

**TITLE:** Abduction

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**CATEGORY/GENRE:** Realistic Fiction, Action/Adventure, Suspense

**SERIES:** No

**AWARDS:** Young Hoosier Book Award, Iowa Children's Award, MASL Mark Twain Readers Award, Sequoyah Book Award, South Dakota Prairie Pasque Award

**SIMILAR BOOKS BY OTHER AUTHORS:** *Among the Enemy* by Margaret Peterson; *Theodore Boone: The Abduction* by John Grisham; *Red Kayak* by Priscila Cummings; *Eleven* by Patricia Reilly Giff

**AVAILABLE:** STC - book; Libby - available; Hoopla - not available; other libraries - ebook, MP3 audiobook

**ABOUT THIS BOOK:** Six-year-old Matt and his thirteen-year-old sister Bonnie have been taught by their mother about “stranger danger”, so Bonnie is immediately on alert when her brother does not meet her for the school bus ride home. Knowing Matt would not willingly go with a stranger, the police are called to investigate the kidnapping. There doesn't seem to be any suspects and even though fliers about Matt are being posted everywhere, no new leads are coming in either. Despite their fears and the media attention, Bonnie's mother finally convinces her to go to a Mariner's baseball game with her friends and there she sees Matt with his father, Denny. Matt has never known his father, but Bonnie knows he is an ill-tempered and disturbed man. She knows she should immediately go for help, but she doesn't want to let Matt out of her sight. Bonnie follows them as they leave the stadium and the situation becomes volatile when Matt sees her.

**YOU MIGHT LIKE THIS BOOK IF...** you like mystery, action, and suspense in a book. This book is a cautionary tale about not going anywhere with strangers and learning about the dangers of doing so. It is also the story of “missed opportunities” as many people in the story decided they didn't want to get involved in helping, even though the signs were there that they needed to. This is a story of family love and the actions you would take to protect them from harm.