

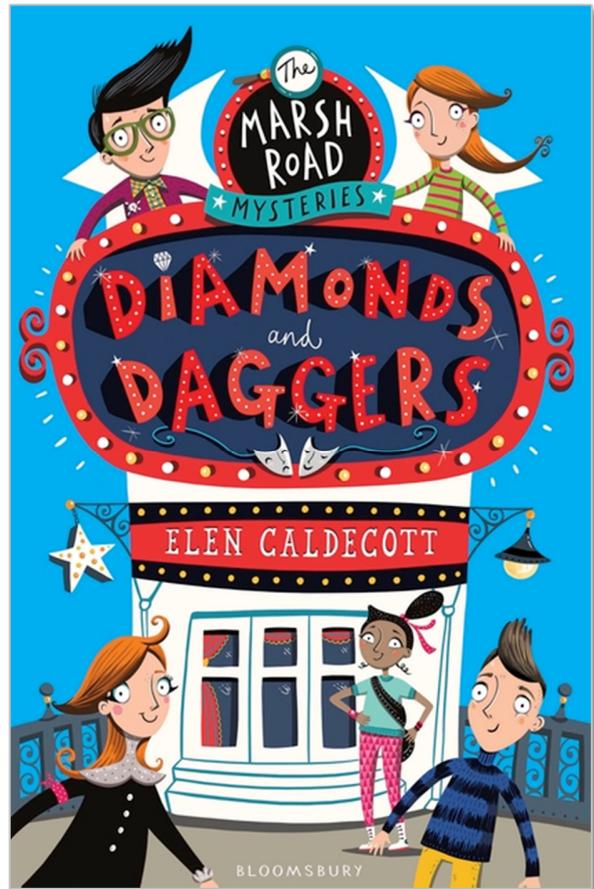
## LoveReading4kids Reader reviews of The Marsh Road Mysteries: Diamonds and Daggers By Elen Caldecott

Below are the complete reviews, written by LoveReading4kids members.

**Tomasz Hawryszczuk, age 9**

*Move over 'Famous Five', there are five new investigators on the block. I hope there are lots more of these stories as I really enjoyed it. This book would be great for boys and girls.*

*Five friends try to solve a case of a missing necklace which belongs to a famous actress. Piotr's dad is a security guard at the theatre and it looks like he is the one who stole it. Can the five friends find out the truth? At 215 pages long, this was just right to read in a couple of nights as I couldn't wait to find out who had stolen the necklace. One thing I really liked about this book was Piotr's family as they were Polish. I would highly recommend this book.*



**Freegrounds Junior School, Year 5 Class, age 10**

*Absolutely loved this book! It was really exciting and fun to read and the characters were easy to like. We didn't guess who the culprit was right until the very end.*

*We loved this book -even those of use who are not a big fan of 'whodunnit' books. The characters were introduced to us quickly, but we really liked them and liked the way they acted around one another. The mystery was simple but interesting and our favourite part was the fact they had a reason for solving the*

*mystery - they needed to find out who really did it to stop Piotr and his family moving back to Poland. A real hit in our class - we can't wait to read some more!*

**Olivia Bannister, age 10 – Blenheim Primary School**

***I think this book is very good because it has lots of expression but I also think the start of the story was a bit confusing.***

*This book has a very good story line but has very simple words in it so I think it should be mad for a younger age group. I really like this book because of the rude, funny and nice people in the story.*

**Kelis Spencer, age 10**

***I love the title it makes you want to find out what's in store. It makes you feel excited and curious about the story.***

*I think this is a wonderful book and that you are able to understand the story very well. Also I enjoyed that the book is about crime and mystery , I think it's also great that it's about a kid trying to save his home.*

**Jorge Alexander Kearsley, age 7**

***An entertaining book with lots of mystery, keeps you guessing until the end.***

*Lots of mystery because I never knew who the thief was going to be- until the end! Big Phil was a unusual character because the friends thought he was a tough guy but he wasn't really – just a shop owner. My favourite bit was when they worked out who it was and told the audience.*

**Cajsa Jonsson, age 9**

***A fun and thrilling story. I have loved reading it and couldn't put it down! I give this book a rating of 8 out of 10. I think many people will love this book.***

*A fun and thrilling story. I have loved reading it and couldn't put it down! I can not wait for the next few books about Piotr and his friends. Minnie is my favourite character because she is stubborn and has a very strong character. I*

*think it's brilliant that the story doesn't give too much away. I like the way the gang are really clever at getting themselves out of a trouble, especially Minnie. I give this book a rating of 8 out of 10. I think many people will love this book.*

**Billy Carlton, age 9 - Evercreech Cof E Primary School**

***I enjoyed this book because it is long with short chapters.***

*I wish it could have more pictures. The funniest bit was when the lady at the stall was shouting, "Two for a pound!" so loud it sounded like, "Doofaround!!!" I think that if you like 'Scooby-Doo' you will like 'Diamonds and Daggers'.*

*I would give it 10/10.*

**Kieran Mallory, age 11**

***It is a page-turner, you can't put it down you, it is a have-to-finish-it-book that hooks you into the story. I highly recommend this book to all to read so, go on, read this FANTASTIC book!***

*I liked this book because it has a great feel of mystery to it; it is an easy lay out to read.*

*I like mystery stories because they are exiting and you feel like you're in the book with the characters and you have to solve the mystery too.*

*It is a must read for mystery lovers and 'Harry Potter' fans.*

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**Gaia McNaughton, age 8 - Lewisham School**

***'Diamonds and Daggers' is a mystery book full of investigators, diamond necklaces and theatre! I would recommend this book to anybody who likes reading investigator books.***

*'Diamonds and Daggers' is set in a little town in England. I liked this book because I love investigator books and it's fun to read because you really want to know if Piotr is going to have to go back to Poland!*

*My favourite character was Flora because she's one of the investigators and she is very kind, gentle and helps out her friends. She has a notebook full of all their investigative work. Flora is the twin sister of Sylvie. Flora has ginger hair and she's got redder cheeks than Sylvie.*

*My favourite part of the story was the end... but I won't give it away!*

*The book doesn't have any illustrations but I like the illustrations on the front cover.*

*I would read another book by the same author because it was really exciting! I would recommend this book to anybody who likes reading investigator books. I give this book 5 stars out of 5!*

**Heather Greenan, age 11**

*An Excellent mystery story.*

*'Diamonds and Daggers' is **an excellent book full of crime, excitement and mystery** which all starts when Betty Massino's Diamond necklace is stolen and the wrong person is blamed. This book is great and has a similar plot to another story I have read called: 'Mayfair Mysteries The Case of The Ruby Necklace'.*

*My favourite character in the book was Flora because she was really imaginative and was also a great detective. I also liked Piotr, who is one of the main characters. Overall I would rate this book 8/10.*

**Holly Wilkins, age 10**

*One of the best books ever. You cannot put it down.*

***Interesting, intriguing, funny. It uses suspense to pull you in. BEST BOOK EVER.***

*Piotr's dad is accused of stealing a famous necklace. Can Piotr and his friends find the real thief so Piotr and his family do not have to leave?*

*One of my favourite books.*

*I give this book 5 out of 5.*