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Joe Nelson is a pediatrician in Eastern Kentucky and is being sued for malpractice involving the death of a four-year-old girl. The child was the niece of the wealthiest man in town, and the trial is not going well. Then it gets worse. While sitting in his car outside his lawyer's office, someone shoots at Joe. The police seem convinced that he has faked the shooting, especially since the shot was fired with his own gun. The next day in court, Joe realizes that his patient's death was not an accident or malpractice, it was murder. When one of the plaintiffs is murdered, Joe becomes the prime suspect. He must use all of his medical knowledge and deductive reasoning to solve the crime-and save his own life.

## Mal Practice Details

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### Lorrie says

I won this book in a Goodreads giveaway.

The mark of a good mystery is the "who done it" factor that keeps the reader guessing. This book had me guessing to the end. It's a very good read.

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### Suzanne Hall says

Mal Practice opens with action, and the excitement builds from chapter to chapter. Dr. Joe Nelson, the protagonist, is a quiet character who's depth unfolds along with the story.

My favorite character is Carolyn, Joe's witty, spunky, and ambitious wife. Too bad there's a divorce in progress!

Might Mal Practice be the first in a series? I'd love to read more about Joe, and watch his complexity continue to develop.

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### Eager Reader says

I really enjoyed this book. The characters were people any one can relate to, the story line solid and interesting, and the mystery engaging right up to the end.

The action moves between hospital and courtroom and I admit I've never been a fan of medical mysteries but the characters in this one are o likable that the story held my interest.

Its a quick red. I'd recommend it.

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### Terry Crawford Palardy says

Paul Janson's new book, his first novel, introduces a new protagonist about whom readers will no doubt want to read more. Joe Nelson, a coal miner turned pediatrician (the hard way, with years of study and family encouragement)has a calm, easy-going personality, a beautiful, equally-talented wife (also an emergency room doctor)and a practice in the small town he wants to serve ... the small town where he grew up ... the small town where almost everyone is related to almost everyone, and secrets kept are deep.

Dr. Nelson is accused of malpractice, The local police and local lawyers and local court and local jury are all looking into his life, his possible ineptitude and his character. With everything on the table and little else to lose, Joe begins his own investigation into the death of his patient, as Joe alone knows of his own innocence.

Joe's ongoing romantic involvement with his soon to be ex-wife puzzles some and intrigues the reader. Other characters develop as Joe's investigation begins; some are those who stand to lose both money and credibility

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should his investigating expose their motives, and some are those who see and appreciate Joe's capacity for putting the puzzle pieces together. Joe himself is then a target for those might have a motive and a means of having killed his young patient three years ago, and a recipient of benevolent assets and support from those who want him to succeed in exposing the guilty.

Family, relationships, community, enmity, greed and murder are all key elements of this engaging novel. Just enough medical detail is shared to keep the reader grounded in the story. I strongly recommend it to all readers of mysteries, and all readers of medical murder. And it is my fervent wish, as a reader, to know more of what will happen in the lives of these main characters. I see series potential.

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### **Janice Spina says**

When writing a novel - writing what you know is the best way to go. This author has done just that. He is a doctor working in a mining town in an ED, emergency room. The pace of Mal Practice is swift and action filled with plenty of twists and turns and surprises. It all begins when a four-year-old little girl dies in an emergency room supposedly from an overdose of medication that is supposed to save her life. Only one person, Dr. Joe Nelson, who treated the child, could be responsible or so it seems. When Dr. Nelson goes on trial for this death strange things come to fold and nothing is what it seems. Even his lawyer's trust is questionable. His wife, soon to be ex, comes to his aid along with a Sergeant Moore from the police department who believe in his innocence.

There are many players in this novel, some whom can be trusted, others not so much. The characters are well defined and interesting and the author makes you care about them. A thoroughly enjoyable and quick read which I could not put down. I look forward to more exciting novels from this talented author.

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### **Denise says**

Full Disclosure: Paul Janson, the author of Mal Practice, gave me a copy of this book in exchange for an honest review, and that in no way affects the review that follows.

After I had thoroughly enjoyed reading Paul Janson's latest mystery novel, The Ice Cream War, he gave me the opportunity to read Mal Practice, and I am so glad that I did! This (Mal Practice) was Paul's first novel and, already in it, the characters are so well-drawn and grab you right from the beginning. The protagonist, pediatrician Joe Nelson, manages to stay very level-headed despite being sued for malpractice, shot at, and accused of murder -- all while he is in the process of getting a divorce. If all of those events sound like they would not be fun subjects, don't be fooled -- Mal Practice is witty, charming, and entertaining as well as a very good mystery with a plot that kept me guessing til the end. The other characters play opposite Joe really well, and Mr. Janson writes exceptionally good dialogue. This is another winner, and I am looking forward now to reading Scratch next -- his YA novel about a pet cat with magical powers!

Thank you, Paul, and keep writing!

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## **Maggie Galen says**

I truly enjoyed Paul Jansen's book, Mal Practice! It was one of those books that I just couldn't put down and found myself looking at the clock wondering how it got to be midnight and saying, "just one more chapter."

I admit that I had a feeling, early on in the story, about 'who done it,' but there are several twists and turns throughout the book that make you need to continue.

I would recommend this book to anyone interested in a good, page-turning, suspenseful novel.

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## **Diane says**

Medicine mystery and murder. Paul Janson's first novel is a quick read. I recommend this book to anyone who enjoys a good mystery.

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