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## What Holly Heard Details

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## **From Reader Review What Holly Heard for online ebook**

### **David Popovich says**

Overall, this is a good standard Fear Street book, but it's one of those stories that the more you think about the actions that happened you wonder if maybe there were no good or bad players. I feel the book misplaced who should have been the protagonist. Instead of Holly, she's treated as a side character that puts the plot in motion, but the person we follow doesn't hit home with the stuff that happens. More details here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N7aWX...>

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### **Chelsea Gouin says**

Holly is the biggest gossip at Shadyside High, just ask her two best friends Miriam and Ruth. Holly should be happy cheering on the Shadyside Tigers with her friends and devoted boyfriend Gary, but all she can think of is Noah...too bad he's dating Mei. But then Holly overhears Mei threatening to end her Mom's life...and when her mother turns up dead the next morning Miriam thinks it's time to pull in the authorities. Holly disagrees...then she ends up dead. Everyone is a suspect because no one liked Holly's loose lips. This volume was a major disappointment. With only two deaths and then a hamster murder, this book was short on horror and even the suspense was poorly devised. The red herring was too glaringly obvious to be taken seriously and the big reveal was orchestrated too early on to be a shock. A disappointing addition to the series.

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### **Lazar says**

Really good !

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### **paige turner says**

I read the title to this R.L. Stine Fear Street book and just had to know what it was that Holly had heard. I think I was expecting too much. I felt like it was undeniable about what the big scandal was, but I was just disappointed. I mean, it was still a good read, but it was just okay compared to the other Fear Street novels that I have read. The ending was a little cheesy, and although I was surprised by who the killer was and the motivation, I still felt like it wasn't what I was hoping it would be.

I thought Holly would have been the main character; I think it would have been interesting from her point of view. I wanted to know more about Mei and her boyfriend, even in the beginning at the party; there was just something off about the way things happened with Holly and Noah, I mean, something was missing there.

There were some decent parts; I think Miriam's suspicion would have been how any reasonable person would react when there are so many bad things happening, everyone is suspicious.

I do think Ruth was extreme, but I have watched documentaries where people have killed for less. Holly was

just... I mean, she was just a horrible person, but she didn't have to die because Ruth is a psycho. But what's done is done, it was still entertaining, I wish it was more than just okay.

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### **Shannon says**

[Ruth beating her hamsters to death with a hammer to frame Mei and Noah (hide spoiler)]

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### **Martina Munoz says**

This is the best book I've read!  
It's amazing!

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### **Drucilla says**

[I'm glad she dies and for the reason that she does (hide spoiler)]

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### **Amber says**

in 2013 my local library was getting ride of all paperback books and they had all the R.L. Stine / Christopher Pike books so I bought all of them and read them with a massive teen book marathon .. I really hope that a whole new generation of teens gets to fall in love with these books !!! as they are simply the best I loved all of these books in my teens .. :) and I really enjoyed going down memory lane re reading them as an adult ... :)

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### **BrideOfRolande says**

I read this book when I was pretty young needless to say it scared the crap out of me. Very grisly for a teen book.

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### **Hedvig says**

I had a lot of fun reading this book; there where genuinely tense/scary moments and a nice twist ending. There was one thing that could've been handled better; Miriam's mom forcing her to go back to the school where she found her best friends body *two days after finding said body* just so Miriam could run into Mei and Noah. But that's the only thing that really annoyed me.

I didn't figure out that Ruth was the murderer, but I should've (especially since I knew pretty much immediately that she was in love with Holly's not so nicely treated boyfriend).

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## Trevor Wells says

OK, I'll admit it. I purposely procrastinated finishing this book so I could include it for my 2015 Reading Challenge. I did it, and I have no shame! Now that I've gotten that out of the way, back to *What Holly Heard*. It was a pretty good Fear Street book, even though I was able to predict who the killer was.

