ONE OF US IS LYING

by Karen McManus

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Rating (0 stars is the absolute worst, 10 stars is the BEST BOOK EVER)



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One of Us Is Lying by Karen M. McManus is a mystery that involves five high school seniors by the names of Bronwyn ("the brain"), Addy ("the beauty"), Nate ("the criminal"), Cooper ("the athlete"), and Simon ("the outcast"). When the five of them are in detention together and Simon drops dead from an allergic reaction, all signs point to murder, and Bronwyn, Addy, Nate, and Cooper are the suspects- and they all have motives. The story and mysteries and secrets further unfold as the teens' lives start falling apart, and it truly does keep you wondering right up until the reveal who killed Simon.

It was such an entertaining read, with a handful of unexpected twists, reveals, and happenings. I finished reading it less than a week after I first got it, reading whenever I could and reading more chapters than I intended each day because I genuinely could not put it down and really wanted to see what was going to happen next. The way the pieces connected was satisfying and I loved that the book was written alternating POVs of the main four, which just made everything a lot better. In short, One of Us Is Lying is a very good book, and I highly recommend you read it if you're into murder mysteries.

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