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## **The Phone Goes Dead Details**

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## From Reader Review The Phone Goes Dead for online ebook

**Matthew says**

It's such a cliff hanger

**peiman-mir5 rezakhani says**

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### **Airi Mizoguchi says**

The book "Phone Goes Dead", was really interesting, in my opinion. It showed the connection between the underworld and the living world. 16 year old David Adams was gifted a second hand phone, whose previous owner was murdered. The phone starts to reach different unknown calls from people that he never knew before, and learns that they were all dead. The strangers from the unknown asks David to pass the messages to the living.

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### **Ushna says**

The ending I didn't really understand but the book it self is really freaky ?

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### **Molly says**

It was a good book read again if you have some spare time

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### **Nicole says**

Such a quick short read, but such a cool creepy story this would have been perfect in October!

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### **Corey Walsh says**

I think the book is one of the best i have read and i thin antony horowitz the phone goes dead and bathe night are my favorite i would buy all of his books and pay whatever price they are i read them at school with my teacher

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### **Theodore Murphy says**

This was the first really scary book I ever read. It gave me nightmares. Do not let the fact that it is short make you think it has no impact. Sweet dreams! Ha, Ha! Ha!

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## **Chiara says**

scary

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## **Ahmad Sharabiani says**

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## **Owen Law says**

The horror didn't really impact that much. However, the word choice was good, making the book overall pretty average.

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## **Bookish Indulgences with b00k r3vi3ws says**

### **Short & Freaky!**

It gave me more of a freaky feeling rather than horror. But being a really short read, it doesn't really get a chance to set up the mood for the horror. Also, not a very unique concept, but has been treated and delivered perfectly. The book kept me engaged throughout.

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### **Arezoo says**

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### **Irvine says**

Name Irvine Date 02/09/2014

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Story Elements

This book takes place on the Isle of Wight. Day time and night time. He lives in a hill close to the beach.

The main character is David Adams and he/she is kind and also scared.

Because the dead people phone him and he becomes scared but he does the things the dead ask him to do.

Another character is Mark Adams and he/she is Busy and works a lot.

Because first of he works as a teacher and also manages a hotel.

Another character is Jane Adams and he/she is busy working a lot.

Because she is a teacher and also works at the hotel and manages the payment.

David Adams got a phone from a person who died and now he has a connection to the dead and is asked to do things to help out a family and when he gets more and more calls he becomes scared. In the end the parents get a phone call from him from the exact same phone to contact the dead.

Events which happens in the story

1. He gets a new phone
2. He gets a phone call from a stranger and then when he is done helping realizes he was already dead
3. He discovers that it can contact the dead
4. He is not doing well in school because he gets scared
5. He starts ignoring the phone calls
6. Mother and father get news that a bus has been crashed and right after the news they get a phone call from the dead phone which is David.

The ending was when the parents were in the hotel and saw the news and saw that there was a bus crash where there kid was and that's when David's phone starts ringing and find out that it was... find out who it was read the book.

There wasn't a lesson in the book but I think the author was trying to get across to the readers that you should help people if they can't do it themselves but it should be a good thing.

#### Opinion:

My opinion of the book is that I liked/ disliked it because I liked the book because it was short and easy to understand and even though it was short the interesting parts never took long they always came making the reader curious all the time.

The book was predictable/not predictable because the book was predictable at times such as the end of the book was predictable and when David got a phone call I never knew that it was from a dead person. The ending of the book was interesting but annoying due to the fact that it left me on a cliff hanger so I never knew what would happen. My favorite part was when he got a phone call from a dead person and did what the dead told him to do. A connection I made with the book was that David surfs as a free time and that's what I do to.

#### Recommendation:

I would recommend this book to children because I really enjoyed this book and if others like horror or short books which are interesting the whole time. A rating for this book would be 8/10 because it left me on a cliff hanger and I don't like that because I'm going to keep on wondering for the rest of my life or as long as I can remember the book what happens next but people are different I don't like cliffhangers others do.

I liked the author's style how he doesn't have it as three narrators such as when in one book there are 3 characters and you read separate things about them and what they are doing.

For example, in the garbage king which is another book. They did that and when I read it I had to read boring things of people I did not like I only liked the things of one person.

Overall I really like this book and enjoy it. It has a nice front cover picture that's what I like about books so that's why I read it. The book isn't really scary not for me but it had some good parts such as terrifying everlasting parts such as when this girl is going to destroy well you're going to have to read on to know what she destroys and what happens and that's not all this book also includes two terrifying stories short and interesting read it to find out how both characters end up either dead or alive find out!

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#### **Lucas says**

Good book. Good to read if you're into horror

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