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A young woman begs Sherlock Holmes to help find her missing fiancé, but the great detective makes an uncharacteristic mistake. Then Sherlock's daughter, Lucy James, takes on a missing person case of her own, but she must also keep a vicious criminal away from Becky, Lucy's ten-year-old sister-in-law. Little Becky soon becomes dangerously involved in both cases. No one foresees the devastating news that Sherlock Holmes has been murdered.

The newest adventure in this popular mystery series takes us from the Old Bailey courthouse and the seacoast lairs of smugglers to a grand British country estate and the posh financial headquarters of Lloyd's of London. For Watson, Sherlock and Lucy, survival will require valor, sacrifice, and acts that go far, far outside the law.

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Susan says

1898 and at a trial Sherlock Holmes is approached by Miss Florence Janine to find her missing fiancé, Inspector John Swafford. Unfortunately he doesn't consider the case with any urgency. Meanwhile Lucy James investigates the case of the missing personal maid of Lady Lynley. Also the British government wants Holmes to locate if it exists missing opium from three ships, supposedly lost in a typhoon but one of the crates has turned up in London.

Another interesting well-written mystery in this series. I also like the main characters of this series plus Dr. Watson and the family of Lucy.

It is easily read as a standalone story but I would recommend reading the earlier books to chart the progression of the interplay between the characters.

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Annarella says

it's the first book I read in this series and it won't surely be last.

I appreciated the style of writing, the fleshed out characters and found the plot entertaining and engaging.

I look forward to reading other books in this series.

Highly recommended!

Many thanks to the publisher and Netgalley for this ARC

Kate says

Holmes has faked his own death before. But this time, there are witnesses to his shooting. And he hasn't just disappeared. His coat has been recovered from the water, with bullet holes and blood!

Die Again, Mr. Holmes is the latest in Charles Veley and Anna Elliott's Sherlock Holmes & Lucy James Mystery series. This eighth book takes readers to the seacoast and a grand British country estate — as well as inside the iconic Lloyd's of London — to solve a crime and revenge the death of Watson's partner and Lucy's Father.

At the novel's start, both Lucy and Sherlock find themselves involved in finding missing persons, but of course the real mystery is so much more complicated than that. Lucy's sleuthing and Sherlock's case dovetail, so they find themselves collaborating to solve the crime, yet Sherlock, making an uncharacteristic mistake, appears to have been murdered before the disparate pieces can all come together!

With so many twists and turns, the plot is a well constructed feast for fans of the whodunnit. Constant action holds readers engaged, while complications in the story keep them guessing. And the authors continue to

adeptly develop their characters so that audiences feel invested in the action.

Die Again, Mr. Holmes is a great read for all ages who love excitement of mysteries, though it is especially perfect for those who crave daring female leads. More family friendly than other reprisals of the iconic Sherlock Holmes mysteries, Veley and Elliott's versions are a wholesome pleasure for readers who crave adventure, intrigue, and empowerment.

Coralee Hicks says

The father daughter writing team of Charles Veley and Anna Elliott have created a series that adds wonderfully to the Sherlock Holmes adaptations. In this version, Sherlock is a father. His daughter, Lucy is every bit as intelligent like her father has mastered deductive reasoning. An American actress, now living in London, she is newly married to Jack, who now works for Scotland Yard. Completing their family is Becky who is Jack's younger sister.

In this novel, Sherlock takes on the opium trade. When asked to assist the crown in locating a huge missing shipment of the drug, he declines. While opium use is legal in Britain, at this time, Holmes sees the damage caused by addiction, thus chooses not to participate. He is drawn back into the matter when three people he was helping are found dead. Trouble is also headed towards Becky, Jack's ward. Her father has been released from prison and is determined to reclaim her. Becky's usual spunky resilience is completely submerged by the terrifying prospect of living with her father.

The novel is written from two points of view. Charles Veley writes the chapters narrated by Watson. Anna Elliott writes with Lucy's voice. The vocabulary and descriptions are well researched leading the reader to feel they are back in 1898 with Holmes and his company. Witnesses do report Holmes drowning in the Thames. Is another adventure like that found at Reichenbach Falls? No spoilers here.

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