# Week 5: Partners in Crime…Solving

Note: All BR (braille) books are available from BARD.

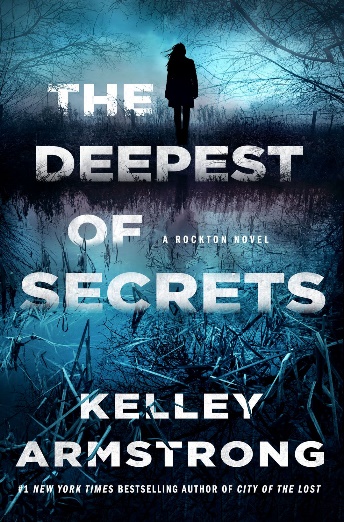
## Books for Adults

### Soulless book cover with woman in a top hat holding an open umbrella up in the streets of London with fog around and indistinct persons in the background.DB 81166 [*Soulless; Changeless; Blameless: Parasol Protectorate, books 1-3*](https://kstb.klas.com/title/summary.jsf?id=124186791.6232) by Gail Garriger

Annotation: First three books in a romantic steampunk series. In Soulless, Alexia Tarabotti accidentally kills a vampire, and Lord Maccon--a werewolf--investigates. In Changeless, Alexia's new husband disappears in Scotland. In Blameless, a scandal forces Alexia from her home, and vampires want her dead. Descriptions of sex and some violence. 2014.

### DB 59293 [*Skeleton man*](https://kstb.klas.com/title/summary.jsf?id=47618382.6232) by Tony Hillerman

Annotation: A 1956 plane collision over the Grand Canyon left 128 dead and a briefcase of diamonds missing. Decades later, after a Hopi man tries to pawn one of the gems, retired Navajo tribal policeman Joe Leaphorn assists sergeant Jim Chee in tracking down the jewels. Some violence. Bestseller. 2004.

Also available as BR 21307.

### DB 106777 [*The deepest of secrets*](https://kstb.klas.com/title/summary.jsf?id=273591424.6232) by Kelley Armstrong

Annotation: Detective Casey Duncan knows that secrets typically stay buried in the town of Rockton. But when those secrets begin coming to light, she and her boyfriend, Sheriff Eric Dalton, must find the person responsible. The townspeople begin turning on each other, and a killer is on the loose. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2022.

### DB 107535 [*The investigator*](https://kstb.klas.com/title/summary.jsf?id=275813755.6232) by John Sandford

Annotation: Letty Davenport--adopted daughter of Lucas Davenport--is restless and bored in the desk job she has working for US Senator Christopher Colles. He offers her the chance to investigate the theft of crude oil with a partner from the Department of Homeland Security. Letty and her partner, John Kaiser, soon encounter murder. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2022.

### Under pressure book cover with a woman running toward a black Labrador Retriever in front of the steps of the Philadelphia Museum of Art at night.DB 112684 [*Under pressure*](https://kstb.klas.com/title/summary.jsf?id=293638299.6232) by Sara Driscoll

Annotation: "FBI handler Meg Jennings and her K-9 partner, Hawk, are drawn into a case that involves a fortune in uncut gems, and an enemy whose power and ruthlessness know no bounds. Diamonds are no one's best friend when the jewels in question are smuggled conflict gems. Meg Jennings and her Labrador, Hawk, have undertaken many search-and-rescue missions, but this case has an unusual twist. A Philadelphia syndicate is importing diamonds from war-torn African nations and selling them with fake certificates to Stateside dealers. Agent Finn Pierce of the Organized Crime Program is embedded with the syndicate, but being caught with a wire or tracking device would mean instant execution. If Meg, her partner Brian Foster, and their dogs can track Pierce to a deal location, they can break the smuggling chain while maintaining Pierce's cover. With the syndicate monitoring every move, it's a risky operation with more players than Meg and Brian first assumed-on both sides of the law. And when one of their own gets caught in the line of fire, the team embarks on a desperate rescue mission, knowing that mere seconds are all that separate life and death." -- Provided by publisher. -- Unrated. Commercial audiobook.

