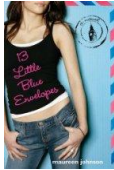


## Mystery Fiction for Teens

MS = Middle School HS = High School



### **13 Little Blue Envelopes**

Johnson, Maureen  
YA John

The rules are that she has to open one envelope at a time, in order, so perhaps it isn't surprising that she discovers things about her life and love one by one. Everything about Ginny will change this summer, and it's all because of 13 Little Blue Envelopes. HS



### **Acceleration**

McNamee, Graham  
YA McNa

Working his summer job in the lost and found of the Toronto subway, Duncan finds and reads a diary which describes the tortures that a man inflicted on animals as a child. The journal also reveals that this individual is planning to kidnap and molest a young lady. When the police don't believe his story, Duncan and his friends realize they must take matters into their own hands. They carefully follow individual clues to identify the participants until the exciting climax. HS



### **Down the Rabbit Hole**

Abrahams, Peter  
YA Abra

Ingrid is in the wrong place at the wrong time. Or at least her shoes are. Getting them back means getting involved in a murder investigation rivaling those solved by her idol, Sherlock Holmes, and Ingrid has enough on her plate with club soccer, school, and the plum role of Alice in the Echo Falls production of Alice in Wonderland. But much as in Alice's adventures down the rabbit hole, things in Ingrid's small town keep getting more curious. Her favorite director has a serious accident onstage, and the police chief is on

Ingrid's tail, grilling her about everything from bike-helmet law to the color of her cleats. Echo Falls has turned into a nightmare, and Ingrid is determined to wake up. MS



### **The House with a Clock in Its Walls**

Bellairs, John  
JM Bell

A boy goes to live with his magician uncle in a mansion that has a clock hidden in the walls, which is ticking off the minutes until doomsday. MS



### **The Invention of Hugo Cabret**

Selznick, Brian  
J Selz

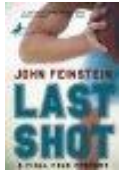
Orphan, clock keeper, thief: Hugo lives in the walls of a busy Paris train station, where his survival depends on secrets and anonymity. MS



### **Kissing the Rain**

Brooks, Kevin  
YA Broo

Moo Nelson is fat-pale white blubbery fat-and he gets rained on every day at school for it. The jokes, the insults, the snide laughter, and the beatings-all of it he calls the RAIN. Moo has learned to walk through it with his eyes down. Because after school there is always the bridge-a place where he can watch the cars go by on the highway and find some shelter from the RAIN. That is until the day he sees two speeding cars, a crash, a scuffle, and a murder on the bridge. Moo is the only witness, and his story is not what the police want to hear. If he tells the truth, Keith Vine, a notorious bad guy, will go free, and Detective Inspector Callan will retaliate by sending Moo's father to jail for welfare fraud. If he lies, Vine will take violent revenge. The secret pressures mount on Moo from all sides-money and gifts, threats and beatings-until he chooses to kiss the RAIN, to take action against his tormentors. HS



***Last Shot: A Final Four Mystery***

Feinstein, John  
JM Fein

Steven Thomas is one of two lucky winners of the U.S. Basketball Writer's Association's contest for aspiring journalists. His prize? A trip to New Orleans and a coveted press pass for the Final Four. It's a basketball junkie's dream come true! But the games going on behind the scenes between the coaches, the players, the media, the money-men, and the fans turn out to be even more fiercely competitive than those on the court. Steven and his fellow winner, Susan Carol Anderson, are nosing around the Superdome and overhear what sounds like a threat to throw the championship game. Now, they have just 48 hours to figure out who is blackmailing one of MSU's star players and why. MS



***Mr. Chickee's Funny Money***

Curtis, Christopher Paul  
JM Curt

Mr. Chickee, the blind man in the neighborhood, gives 9-year-old Steven a mysterious bill with 15 zeros on it and the image of a familiar but startling face. Could it be a "quadrillion" dollar bill? Could it be real? Agent Fondoo, of the U.S. Treasury Department, and his team of Secret Government Agents are determined to get that money back! But Steven and his best friends, Russell and Zoopy, are more than a match for the Feds. After all, Steven is the president of the Flint Future Detectives Club, and the inventor of fantastic spying and detecting equipment such as the Snoopeeze 9000! MS



***A Northern Light***

Donnelly, Jennifer  
YA Donn

Inspired by the sensational 1906 Big Moose Lake murder case that Theodore Dreiser based his novel *An American Tragedy* upon, this is the heartbreaking story of a young girl's coming

of age and the murder that rocked America in the early 20th century. HS



***Road of the Dead***

Brooks, Kevin  
YA Broo

Blood runs thick when two brothers leave their London home on a journey to the ghostly moors of Devon to hunt down the truth about their sister's savage death. HS



***Shakespeare's Secret***

Broach, Elise  
JM Broa

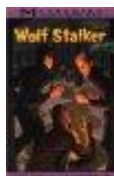
In this Junior Library Guild Selection, Broach weaves an intriguing literary mystery full of historical insights and discoveries, as a young girl tries to uncover the connections between a missing diamond, a mysterious neighbor, and a link to Shakespeare. MS



***What Happened to Cass McBride?***

Giles, Gail  
YA Gile

In this gripping, psychological page turner, Cass McBride has only a walkie talkie to save her when she is buried alive. HS



***Wolf Stalker***

Skurzynski, Gloria  
JM Skur

Twelve-year-old Jack Landon and his younger sister Ashley visit their wildlife veterinarian mother and photographer father when they begin to investigate the mystery of a wounded wolf in Yellowstone National Park. MS

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