a comedy club.

[Encyclopedia Brown and the case of the disgusting sneakers](#)

Series Title: [Encyclopedia Brown](#)

by Sobol, Donald

J FICTION

America's Sherlock Holmes in sneakers continues his war on crime in ten more cases, the solutions to

which are found in the back of the book.

[I put a spell on you: from the files of Chrissie Woodward, spelling bee detective](#)

by Selzer, Adam

J FICTION

When Gordon Liddy Community School's resident tattletale-detective, Chrissie Woodward, realizes that the adults are out to fix the big spelling bee, she transfers her loyalty to her fellow students and starts collecting evidence. Told through in-class letters, administrative memos, file notes from Chrissie's investigation, and testimony from spelling bee contestants.

[Sebastian \(Super Sleuth\) and the time capsule caper](#)

Series Title: [Sebastian Super Sleuth](#)

by Christian, Mary Blount

J FICTION

Dog detective Sebastian investigates the disappearance of the contents from a rich family's sixty-year-old time capsule.

[The Boxcar Children](#)

Series Title: [Boxcar Children Mysteries](#)

by Warner, Gertrude Chandler

J FICTION

Introduces the orphaned Alden family children, who make an abandoned boxcar their home. They go on to solve many mysteries, with more than 100 books in this series.

[The Egypt Game](#)

by Snyder, Zilpha Keatley

J FICTION

A group of children, entranced with the study of Egypt, play their own Egypt game, are visited by a secret oracle, become involved in a murder, and befriend the Professor before they move on to new interests, such as Gypsies. A Newbery Honor Book, 1968.

[The Eleventh Hour](#)

by Base, Graeme

JEASY

An elephant's eleventh birthday party is marked by eleven games preceding the banquet to be eaten at the eleventh hour; but when the time to eat arrives, the birthday feast has disappeared. The reader is invited to guess the thief.

[The Mummy Case](#)

Series Title: [Hardy Boys Mysteries](#)

by Dixon, Franklin

J FICTION

Called in to investigate the theft of some statuettes stolen from the Egyptian Museum in New York, the Hardy brothers become involved in a deepening mystery which includes the possible overthrow of another country's government.

[The Postcard](#)

by Abbott, Tony

J FICTION

While in St. Petersburg, Florida, to help clean out his recently-deceased grandmother's house, thirteen-year-old Jason finds an old postcard which leads him on an adventure that blends figures from an old, unfinished detective story with his family's past.

[The puzzling world of Winston Breen: the secret in the box](#)

by Berlin, Eric

J FICTION

Puzzle-crazy, twelve-year-old Winston and his ten-year-old sister Katie find themselves involved in a dangerous mystery involving a hidden ring. Puzzles for the reader to solve are included throughout the text.

For Older Readers

[Chasing Vermeer](#)

by Balliett, Blue

J FICTION

When seemingly unrelated and strange events start to happen and a precious Vermeer painting disappears, eleven-year-olds Petra and Calder combine their talents to solve an international art scandal.

[Death in the Air](#)

Series Title: [Boy Sherlock Holmes](#)

by Peacock, Shane

J FICTION

After losing his mother while solving a brutal murder, young Sherlock Holmes commits himself to fighting crime. While visiting his father at work, Sherlock watches a dangerous trapeze performance. When the troupe's star drops to his death, Sherlock notices something is amiss and realizes it was foul play.

[Gilda Joyce, Psychic Investigator](#)

by Allison, Jennifer

J FICTION

During the summer before ninth grade, intrepid Gilda Joyce invites herself to the San Francisco mansion of distant cousin Lester Splinter and his thirteen-year-old daughter, where she uses her purported psychic abilities and detective skills to solve the mystery of the mansion's boarded-up tower.

[Holes](#)

by Sachar, Louis

J FICTION

As further evidence of his family's bad fortune which they attribute to a curse on a distant relative, Stanley Yelnats is sent to a hellish correctional camp in the Texas desert where he finds his first real friend, a treasure, and a new sense of himself. Newbery Medal, 2000

[I know what you did last summer](#)

by Duncan, Lois

YOUNG ADULT FICTION

Four teenagers who have desperately tried to conceal their responsibility for a hit-and-run accident are pursued by a mystery figure seeking revenge.

[Masterpiece](#)

by Broach, Elise

J FICTION

After Marvin, a beetle, makes a miniature drawing as an eleventh birthday gift for James, a human with whom he shares a house, the two new friends work together to help recover an Albrecht Dürer drawing stolen from the Metropolitan Museum of Art.

[Sammy Keyes and the art of deception](#)

Series Title: [Live Oak mysteries](#)

by Van Draanen, Wendelin

J FICTION

Seventh-grade sleuth Sammy Keyes investigates mysterious happenings at a local art gallery.

[The case of the left-handed lady: an Enola Holmes](#)

by Springer, Nancy

J FICTION

Pursued by her much older brother, famed detective Sherlock Holmes, fourteen-year-old Enola, disguised and using false names, attempts to solve the kidnapping of a baronet's sixteen-year-old daughter in nineteenth-century London.

[The Westing Game](#)

by Raskin, Ellen

J FICTION

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.

[Windcatcher](#)

by Avi

J FICTION

When eleven-year-old Toby goes to visit his grandmother, he not only learns to sail along the Connecticut coast, he embarks on a dangerous search for sunken treasure. Grades 4-6.