### Fortune favors the dead book cover with illustrations of a woman wearing trousers and arm holster with a gun looking back at a woman in a red dress on a New York City street with the Chrysler Building and a full moon in the background.DB 106039 [*Fortune favors the dead*](https://kstb.klas.com/title/summary.jsf?id=271308475.6232) by Stephen Spotswood

Annotation: Willowjean "Will" Parker has run away from the circus and encounters private detective Lillian Pentecost while working a job. Lillian proposes a partnership to Will as her multiple sclerosis diagnosis no longer allows her to work. Will accepts, and they are soon on the hunt for a killer. Unrated. Commercial audiobook. 2020.

### DBC24646 [*On the run with Bonnie & Clyde*](https://kstb.klas.com/title/summary.jsf?id=267338344.6232) by John Gilmore

Annotation: A fast moving and gut-wrenching, highly original exploration into the personalities of the star-crossed lovers and "public enemies" Bonnie Parker and Clyde Barrow. Adult. Unrated.

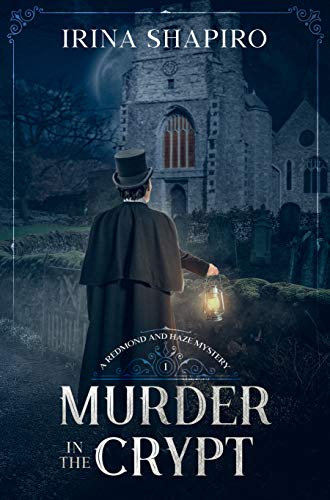
### DB 107236 [*Hell’s half-acre: the untold story of the Benders, a serial killer family on the American frontier*](https://kstb.klas.com/title/summary.jsf?id=275250713.6232) by Susan Jonusas

Annotation: Study of the Bender family, whose homestead in Labette County, Kansas, was the site of numerous murders and a mass grave. Discusses the social environment of the early 1870s, the Bender family and their victims, and the investigation and search for the family after neighbors discovered the crime. Some violence. Commercial audiobook. 2022.

### The brothers book cover with blocked off empty street in Boston, part of the Boston Marathon route, and trash in the street.DB 81069 [*The brothers: the road to an American tragedy*](https://kstb.klas.com/title/summary.jsf?id=123042901.6232) by Masha Gessen

Annotation: A Russian-American journalist examines the events surrounding the 2013 Boston Marathon, when two homemade bombs killed three people and wounded hundreds. In the ensuing manhunt, Tamerlan Tsarnaev died and his younger brother Dzhokhar was captured and charged. Gessen discusses how the young immigrants evolved into terrorists. Strong language and some violence.. Commercial audiobook. 2015.

### DB 99469 [*Blonde rattlesnake: Burmah Adams, Tom White, and the 1933 crime spree that terrorized Los Angeles*](https://kstb.klas.com/title/summary.jsf?id=227926274.6232) by Julia Bricklin

Annotation: Reveals the events that brought nineteen-year-old hairdresser Burmah Adams and ex-con Thomas White together and details the robbing spree and two shootings the newlyweds committed in the sweltering hot days and nights of Los Angeles in the height of the Great Depression. Contains some violence. Commercial audiobook. 2019.

### DB 111467 [*Murder in the crypt*](https://kstb.klas.com/title/summary.jsf?id=291359190.6232) by Irina Shapiro

Annotation: "When the body of a young man is found stuffed into the tomb of a medieval knight, Parish Constable Daniel Haze is tasked with investigating his first solo murder case. Suspicion instantly falls on the only stranger to arrive in the village of Birch Hill just before the crime took place, but the American captain proves to be an unexpected asset. A former soldier and a skilled surgeon, Jason Redmond is not only willing to assist Haze with the investigation but will risk his own safety to apprehend the killer. With no suspects, no motive, and few leads to follow, Redmond and Haze must solve the crime before one of them becomes the murderer's next victim. Murder in the Crypt is the exciting first installment of this Victorian murder mystery series set in a quaint British village." -- Provided by publisher. -- Some violence and some strong language.

