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Once upon a time there was a man who loved children. He loved them so much he tried to save them from their imperfect parents. Unfortunately, Hector Woollie didn't work for Child Protective Services . . . and the children he rescued, he murdered.

Once upon a time, Leslie had a happy marriage, a happy son, and a happy life. Now divorced, she is trapped in ongoing battles with her ex-husband, Roger, especially over their newly-adolescent son, Ian.

When Ian and his young stepsister disappear, Roger insists the boy kidnapped the girl, while Leslie thinks Ian might have run away. She prays that her son is near and will come home soon.

Ian is near-right next door, just on the other side of a shared wall. Ian can hear his parents fighting and his mother's desperate weeping, but he can't call for help. Hector Woollie has him and his stepsister, and if either child makes a peep, the madman will slit both their throats.

### Silent Children Details

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## From Reader Review Silent Children for online ebook

### Jenn says

This was a very difficult book to get into. It wasn't until the last third of the story that my interest was peaked, and even then I kept waiting for something to happen that never did. The ending and epilogue felt like the author had just given up.

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### Jerry Balzano says

See my review of *The Overnight* for a more thorough discussion of why I'm currently "paused" at the 75%-mark of both that book and this one, and for my thoughts about the redoubtable Ramsey Campbell, a most unique horror writer.

UPDATE: All right, I finished it, and overall I have to say it was something of a disappointment, definitely a minor work of Campbell's, in my estimation.

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### Leah says

Solid idea with the potential for high creep factor; unfortunately, there was too much revealed too early. It felt predictable and anti-climactic in parts as if there was nothing really left to discover or find out. And the characters weren't all that likeable, which caused me to disconnect and not really care about their survival. So my first experience with Campbell wasn't great but I plan to read one or two more anyway. 2.5 stars

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### Ignacio Senao f says

Siempre igual colega, hace librazos o auténticos mojonazos. Este es una gran mierda.

Una mujer con su hijo vive con los papas, estos se fueron de su casa ya que encontraron a un niño enterrado entre el hormigón de una obra que le hicieron en casa, ya que el albañil era un asesino. Ahora esta mujer quiere irse con su hijo a solas a esa casa. Que no vayas, que no vayas, pero va coño.

Ahí podrías imaginar que empieza a vivir cosas terroríficas en la casa. PUES AIRE. Se convierte en una historia romántica con engaños. Vaya leñazo de libro...

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### Karl says

This hardcover was printed by Forge books (Tor) in 2001.

The novel concerns a serial killer of children who buries his victims in the houses he renovates for

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customers.

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### **Olethros says**

-¿Basta, en general, con arropar narrativamente una idea sencilla para hacer novela de horror?.-

Género. Novela.

Lo que nos cuenta. Hector Woollie es un responsable de reformas que esconde los cadáveres de los niños a los que mata en aquellos domicilios en los que es contratado para trabajar, pero que muere ahogado tras ser descubierto por un empleado al que enfrenta en una balsa. La última casa que Woollie usó como improvisado camposanto pertenece a una mujer, Leslie, divorciada, con un hijo adolescente que parece ir por el mal camino y que no se consigue llevar bien con su pequeña hermanastra perversamente infantil, que decide alquilar una habitación a un escritor muy interesado en realizar una obra sobre Woollie y sus asesinatos.

¿Quiere saber más de este libro, sin spoilers? Visite:

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### **Rowan MacBean says**

I read until chapter ten and then gave up out of complete disinterest.

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### **Nancy says**

Another can't put down scary novel from beginning to end...

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### **Laurie says**

Slow... had good promise, but the "wow!" never kicked in.

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### **Caroline says**

A little too slow moving.

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### **Susanz says**

After reading some reviews I was unsure about this book. After getting into it, I ended up liking it more than

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I expected.

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**Mary Whidden says**

Interesting thriller by an English author.

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**Erica says**

Not great- dragged and dragged. The plot was good but the author got so caught up in the minutiae that I skimmed through the last few chapters. Pretty disappointing.

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