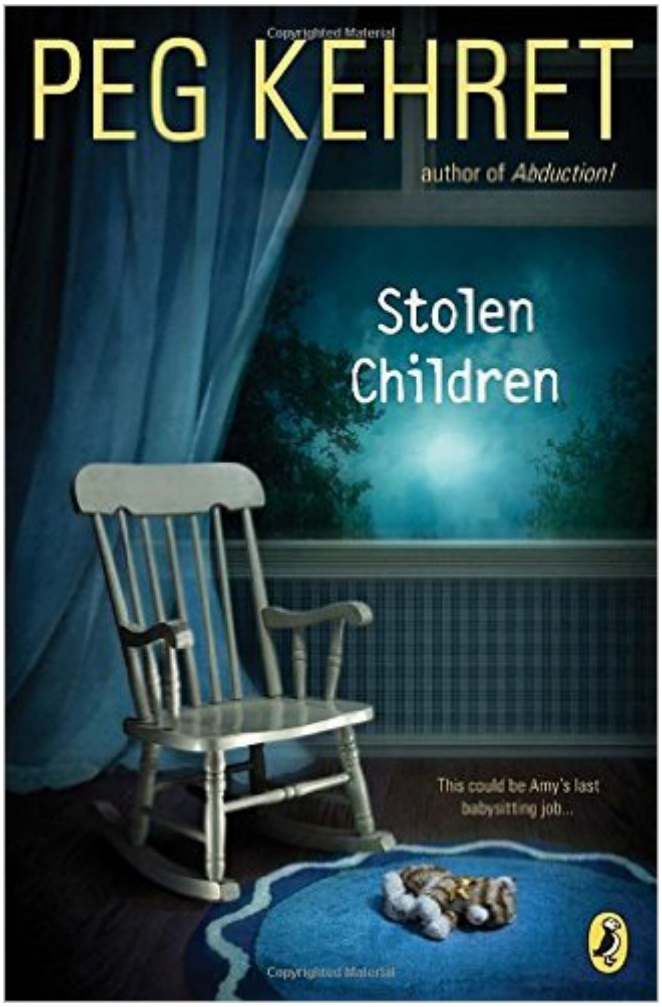
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Synopsis

When Amy agreed to baby-sit Kendra Edgerton, she had no idea she was stepping into a kidnapping plot. Two men force the girls out of the house and into a cabin in the woods, where they create DVDs to send to the families, in hopes of a large ransom from Kendra's wealthy parents. Using her wits and imagination, Amy stealthily sends clues to the police through the DVDs, but time is working against her: She has one week until her captors decide to return Kendra and get rid of Amy.

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Grade 5Ã¢â ¬â œ8Ã¢â ¬â •Amy, 14, is hired by rich Mrs. Edgerton to fill in for her regular nanny. What should have been an easy job, three-year-old Kendra being a peach to watch, turns into a terrifying experience when the two girls are kidnapped and taken to a remote cabin in the woods. The two kidnappers videotape them and send DVDs to the Edgertons to convince them to pay a ransom for Kendra. Amy realizes that the men have no intention of allowing her to leave. She begins to work subtle clues into each video, hoping her best friend will be able to decipher their meaning. Finally, one of her clues pays off and a break is made in the case. Stolen Children features an interesting story and a strong female character, but the language is sometimes stilted and Amy occasionally seems more mature than her years. This book would be a good addition to large collections, or libraries with patrons clamoring for realistic thrillers.Ã¢â ¬â •Jessica Miller, New Britain Public Library, CT Copyright Ã Â© Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

After graduating from a babysitting course, 14-year-old Amy is filling in for a wealthy familyÃ¢â ¬â„¢sÃ Â nanny one afternoonÃ Â when she and her three-year-old charge, Kendra, are kidnapped. Their two abductors have hatched a plan to take the little girl, send daily DVD messages to her parents, collect the ransom, and return her unharmed. They hit a snag, however, when their accomplice, KendraÃ¢â ¬â„¢s nanny, takes off before the scheduled heist.Ã Â Forced to take the unexpected Amy along, they headÃ Â to a derelict secluded cabin, where they bide their time for several days. AmyÃ¢â ¬â„¢s ingenuity and child-development savvy save the day, but only after a few daring escape attempts. Plot-driven and consistently paced, this quick read has ample suspense and drama. While the bad guys have a gun, it isÃ Â unused and no actual physical violence occurs, making this a worry-free recommendation for those requesting a just-thrilling-enough story. Grades 4-7. --Andrew Medlar --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

This book is a great book for children to read. I think it has some valuable lessons woven into a very exciting, easy to read book. I read the book to help my daughter with the Battle of the Books competition, but was surprised to find a very well written short story. It shows that children are capable of great things if they put their mind to it. They are able to show great compassion and maturity if the situation call for it. It also shows that they listen to us more than we think!!! Again, a very easy book with a great story and good lessons throughout.

I absolutely love this book. I read it to my 5th graders and they really liked it. I love how the author creates strong characters who have to use ingenuity to solve problems. Her characters are smart problem solvers.

My grandson who prefers video games loved this book and author! He is currently reading another one and making us happy that some books can compete with video games!

My daughter loves Kehret’s books. My only complaint is that she reads them too fast.

Great book!

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