

A Good Girl's Guide to Murder

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Pippa probably chose a troublesome topic for her senior year capstone project, a murder. A murder and suicide which shook Fairview when it happened 5 years ago, and still affects the town. Allegedly, Sal Singh killed his girlfriend Andie and killed himself since he couldn't handle the pain. Pip doesn't think that's the case, stuff really doesn't add up so Pip sets out to find justice for Sal, trying to prove that he didn't do it. She takes help of Sal's younger brother Ravi and together they uncover many secrets, each one fatal and taking part in Andie's mysterious death.

A Good Girl's Guide to Murder is one of my favorite books especially because of the way it is crafted. Turning each page brings new facts and leads on who really killed Andie. I really liked how Holly Jackson made each character detailed and gave them backstories which enhanced the story overall. *A Good Girl's Guide to Murder* uses character development and settings to their advantages which made the book appealing. It wasn't too long or too short for a murder mystery and is quite popular. *A Good Girl's Guide to Murder* is a stand-alone novel but does feature in a trilogy with two other books written by Holly Jackson.

A Good Girl's Guide to Murder is a great book that I recommend teenagers to read. A small note, *A Good Girl's Guide to Murder* does include talk of drugs, sexual assault, rape, kidnapping, murder, and suicide which might be disturbing for younger readers. Teenagers from the ages of 14-17 might enjoy the book to buy for themselves when they're in the mood for a good murder mystery. Teens who enjoy thriller, suspense, and mystery books will enjoy this book as it includes the essence of all the genres listed above.

Recommended Books:

Good Girl, Bad Blood by Holly Jackson

As Good as Dead by Holly Jackson

One of Us is Lying by Karen M. McManus

One of Us is Next by Karen M. McManus

They Wish They Were Us by Jessica Goodman