### London Bridge is falling down book cover with a person in a coat, hat, and scarf standing holding their hat on their head, looking up at a man standing on London Bridge, with the London Bridge with buildings built on it in the background and modern buildings in the far background.DB 111435 [*London Bridge is falling down*](https://kstb.klas.com/title/summary.jsf?id=291346571.6232) by Christopher Fowler

Annotation: "91 year-old Alice Hoffman died alone in her top floor flat. Social services say she slipped through the cracks in a failing system. But detectives Arthur Bryant & John May of the Peculiar Crimes Unit have their suspicions. Mrs Hoffman was not as innocent as she appeared. A former government security expert, she had once worked for their own unit, but there's no-one left who can remember her. And when they uncover a link between her and a diplomat desperate to leave the country it begins to look as if someone might have committed an impossible murder. But Mrs Hoffman wasn't acting alone. Arthur Bryant is convinced that a group of talented women have been working together for decades and now the others are in danger. With the help of some of his more certifiable contacts and historical experts, he and John May embark on an investigation that will lead them down forgotten alleyways to riverside buildings and on to the city's oldest bridge. But just when the case appears to have been solved and unit chief Raymond Land can congratulate everyone on ending a threat to international security, the detectives discover that they've been the victims of the biggest deception of all. For even after her death, Mrs Hoffman would prove too clever for them . . . . Bryant & May's twentieth anniversary case brings an ending and a new beginning to London's most peculiar crimes unit and all who work there." -- Provided by publisher. -- Unrated. Commercial audiobook.

### Death on deadline book cover with a gun wrapped in a newspaper with blood on i, laying on a polished wood surface showing a slight reflection of the gun and newspaper.DB 110432 [*Death on deadline*](https://kstb.klas.com/title/summary.jsf?id=284428092.6232) by Robert Goldsborough

Annotation: "To save his favorite newspaper, Nero Wolfe steps into the crossfire of a tabloid war. Master sleuth Nero Wolfe's small circle of friends is limited to his assistant, Archie Goodwin; his chef, Fritz; and Lon Cohen, the head man at the New York Gazette. Cohen knows more about the city's power structure than any man in Manhattan, and for years, he happily passed Wolfe information in return for the odd exclusive scoop. But now Cohen needs Wolfe's help, for the Gazette is ailing and the vultures have begun to circle. Scottish newspaper magnate Ian MacLaren plans to gut the paper and turn it into a sex-filled conservative rag. Standing in his way is the company's chief shareholder, Gazette heir Harriet Haverhill. But when the aged Ms. Haverhill dies in an apparent suicide, no one remains to resist the Scot's advances except Wolfe. MacLaren may be fierce, but when the cause is just, Nero Wolfe knows how to play dirty too." -- Provided by publisher. -- Unrated. Commercial audiobook.

### BRG01127 *In a dry season* by Peter Robinson

Annotation: When a drought dries up a reservoir that covers the abandoned English village of Hobb's End, a skeleton is found in a crumbling building. Detective Chief Inspector Alan Banks and local detective Annie Cabbot untangle the World War II mystery that led to the young woman's death. Some strong language. 1999. Marrakesh title.

### Paw and order book cover with a man and a dog with their backs to the reader looking at the United States Capitol building.BR22385 *Paw and order* by Spencer Quinn

Annotation: P.I. Bernie Little and his faithful canine companion Chet visit Bernie's girlfriend, journalist Suzie Sanchez, in Washington, D.C. Suzie is working on a big hush-hush story and when her source--a mysterious Brit with possible intelligence connections--runs into trouble of the worst kind, Bernie suddenly finds himself under arrest. Strong language. 2014.

### BRG01625 *Hour game* by David Baldacci

Annotation: Former Virginia secret service agents and now private detectives Michelle Maxwell and Sean King from "Split Second" attempt to solve a burglary when they are solicited to investigate another case--a series of murders that strongly resemble other infamous crimes. Some violence and some strong language. Bestseller. c2004. Marrakesh title.

### Mortal sins book cover with a noose hanging, made out of a long strand of pearls.BRG00136 *Mortal sins* by Anna Porter

Annotation: Judith Hayes is writing a feature story on wealthy Paul Zimmerman when he dies mysteriously. Judith and her boyfriend, Detective Inspector David Parr, suspect murder, but their investigation is hindered by Zimmerman's uncooperative family and friends. Some strong language. Marrakesh title.