Plot Synopsis: Holly Silva is the biggest gossip in Shadyside High. Her friends, Miriam and Ruth, have become accustomed to Holly's gossip, even though Ruth strongly disapproves of Holly's gossipy ways. But then, Holly hears something she shouldn't have heard...and now she and her friends know someone's deep dark secret. When Holly is murdered, Miriam and Ruth begin to fear for their lives. How far will the killer go to protect their secret?

The plot had some nice twists in it and the final confrontation was very nice. However, during the third act of the book, I already had suspicions that (view spoiler)

But now, time for the negatives. I'm not sure if Holly was supposed to be horrible, but she really came off as that. Besides her gossip, she strung her boyfriend Gary along when she clearly favored Noah. She even went as far as to dress provocatively at a party to grab his attention. Oh, and did I mention that Noah has a girlfriend? Yeah, Holly's kind of awful.

But besides that, *What Holly Heard* was a pretty good Fear Street story. The plot was interesting, the twist was decent, and the characters were pretty interesting. I recommend this to any Fear Street fan.

Pros: The interesting plot, the good twists, and the depth of the villain's motivations.

Cons: Holly's bad characterization and the fact that you might be able to predict who the killer is.

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## Zeilenflieger says

Die fear street Bücher sind immer spannend, keine Frage, aber man merkt doch schon dass es irgendwie immer das gleiche ist wenn man bis 5 Bücher gelesen hat. Zuerst verdächtigt man den einen, dann doch einen anderen, dann irgendwann wieder den ersten, und zum Schluss ist es immer eine Person mir der man überhaupt nicht rechnet. Trotzdem mag ich es immer wieder eins so dazwischen zu lesen.

Hier geht es um Miriam und ihre zwei Besten Freundinnen Ruth und Holly. Holly ist die Gossip Queen der Schule und weiß über alle neusten Gerüchte Bescheid. Leider endet diese Neugierigkeit für sie fatal. Miriam und Ruth glauben dass zwei Schüler aus ihrer Schule waren. Und auch Jed, Miriams Freund scheint irgendwie verändert zu sein, war es also doch Jed der Holly auf dem Gewissen hat? Denn schließlich wusste Holly etwas über Jed das niemand wissen soll.

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### **Jana says**

I didn't expect it how the ending turned out.

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### **Carol Flythe says**

I used to gobble up R.L. Stine when I was a kid and teenager. I decided I wanted to see if they were still as good as I remembered so I checked some out from the library. I can say that they are super tame compared to what I read now but I can see why I enjoy the books I do now as an adult. They are violent or too gory and to me the teens he writes seem ok aside from the murder and betrayal.

Also, Holly was an idiot and I totally knew who did it before it was revealed LOL but I do love a good mystery even if most the time I know who the killer is.

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### **Antonina Busalacchi says**

R.L Stine's What Holly Heard imposes the fearfulness of what goes on throughout Holly's high school days. Stine's What Holly Heard mesmerized me with its spookiness and scary style.

The theme of this book is to never go around spreading rumors because you never know what may happen down the road. Holly is the main character and is the gossip seaker who hears the latest news about everyone. Ruth is one of Holly's friends and is the most shy and doesn't say a lot. Miriam is also another one of Holly's friends. The setting of this book takes place at a high school called Shadyside High. The setting feels real to me in my perspective because it does take place at an high school and can relate in my life today. The plot around this story is that Holly has learned a terrible secret about someone and now her friends Ruth and Miriam know about it too. But someone, we dont know yet wants to make sure that she would never talk about it and is willing to go to any extreme lengths like threats or even murder to keep her quiet just so she will not say the secret. I think this book does relate to issues today because there is gossip and rumors that spread to one another everyday.

I think this book overall is a great book. Its a book that has you on your toes to keep reading and reading. I like how every chapter I read I determined something new so it always kept me wondering what was going to happen next. I recommend this book to anyone who likes suspense and surprise.

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