

## **Tell No Lies**

**Gregg Hurwitz**

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In the suspense novel *Tell No Lies*, protagonist Daniel Brasher finds himself in the center of a murder mystery that he has no idea how he is connected to. Daniel runs a rehabilitation group for ex-convicts to get back on their feet and into the real world in the least harmful way possible; he just never guessed that he'd be caught up in a crime himself. The masked killer nicknamed "The Tearmaker" left death threats accidentally placed in Daniel's mail (or was it an accident?) addressed to multiple people with seemingly no connection warning them to "admit what [they] have done or [they] will bleed for it" raising much concern when Daniel sees that the deadline for the first threat has already passed and so has the victim. Daniel goes to police inspector Theresa Dooley and her team for assistance, but it doesn't take an expert to see that the Tearmaker isn't playing around.

Daniel also must take care of his wife Cristina when they both spot an accomplice of the killer standing outside their own home and they realize the Tearmaker knows where they live now. Daniel knows that they must solve this mystery quickly if he and his wife want to make it out alive, but with his job being to work with criminals, everyone is a suspect. Daniel, his wife, Dooley and the rest of her team must figure out who the killer is and what the connection is between all the victims before it's too late.

I must admit, I have always been a sucker for mystery novels. I loved the author's use of suspense and the fact that I could not figure out who the killer was until Hurwitz revealed it. The plot was intense in all the right moments but calm in others and overall, despite being a rollercoaster, it seemed to flow easily and well. If you like mystery books I recommend reading this one. I recommend this book for children ages 14 and up.

### **Recommended Titles:**

The Body in the Library, Agatha Christie

And Then There Were None, Agatha Christie

One of Us Is Lying, Karen M. McManus