

Inspector Logan

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Before reading

1. Look at the front cover. Read the blurb on the back cover and the *Contents* on page 3. What do you think the story is going to be about?
2. Look at *People in the story* on page 4. Now look at the pictures on pages 5, 7 and 10. Who are the people in the pictures?
3. Look at the maps of Edinburgh and Scotland on page 4. How much do you know about this city and country?
4. If you have the cassette, listen to Chapter 1.

Check your reading

CHAPTER 1

1. Logan or Grant? Who ...
 - a is about fifty-five years old?
 - b has a new job in a new city?
 - c is twenty-six years old?
 - d has short brown hair and brown eyes?
 - e wore an old blue jacket and black trousers?
2. Match Kerr's answers to Logan's questions.
 - 1 'When did your wife go out?'
 - 2 'And she didn't come home last night?'
 - 3 'Is she often out all night?'
 - 4 'What clothes did she have on?'
 - 5 'Is there anything wrong? Is your wife unhappy?'
 - 6 'Is she with friends? Or with family?'
 - a 'No. We're very happy.'
 - b 'Yesterday ... At lunchtime, I think.'
 - c 'A white pullover and a black skirt. ... And a dark red coat. She had a brooch on the front of the coat.'
 - d 'Nobody knows where she is.'
 - e 'No ... Never.'
 - f 'That's right.'
3. Why do you think Grant didn't call Logan 'madam'?

CHAPTER 2

1. True, false or don't know?
 - a Tommy saw Margaret Kerr on Princes Street.
 - b Margaret said sorry when she pushed into him.
 - c Margaret wore a red coat, a black skirt and a white pullover.
 - d Margaret looked sad.
 - e Margaret got into a red car.
 - f The driver of the car was a man.
 - g The driver was tall with light brown hair.
2. What do you think happened to Margaret Kerr?

CHAPTER 3

1. Who said what?
 - a 'How did she die?'
 - b 'We found her bag.'
 - c 'Her last call was to an Andrew Buchan.'
 - d 'Please, Inspector, ask your questions.'
 - e 'He's a doctor, I think.'
 - f 'But you can drive?'

Logan Grant Kerr McCoist

2. Robert Kerr – true or false?
 - a He can drive.
 - b He has a car.
 - c He knows Andrew Buchan well.
 - d He knows which street Buchan lives in.
 - e He knows the number of Buchan's house.

CHAPTER 4

1. Put the words in these questions in the right order.
 - 1 'you Kerr how know do Margaret?'
 - 2 'her you Saturday did after see?'
 - 3 'a have do car Dr Buchan you?'
 - 4 'it colour is what?'
2. Now match the answers to the questions in 1.
 - a 'Blue.'
 - b 'No.'
 - c 'Of course.'
 - d 'We were lovers.'
3. You are Logan. Write three questions that you want to ask Buchan at London Road police station.

CHAPTER 5

1. Look at the first paragraph on page 22. Did you ask the same questions as Logan?
2. Put the events in the right order.
 - a Logan asked Grant to bring Kerr into the station.
 - b Logan and Grant went to Logan's office for tea.
 - c Logan made some phone calls.
 - d Logan and Grant questioned Andrew Buchan.
 - e Grant gave Logan a bag with a brooch in it.
3. Who do you think Logan spoke to on the phone?

CHAPTER 6

1. Look at the words in italics. Who are *I*, *he*, *her*?
 - a 'But *I*'m not happy about one or two things.'
 - b '*He* didn't put it in the bag in front of his house.'
 - c 'You didn't see *her* leave the house on Sunday afternoon.'
 - d '*He* told us that your wife was his lover.'
 - e '*I* wanted her dead. *I* killed her.'

Buchan Logan Robert Kerr Margaret Kerr
2. Why did Logan call Paterson's cars? (Look back at Chapter 3. What did Logan see on the table in Kerr's house?)
3. Why do you think Grant called Logan 'madam' at the end of the story?

After reading

Choose some of these activities.

1. Imagine you are a film director. You are making *Inspector Logan*. Which actors could play Logan, Grant, Buchan and Kerr?
2. Kerr made some mistakes which helped Logan to catch him. What were his biggest mistakes?
3. Which two characters do you like most in the story? Why?
4. Choose five of the pictures. Write a sentence about each picture.
5. Look at page 22. Margaret Kerr phoned Buchan on Sunday morning. Write their conversation.
6. Imagine you are a newspaper reporter. Write the story of the Margaret Kerr killing. Choose two pictures for your story.
7. Word search. There are 10 words from the story in this puzzle. How many can you find?

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8. Make a quiz about the story for other students to do. e.g. Write some *Who said what?* questions.
9. Here is the blurb from another book at this level.

The Big Picture

Ken Harada takes photos for newspapers. But life gets dangerous when Ken takes a photo of a sumo star. Someone wants the photo badly. But who? And why?

Do you want to read *The Big Picture*?