

Enola Holmes: The Case Of The Missing Marquess

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On the morning of her fourteenth birthday, Enola Holmes wakes up to a dreadful situation - her mother has gone missing. In a state of confusion and distress, Enola calls upon her two brothers, the world renowned Sherlock Holmes and the infamous Mycroft Holmes, to help her locate their mother. When Enola's siblings attempt to convince her that their mother ran away, Enola defies them and embarks on a solo journey through London in order to find her. As Enola navigates through the mystery of her mother's disappearance, she is faced with many obstacles. Just as she begins to explore London and all of the possibilities of her mother's whereabouts, she becomes entangled in another case, that of the missing marquess, The Viscount Tewkesbury of Basilwether.

In addition to running from her brothers, Enola must also escape the villainous people associated with the missing marquess. Enola becomes enraptured in the mysteries that surround her as she proves herself to be a witty and courageous protagonist in Springer's debut novel.

*Enola Holmes and the Case of the Missing Marquess* is a multi-layered mystery that explores the themes of feminism, individuality, and courage. The plot of this book keeps readers hooked from chapter to chapter and leaves them hungry for more. After watching the movie based on this book, I thought it wise to read it as well. I was quite surprised at how much the plot differed from the film. Nevertheless, I was captivated by the story from beginning to end.

I would recommend this novel to readers ten years of age and older. There are some scenes of violence as Tewsbury and Enola escape their murderous captors but nothing extremely graphic. Furthermore, the coded messages included throughout this novel are a pleasure to crack. The author, Nancy Springer, allows readers to unleash their inner detective with the use of these secret messages throughout her novel. I propose that people who enjoyed watching the recent Enola Holmes movie on Netflix also read this book. It offers a fresh aspect to the storyline and includes details not seen on screen.

#### Recommended Titles

Enola Holmes and the Case of the Left Handed Lady by Nancy Springer

Nancy Drew: The Secret of the Old Clock by Carolyn Keene

The 39 Clues: The Maze of Bones by Rick Riordan

A Series of Unfortunate Events by Lemony Snicket