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Professor Monroe, did you kill your wife?

Professor Robert Monroe's wife has vanished from their 5-star hotel in Gstaad, and no one saw a thing. Was she kidnapped? Or did she run off with the handsome Italian she and Robert partied with the night before?

## Avalanche Details

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## From Reader Review Avalanche for online ebook

### Mr Kenneth L Mullen says

#### Another great short read

Not what I expected when I saw the title but it turned into a great tale with quite a few twists and turns. Keep the coming?

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### Matt says

Espionage is always something that BookShots help make even more intense, with the quick changes in the narrative and only a short time to develop the plot. James Patterson works with David English (a relatively new face, to my knowledge, in the BookShot family) on this piece of espionage that occurs in the mountainous region of Switzerland. Dr. Robert Monroe and his wife are on their way to Gstaad to deliver a series of lectures on art. Monroe is well-known for his pre-war painting knowledge and has a reputation for being quite personable. After coming into contact with a mysterious American on his travels, Monroe arrives for the conference at a glamorous hotel, only to be surrounded with others who seem to have an unusual interest in him and his specialised skills. When Mrs. Monroe goes missing, Robert learns that the man they met the night before may have slipped him a USB filled with highly-controversial computer code, pushing him into the middle of an international incident, with his own wife a collateral. Now, many groups have placed a target on Monroe's back, determined to retrieve the USB and use it for their own nefarious activities. With his focus on trying to find his wife, Monroe learns of a sadistic killer by the name of Pumpkin, who has his wife, but is willing to barter her life for the USB. Thus begins a series of events that pit Monroe against everyone, and all for a bit of code. How could a lowly art history professor become so entangled in this mess? Patterson and English have a wonderfully entertaining story on their hands here, perfect for a snowy day or to pass the time over a few cups of tea. Recommended to all those who enjoy BookShots that delve into the darker world of spies and double-crossing.

Another successful story that kept me hooked until the very last page. Patterson and English seem to have found their niche, developing this story in short order and not letting go. As they layered more within the narrative, the reader can only wonder what will happen and how the ever-increasing cast of characters will play off one another. Robert Monroe is, as the review above suggests, a mere art history professor, but finds himself pulled in the middle of a battle between numerous agencies. He loves his wife, but can surely sense that there is something going on between them. Some of the more sinister characters who grace the pages show a heartless desire to destroy all for their own betterment, no matter the means. While not entirely able to foster a strong connection with the reader, their antics do counterbalance Monroe's goodness. The story is decent and keeps moving, which is essential in the BookShot formula, permitting the reader to remain in constant movement as they try to decipher what awaits in the coming chapters. A successful premise that is effectively executed against the backdrop of the Swiss Alps.

Kudos, Messrs. Patterson and English, as you have kept your readers entertained. I am eager to see what else you two have in store for readers in the coming months.

Love/hate the review? An ever-growing collection of others appears at:  
<http://pecheyponderings.wordpress.com/>

A Book for All Seasons, a different sort of Book Challenge: <https://www.goodreads.com/group/show/...>

### **Gretchen says**

#### **Avalanche is an avalanche of events!**

I enjoy the bookshots very much. I know that they are sometimes unbelievable, but they are a lot of fun to read. If you just want to be entertained, Avalanche is a fun read.

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### **Dennis Fries says**

#### **Avalanche - A good read**

I liked this book. It had the right mix of intrigue and suspense. It also showed how someone with the single goal in mind can fight through adversary.

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### **Valencia A Moore says**

#### **Great read**

Had all the right elements for an exciting read but I had a slight feeling that the story was rushed and could have been more developed in some areas. In places it felt like a one-liner and a missing lunch line.

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### **Nancy Kennedy says**

Yuck. Poorly written piece of drivel.

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### **Rochelle Passarelli says**

First time I bought a Bookshot....waste of money.....hope this great author doesn't neglect writing his "real" books. It would be a real loss.

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### **Christine D says**

I'm surprising myself and giving this four stars. This had a lot of twists and turns and action and kept me entertained. So I actually enjoyed it :x  
What helped, was the characters were well done along with a twisty turning plot line of suspense.

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### **Eva says**

An interesting read. It was, at times, difficult to follow the plot as there were a bunch of secondary characters who all started to blend together after a while. Professor Robert Monroe's wife disappears from their swanky hotel, and in his quest to find her, he discovers he is inadvertently involved in something that could get him - and his wife -- killed. Lots of action and betrayal in this one. Not one of my favorite Book-Shots, but an entertaining read all the same.

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### **Pianogirl1126 says**

really have to keep track of characters in this book - but still a good read.

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### **Deb says**

Very poorly written. Bad story line. Character development nonexistent. UGH!!

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### **Sandra Hollenbeck says**

#### **Strange Story**

Not really that interesting! Some of it didn't make sense to me! I felt bad the wife did not love her husband even though he cared deeply for her, so kind of unsatisfying!

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### **Mary Lou Webb says**

#### **Fast paced and action packed**

Good, action packed story that moved at a good clip. Likable protagonist and a cast of varied and interesting supporting make this a pleasurable read. I loved the way the main character was drawn into the part of hero. The ending is a nice twist and satisfying.

The only bit with which I had an issue is the tense. I don't enjoy stories written in the present tense. This is strictly a personal opinion. Others may not find it to be distracting.

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### **Laura Rash says**

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## Wendy says

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This was a bit chaotic at first with all the different characters but once you sort through them all it comes together fairly well. It was a mess at first but finally gets to the point. It reminds me of a book that could lead to many other stories or series. Lots of characters that could lead to many other places and main stories. Hoping something more comes out of all of this.

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