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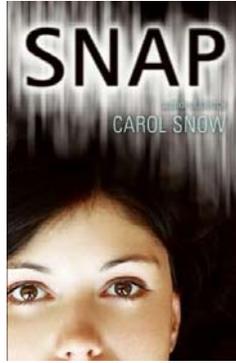
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Snow, Carol. *Snap*. HarperCollins, 2009. ISBN 9780061452116. \$16.99. 221 p.

Reviewer: Anna Swenson

Reading Level: Intermediate, Young adult

Rating: Dependable

Genre: Contemporary realistic fiction; Detective and mystery stories;

Subject: Photography--Juvenile fiction; Supernatural--Juvenile fiction; Friendship--Juvenile fiction; Books--Reviews;

Madison Sabatini had a near-perfect life, but in a flash, everything fell apart. Now she's stuck in Sandyland, living with her parents in a hotel. Instead of spending the summer with her friends at home, she's hanging out with Delilah, an artist, and Duncan, a skater boy who is definitely not her type. Madison throws herself into her passion for photography to make the best of this summer, but when strange figures start appearing in her pictures, she begins to question everything about who she is.

A fun read. Though it contains suspense and mystery, *Snap* is more of a coming-of-age novel than a ghost story. The novel revolves around Madison's transformation into a better, more caring person. At first, Madison's character is stuck-up and annoying, but as she grows as a person, she becomes more likable. The side characters are interesting and unique, though they lack slightly in development. The plot is interesting, if predictable, and the book is hard to put down once you start reading. Enjoyable as a nice, light read, though it lacks some depth--recommended for anyone looking for a short, fun book to read over a weekend.

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