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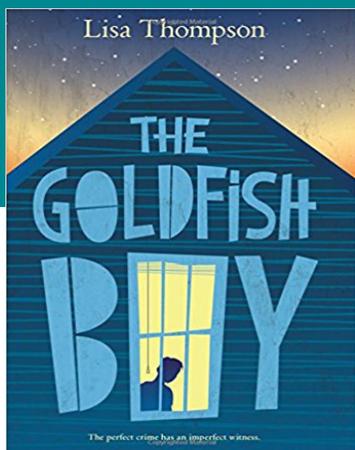
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Book Review

The Goldfish Boy

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Rating

Excellent

Level

Intermediate

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313

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Scholastic Press

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The Goldfish Boy tells the story of an observant boy who witnesses a crime. When his neighbor, little Teddy Dawson goes missing, can Matthew solve the case? Matthew rarely leaves his room and writes down his observations in his notebook. Does he have enough clues to find the missing child? As the search goes on, he makes new friends and reconnects with old ones in order to discover what happened to Teddy. As the novel progresses he learns what makes him so observant and overcomes the darkest experience of his past.

The Goldfish Boy is a charming and well-written story. Although difficult at times to keep track of all the characters, the ones the reader gets to know best are likeable and relatable. The emotions the characters feel are felt by the readers. The story is engaging and interesting. The reader has to keep going in the story to get all the answers, and the story makes the reader want those answers. The Goldfish Boy is definitely geared toward middle-grade readers, but teens and adults can enjoy it too. It's an easy read and well worth the time.

*Contains mild language.