### BR23604 *Ocean prey* by John Sandford

Annotation: While fishing with his family, an off-duty Coast Guardsman notices suspicious behavior. His feelings are confirmed when three of his colleagues are shot and killed. When the FBI's investigation stalls out, they call in Lucas Davenport who, in turn, calls on Virgil Flowers. Strong language. Bestseller. 2021.

## Books for Youth

### DB 83073 [*Chasing Vermeer*](https://kstb.klas.com/title/summary.jsf?id=133875673.6232) by Blue Balliett

Annotation: When strange and seemingly unrelated events start to happen and a precious Vermeer painting disappears, sixth-grade classmates Petra and Calder combine their talents to investigate an international art scandal. Commercial audiobook. For grades 4-7. 2004.

Also available as BRG00685.

### Book scavenger book cover with an illustration of the silhouette of a girl holding a book in one arm looking at boy holding a magnifying glass and a piece of paper in the two lit windows of the house with books seeming to be flying around the house.DB 87363 [*Book scavenger*](https://kstb.klas.com/title/summary.jsf?id=153180928.6232) by Jennifer Chambliss Bertman

Annotation: Just after twelve-year-old Emily's family moves to San Francisco, she learns that her hero, Garrison Griswold, creator of the online game Book Scavenger, has been attacked. Emily and her new friend, James, discover that the attack is tied to a special book, and they race to solve the mystery. For grades 4-7. 2015.

### King and Kayla and the case of the missing dog treats book cover with an illustration of a girl holding a baking sheet with oven mitts and treats shaped like a bone. Her dog looks over her shoulder with eyes looking up at Kayla.DB 90439 [*King and Kayla series, books 1-4*](https://kstb.klas.com/title/summary.jsf?id=169578101.6232) by Dori Hillestad Butler

Annotation: Books one through four, written in 2017 and 2018, feature canine King and his human, Kayla, as they solve everyday mysteries. Includes King and Kayla and the Case of the Missing Dog Treats, King and Kayla and the Case of the Secret Code, and two more. For grades K-3. 2018.

Also available as BR22211.

### The Zach and Zoe mysteries: The missing baseball book cover with illustrations of a girl with her hair up, wearing a baseball jersey, jeans and tennis shoes, a baseball bat in her hand, standing next to a boy wearing a ball cap, t-shirt, tennis shoes, and a baseball mitt. Both are standing on the pitcher's mound of a baseball diamond with a cat between them, and the two of them looking sidelong at each other.DB 90894 [*The Zach and Zoe mysteries, books 1-2*](https://kstb.klas.com/title/summary.jsf?id=172260272.6232) by Mike Lupica

Annotation: Two mysteries featuring sports-loving eight-year-old twins Zach and Zoe. In The Missing Baseball, when a signed baseball goes missing, the duo searches for clues. In The Half-Court Hero, the twins search for who is behind a basketball-court renovation. Commercial audiobook. For grades K-3. 2018.

### DB 88069 [*The absent author*](https://kstb.klas.com/title/summary.jsf?id=159169535.6232) by Ron Roy

Annotation: After famous mystery writer Wallis Wallace fails to appear at the bookstore to autograph books, Dink figures out that he's been kidnapped. Dink and his best friends, Josh and Ruth Rose, trace Wallace's itinerary, hoping they will arrive in time to rescue him. For grades 2-4. 1997.

Also available as BR17952.

### DB 111269 [*Finally, something mysterious*](https://kstb.klas.com/title/summary.jsf?id=291288288.6232) by Doug Cornett

Annotation: "Paul Marconi and his two friends are amateur detectives and find their biggest case when their neighbor wakes up to lawn full of rubber duckies. The kids set out to discover the culprit." -- Provided by publisher. -- Commercial audiobook. For grades 3-6.

### DB 94052 [*Zap!*](https://kstb.klas.com/title/summary.jsf?id=183151647.6232) by Martha Freeman

Annotation: Eleven-year-olds Luis and Maura investigate the cause of a long-term citywide power outage in Hampton, New Jersey. Includes facts about electric power and instructions for assembling an emergency kit. For grades 5-8. 2018.

