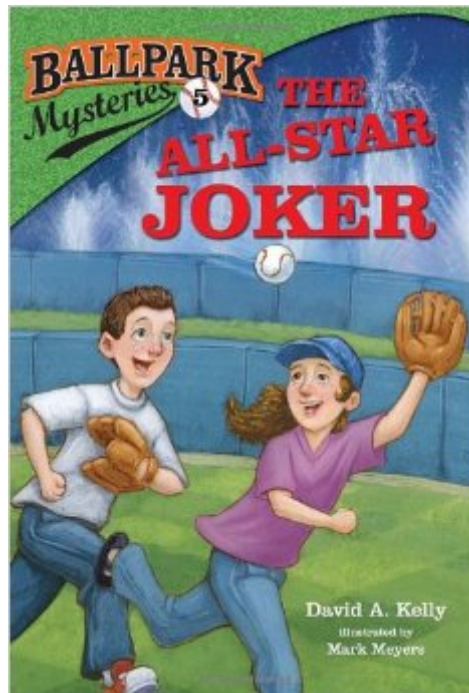


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# Ballpark Mysteries #5: The All-Star Joker (A Stepping Stone Book(TM))



## Synopsis

Next up to the plate! Book #5 in our early chapter book mystery series, where each book is set in a different American ballpark! The stars are out in Kansas City . . . the baseball stars, that is! Mike and Kate are at the All-Star game, and even get to go on the field during the Home Run Derby to catch pop-ups! That's where they meet Andy, whose dad, Josh Robinson, is an All-Star catcher. But before the Home Derby ends, Josh finds himself in hot water. Someone is playing practical jokes on the other players, and the coach is sure it's him. Andy swears his dad is innocent. Who would want to frame Josh? And why? The All-Star Joker includes a fun fact page about Kansas City's stadium. Cross Ron Roy's A to Z mystery series with Matt Christopher's sports books and you get the Ballpark Mysteries: fun, puzzling whodunnits aimed at the younger brothers and sisters of John Feinstein's fans.

## Book Information

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Age Range: 6 - 9 years

Grade Level: 1 - 4

## Customer Reviews

The Ballpark Mysteries Series by David A Kelly is a great fiction series about mysteries which happen in Major League baseball parks. My 3 grandchildren (2 boys, 1 girl--ages 7, 9, and almost 11) all enjoy them. The readability of them and the mystery keep them interested until the last page. They look forward to the release of each new book. Great series for both girls and boys, especially

boys since it is baseball. Wish Mr. Kelly or someone would write a series about GIRLS' softball or Girls' soccer.

My son loves these books. Inhales them. He's passionate about baseball and finds these books engaging and fun. There are many things I like about them too. Always fun to find an excellent children's author.

We gave the "All Star Joker" and "Fenway Foul-Up" as a Xmas gift to our 8 year old grandson, who loves baseball and is heavily into Wii and other electronic games. Not only did he read both within (1) week while on Xmas vacation, but he then asked his Mom to take him to the library, and they checked out the other (3) BallPark mysteries, which he has now completed. We are so proud of him, and it's a real tribute to the creativity and style of the author, David Kelly, for writing such interesting books for elementary school age children. We now suggested to our grandson that he write his own mystery based on the Little League field he plays at. Hope Mr. Kelly doesn't mind the competition! P.S. I just ordered from .com, and received today, Mr. Kelly's first book, "Babe Ruth and the Baseball Curse", and will be giving it to our grandson this weekend. Also, we anxiously await the "Wrigley Riddle" coming out in February, as we are long suffering Cubs fans, and hope the "Riddle" will give us some insight into how the Cubs haven't won a World Series in 104 years!

This book combined baseball, kids' perspectives , doing the right thing (helping others) and detective work or mysteries. My kids love what they call spy stories!

i enjoy this series a lot. i would recomend this book to kids that are in ages 7 to 11. This book rocked. It is amazing book.

Mystery. I love to read mystery stories. Those spell-binding stories with intriguing events easily arouse my curiosity. Surely, a book that I can't put down until I read the last page. David A. Kelly is once again the master mystery story teller in Ballpark Mysteries #5... When Mike and Kate join Andy on the playing field during an All Star game at Kansas City Stadium and catch pop-ups during the Home Run derby, some body decides to play a practical join on the other players. But Who??? And so here it is, another action-packed, fun-filled, who-done-it, mystery. Using baseball as a platform, mystery writer David A. Kelly combines his crime thriller expertise with Matt Christopher's sports stories to give kids a delightful baseball story. I like it, give it five stars, and I'm Marvin P. Ferguson,

author of BOYS ON THE GOLD COAST.

I had bought for my 11 years old son....but he didn't like the title, subjects....he said: it is for little kids!!! Then my 7 years old son decided to read. Then he loved it!!

Good Book Series for Young Boys. Timely Delivery

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