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THE KIDNAPPING OF CHRISTINA LATTIMORE

JOAN LOWERY NIXON

FOUR-TIME EDGAR AWARD WINNER
The Kidnapping of Christina Lattimore

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Christina goes to a school for rich girls in Houston, Texas.

Christina goes to a restaurant and two strange people talk to her.

Christina feels scared.

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Her best friend Lorna comes to the restaurant and they eat hamburgers.

They talk about the school trip to France.

Christina is sad.

Her dad won't let her go on the trip.
Christina will ask her grandmother for money.

Grandma's name is Cristabel.

Cristabel will not give Christina money for the trip.

Christina is MAD!
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Christina goes home.

Something is wrong with the front door.

Christina thinks a burglar is in the house.

No one is in the house.
Christina goes to see her best friend Lorna.

When Christina gets home, a man grabs her and kidnaps her!
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Christina is locked in a basement.

Her kidnapper will not give her food.

He wants her to sign a letter to her grandmother.

The kidnapper wants money.

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Christina feels like she is in jail.

She can hear the kidnappers talking.

She knows they are Zack and Loretta.

Zack and Loretta work at the restaurant where Christina and Lorna ate hamburgers!
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Christina tries to get out of the basement.

Zack catches her.

Zack makes her take a shower.

Loretta makes her change her clothes.

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Loretta makes her watch TV.

Loretta is pointing a gun at Christina the whole time.

Zack and Loretta get money from Christina’s grandmother.

The police say that Zack, Loretta and Christina are all under arrest.

Christina is confused!
Chapter 6

Zack and Loretta tell the police Christina planned the kidnapping.

They say that she wanted to get money for her school trip to France.

Christina tells the police that she was kidnapped and locked in the basement.

The police do not know who to believe.

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Chapter 7

Detective York brings Christina home.

Christina's family does not believe that she was kidnapped.

Christina is upset.

Cristabel does not want the story to be on TV.
Detective York wants to help Christina.

T.F. Kelly wants to help Christina too.
Chapter 8

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Chapter 8

T.F. Kelly believes that Christina was kidnapped.

He saw her scared face when she came out of the kidnappers' house.

Christina's classmates don't believe that she was kidnapped.

Cristabel doesn't believe that she was kidnapped.

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Everyone thinks that Christina is lying.

T.F. Kelly is going to help Christina.
Chapter 9

T.F. Kelly and Christina are looking for facts.

Christina doesn't know who to trust.

Christina is scared.

Rosella is Christina's dad's secretary.

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Rosella makes Christina feel nervous.

Christina still doesn't know who to trust.
Della is Christina's housekeeper.

Della warns Christina not to play detective.

Della says not to trust T.F. Kelly.
Christina goes to see Loretta.

Next, Christina goes to see Detective York.

Detective York tells Christina to stop looking into the kidnapping.

The detective thinks it is dangerous for Christina.
Detective York says that he will help Christina.

Christina doesn't want to stop trying to solve the mystery.

She wants to make everyone believe her.
Chapter 11
Christina tries to call T.F. Kelly, but he doesn’t call back.

Someone calls Christina and threatens her.

They tell her to stop trying to find out more about the kidnapping.
Christina can't go back to school.

T.F. Kelly thinks that Cristabel, Della or Rosella planned the kidnapping.

Christina has a plan.
Christina calls Zack.

She tells him to meet her somewhere.

Christina follows his car to see where he goes.

Zack goes to an apartment building.

Christina gets out of her car to follow Zack.
Someone grabs Christina.

They put their hand over her mouth.
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T.F. Kelly has grabbed Christina.

He tells her it is not safe for her to be at the apartment.

T.F. Kelly says he will go inside himself.
He tells Christina to go home.

Christina leaves.

She drives back to the apartment and T.F. Kelly is not there.

Christina is confused.
Christina has a new plan.

Christina asks T.F. Kelly and Detective York to meet at her house at 11 o'clock.

Christina goes back to the house where she was kidnapped.

Christina makes Loretta leave with her.
Loretta is scared.

Loretta tells Christina that Della and her son put together the plan to kidnap her.

Loretta is arrested.

Zack is arrested.

Della is arrested.

Della's son is arrested.

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Christina solved the mystery all by herself.

Everyone now believes Christina's story.

Christina learned that it is important to be herself and to take care of herself.

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