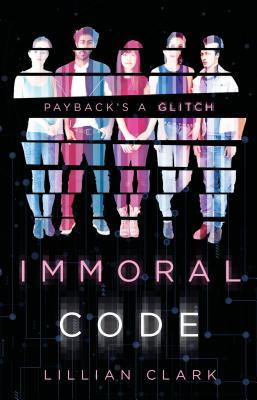
### DB 88343 [*The shadow cipher*](https://kstb.klas.com/title/summary.jsf?id=160707052.6232) by Laura Ruby

Annotation: In an alternate history of New York City, three kids--Tess, Theo, and Jaime--try to solve the Old York Cipher and complete a treasure hunt laid into the streets and buildings of the city by two eccentric siblings, Theresa and Theodore Morningstarr. Some violence. For grades 5-8. 2017.

### The Agathas book cover with illustration of a young woman looking out from behind tropical leaves with sunglasses reflecting back the image of another young woman wearing sunglasses.DB 108238 [*The Agathas*](https://kstb.klas.com/title/summary.jsf?id=277241625.6232) by Liz Lawson and Kathleen Glasgow

Annotation: "Alice Ogilvie's disappearance last summer is the biggest scandal at Castle Cove High School--until her ex-boyfriend is accused of murdering his new girlfriend, and Alice must pair up with her tutor Iris Adams to clear his name by relying on the wisdom of Agatha Christie." -- Provided by publisher. -- Unrated. Commercial audiobook. For senior high and older readers. 2022.

### DB 98673 [*No true believers*](https://kstb.klas.com/title/summary.jsf?id=203307202.6232) by Rabiah York Lumbard

Annotation: Salma, a high school senior, faces prejudice and hidden danger after being framed for a Muslim terrorist act that she did not commit. With the help of her boyfriend, Amir, the two search for who is responsible for the bombing. Strong language. Commercial audiobook. For senior high and older readers. 2020.

### DB 95076 [*Immoral code*](https://kstb.klas.com/title/summary.jsf?id=186353260.6232) by Lillian Clark

Annotation: Five high school friends--Bellamy, Nari, Reese, Keagan, and Santiago--team up to hack into Bellamy's billionaire father's business accounts to skim enough money for her MIT tuition. Strong language. For senior high and older readers. 2019.

### BR22186 *Turtles all the way down* by John Green

Annotation: Sixteen-year-old Aza never intended to pursue the mystery of fugitive billionaire Russell Pickett, but there's a hundred-thousand-dollar reward at stake, and her best and most fearless friend, Daisy, is eager to investigate. Meanwhile, Aza obsesses about everything. Strong language. For senior high and older readers. 2017.

### The empire of gut and bone book cover with illustration of two boys and girl running away from robots with multiple legs and tentacle-like arms with rotating blades on the end chasing after them in a city in ruins.BR19553 *The empire of gut and bone by M.T.* Anderson

Annotation: Brian and Gregory enter the land of New Norumbega, located inside a vast organic body, to recruit allies against Earth's alien invaders. In the process they are drawn into a robot rebellion and a murder mystery. Sequel to The Suburb beyond the Stars (BR 19157). For grades 5-8. 2011.

### BR019972 *The one-hundred-year-old secret* by Tracy Barrett

Annotation: Xena and Xander Holmes, American siblings who recently moved to London, are welcomed by the Society for the Preservation of Famous Detectives. After discovering that they are descendants of Sherlock Holmes, Xena and Xander attempt to solve the case of a missing famous painting. For grades 4-7. 2008.

### BRG03081 *Missing* by Becky Citra

Annotation: Thea and her dad are always on the move, from one small Cariboo town to another, trying to leave behind the pain of Thea's mom's death. When her dad gets work renovating a guest ranch on Gumboot Lake, she makes friends with Van, a local boy, and works hard to build the trust of an abused horse named Renegade. When Thea unearths the decades-old story of a four-year-old girl who disappeared from the ranch and was never seen again, she enlists Van to help her solve the mystery. For junior high readers. Winner of the 2013 Silver Birch Fiction Honour Book Award. 2011. Marrakesh title.