While reading  
Chapters 1–3

1 Match the people with the jobs.
   a Anna Wain …..
   b Mr Balfour …..
   c Derek Halliday …..
   d Linda Jones …..
   e Cora Turner …..
   f Patrick Yardley …..
   g Roger Fox …..
   h Craven …..

   1) a businessman
   2) a museum attendant
   3) responsible for taking the money from the visitors
   4) a museum office worker
   5) the museum curator
   6) in charge of making displays
   7) the Deputy Chief Inspector
   8) the security guard

2 What happens first? What happens next?
Write the numbers, 1–8.
   a Roger goes to the big room at the front of the building.
   b The police arrive.
   c Cora returns from the ladies room.
   d Roger takes Cora’s place selling tickets.
   e Anna, Paul and Roger see that the necklace is gone.
   f Roger rings the security alarm.
   g Cora notices that the security camera is dark.
   h Roger Fox locks the doors of the museum.

3 What time is it? Finish these sentences.
   a Cora sees the dark TV screen at …………….. .
   b Derek asks Linda to go out with him at about …………….. .
   c Mr Balfour is going to return at …………….. .
   d People can leave the building until …………….. .
   e Anna comes back with coffee just before …………….. .

Chapters 4–6

4 Match the questions with the answers.
   a Why doesn’t Paul tell the police that he found the necklace? …..
   b Why is the treasure chest a good hiding place? …..
   c Why does Paul believe the thief hid the necklace before the alarm went off? …..
   d Why might Anna be the thief? …..
   e Why did Mr Yardley possibly steal the necklace? …..
   f Why does Paul believe Mr Yardley had the opportunity to steal the necklace? …..
   g Why does Paul decide that he has to find out quickly who the thief is? …..
   h Why does Paul have trouble keeping his mind on the story in the film? …..
   i Why does Paul go down to the beach? …..
   j Why did Mr Balfour give Paul the job? …..

   1) Because he is thinking about the stolen necklace.
   2) Because he was in the other room using the saw.
   3) Because he needs money.
   4) Because nobody saw him coming up the stairs.
   5) Because the thief will probably move the necklace soon.
   6) Because he thinks that the police suspect him.
   7) Because she had the opportunity to steal the necklace when she went to get the coffee.
   8) Because it isn’t easy to see the necklace under the other jewellery.
   9) Because he seemed to be the right person for it.
   10) Because he wants to get some fresh air.

5 Discuss these questions with another student. What do you think?
When do you think the necklace was stolen? Why do you think this? Who do you think stole the necklace? Why do you think this?

6 Role play a conversation with another student.
Student A is Cora and Student B is Greg. Role play the conversation on page 25.
Detective Work

Chapters 7–9

7 Write Anna, Cora, Derek, Ian, Linda, Mr Balfour, Paul or Roger in the spaces to complete the paragraph.

(a) ………….. apologizes to (b) ………….. for her bad mood yesterday. (c) ………….. finds that the thief still hasn’t returned for the necklace. (d) ………….. tells (e) ………….. that (f) ………….. will have to pay two thousand pounds for his motor bike accident. Paul talks to (g) ………….. in the cafe at lunchtime. He remembers that Linda said that (h) ………….. had asked what time (i) ………….. was coming back. However, the problem is that (j) ………….. already knew the answer because he had been talking to (k) ………….. and (l) ………….. when (m) ………….. left the museum in the morning. Paul wonders if (n) ………….. and (o) ………….. have been telling lies.

8 Who says the sentences a–l?

a ‘I see you painted that bit of wall on the pirate display.’ …………..

b ‘I walked to work with Ian Maxton this morning.’ …………..

c ‘Linda’s mistaken, I didn’t ask that question.’ …………..

d ‘It’s not fair! You haven’t done anything wrong;’ …………..

e ‘I didn’t steal anything, I was just with them.’ …………..

f ‘I think it would be better if you found another holiday job after this week.’ …………..

g ‘We’ll be keeping a careful eye on you in future.’ …………..

h ‘You haven’t been completely honest with me, Paul.’ …………..

i ‘I like you, Paul. I want you to know that.’ …………..

j ‘Which display is that?’ …………..

k ‘Sorry to keep you waiting, but I was cleaning the office at the top of the building.’ …………..

l ‘Ten minutes fast? What day was that?’ …………..

9 Discuss these questions with another student.

What do you think?

Who do you think stole the necklace? Why do you think this?

