

Enola Holmes #1: The Case of the Missing Marquess by Nancy Springer

This book is the first in a series and is set in 1884. It follows the sister of Sherlock Holmes, Enola Holmes. In the story, her mom mysteriously disappears and now Enola is stuck with her older brothers to take care of her. I loved the plot of this because even though it is sent back in time, it is still easy to understand and envision everything that is going on. There are some "old timey" type references, but nothing that is super hard to figure out. Not only did I love the plot of this book, but I also loved the characters and how Nancy Springer wrote them. She writes Enola as such a powerful young girl who is determined to find her mom and live the life she wants to. I think that all can relate to that wanting of being independent and free of society's pressures. Although I loved the personality of Enola, the same can not be said for the way that I feel toward her brothers. Both try to control Enola and her life in ways that I do not agree with. But I do appreciate how the writer wrote them and wrote them so vividly that I was able to have an opinion on them. The one thing I did not love about this book was the amount of description and scenery changes that were it. However, if you really like those types of things in books, then you will absolutely love this one. Overall, this book is moderately fast paced and filled with adventure. If you like mysteries with a strong character, this book is definitely for you.