Chapters 10–11

10 Match the letters (a–h) with the numbers (1–8) to complete the sentences.

a The thief doesn’t see Paul in the room because …………..

b Derek stole the necklace because …………..

c Paul switches off the light because …………..

d The woman walks into the prison cell because …………..

e Paul opens the museum doors because …………..

f Paul tells the police to be careful because …………..

g Mrs Gilbertson paid Derek to steal the necklace because …………..

h Mrs Gilbertson decided to kill Derek because …………..

1) it is dark and she doesn’t know where things are in the room.

2) someone paid him to do it.

3) he looks just like a wax dummy.

4) he thinks the hooded person is going to shoot Derek again.

5) she wanted to collect the insurance money.

6) she knew that he would continue asking for more money.

7) he wants to let the police in.

8) the hooded person has a gun.

11 Ten things are wrong in the paragraph below. Find them and make them right.

‘Derek Halliday was my cook. He isn’t an intelligent person, so I knew that he would do what I wanted. Everyone knows I’m poor. I thought that if my necklace was found, I could get the insurance money. Derek visited me to say that the prison display was going to be destroyed. He wanted more money because he was going to take the necklace from the museum. I decided to help him because I thought that he would not start asking me for help.’

After reading

12 Work in pairs.

Do you think the book has a good title? Why or why not? What other titles can you think of? Write them down.
Detective Work

Chapters 1–3
1 Match the letters (a–f) with the numbers (1–6) to complete the sentences.
   a Paul is glad that the policewoman doesn’t recognize him because …..  
   b Paul is suspicious of Anna because …..   
   c Paul becomes nervous because …..   
   d Inspector Todd is tired because …..   
   e Inspector Todd thinks the thief has left the museum with the necklace because …..   
   f Inspector Todd makes a big mistake because …..

   (1) he stops looking at the displays.
   (2) the Chief Inspector suspects that he stole the necklace.
   (3) she went to the coffee machine just before the alarm went off.
   (4) there were ten minutes before the doors were locked.
   (5) she knows something about him.
   (6) he has been working all night.

Chapters 4–6
2 Who or what are the people or things in italics?
   a ‘The police suspect me, you know.’ …………………..  
   b I didn’t want to make her even more annoyed. …………………..  
   c ‘They’re hoping he may try to sell the necklace in Repsom.’ …………………..  
   d ‘I told them you were with me all morning.’ …………………..  
   e If I tell them I’ve found it, will they believe me? …………………..  
   f ‘I’m going home now,’ I told him. …………………..  
   g She was the cleaner and came in every evening at this time. …………………..  
   h Nobody saw him coming up the stairs, I thought. …………………..  
   i She didn’t see me, and I was glad. …………………..  
   j He saw me walking towards him. …………………..  
   k ‘You usually ride it to work, don’t you?’ …………………..  
   l ‘I was looking at it the other day.’ …………………..

Chapters 7–9
3 Put the words in the right order to make sentences.
   a pirate / the / looks / display / same / the……………………………………..  
   b different / be / nothing / to / seems……………………………………..  
   c Anna / Paul / gives / cup / coffee / a / of……………………………………..  
   d lunch / Derek / Paul / with / eats……………………………………..  
   e serious / looks / Balfour / Mr / very……………………………………..  
   f angry / Paul’s / is / full / head / of / thoughts……………………………………..  
   g has / Paul / leave / his / to / job / soon……………………………………..  
   h telephones / Yardley / Paul / Mr / even……………………………………..  
   i back / Paul / the / museum / goes / to……………………………………..
   j fast / clock / was / minutes / ten / the……………………………………..

Chapters 10–11
4 Write the right prepositions in the sentences.
   a Paul seems to be standing there ….. hours.
   b Paul doesn’t dare put ….. a light as he is waiting for the thief to arrive.
   c Paul looks ….. his watch and sees that it is just midnight.
   d Only Roger Fox, Mr Balfour and Mrs Morgan have keys ….. the museum door.
   e Paul can hear the sound ….. his heart.
   f Paul moves quickly and switches on the light ….. the next room.
   g Suddenly there is a loud bang! ….. near the door.
   h Paul hears somebody running ….. the door.
   i Paul hears the alarms screaming ….. the streets.
   k Derek’s eyes are closed and his face is the colour ….. dirty snow.
   l The necklace is insured ….. one hundred thousand pounds.
   m Derek doesn’t die, but he goes ….. prison.