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Cam and Eric's gym teacher just had his office walls painted. But Cam notices that the color of his walls isn't the only difference-his prized tennis trophy is missing! Who could have taken it? Say "click" with Cam as she begins collecting clues to this tricky tennis mystery!

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From Reader Review Cam Jansen and the Tennis Trophy Mystery for online ebook

Jennifer says

I would have students write their own mystery after reading this book. I gelded my 2nd grade impact group create a scavenger hunt after we read this book. We did chapter summaries for each chapter. I had students take turns reading the chapter summary then each student said what they thought was the most important part of that chapter. Next, we decided where to hide each clue. I Googled a picture of a footprint and put the clue in the middle using a text box. My 3 students and I were very excited for the scavenger hunt! :)

I led this book for two weeks of reading group. I had 3 girls.

Chapter 1:

Difficult Words: Shelton, spots, 1. attendance, Day, was, 2. unlocked, 3. Directly, 4. stretched, Exercises.
read vs read.

Summary: Cam said that it stinks really bad in here. Mr. Day took attendance. Danny jumped on Cam's foot 2 times. Cam, Eric, and Danny got into trouble.

Chapter 2:

Difficult Words: television (T.V.), 2. ceiling, got lost, stood, 3. cabinet, 4. against, pretended, trophies.
Remind students to take a breath after each line/period.

Summary: Janet hit Mr. Day with the ball. Cam looked in Mr. Day's office. Mr. Day's office was yellow.

Chapter 3:

Difficult Words: 1. tournament, 2. padlock, pretended, ahead.

Summary: Trying to help Mr. Day find the trophy. He talks about him winning it. He sees that the trophy is gone.

Chapter 4:

Difficult Words: connected, rolded, Nekton (a lot of definitions in this chapter)

Summary: Cam came back to class. They wrote note about the mystery. They did their work.

Chapter 5:

Difficult Words: somehow, unlocked, impossible, different, *remember the word cabinet. Diamond, thief, away, theft.

Errors: you do -> do you? that -> what. his -> the.

Summary: They were reading quietly. Eric thinks he solved the mystery (notes). They tell Ms. Benson about the missing trophies. They predict what happened. Maybe a new lock? They get permission to tell Mr. Day.

Chapter 6:

Difficult Words: punished, whispered, tests, thermos *remember the words: ceiling, padlock, cabinet.

Errors: new tests -> a new test. until -> unless

Summary: 4th grade class playing volleyball. Eric and Cam are bored, watching them, waiting for gym teacher to unlock the cabinet. Boy hit girl in back of head with ball. The gym teacher's key won't open the lock? The key opened the padlock. The thief left the tests--not a student? They put up his stuff in the locked drawer.

Chapter 7:

Difficult Words: vases, wondered, happened.

Summary: Cam has Mr. Day and Eric tell what they see when they look at his office through the window. There's no back to the cabinet, it's open. The cabinet was moved away from the wall when it was painted. The door to his office was open. (The how). Math work.

Chapter 8:

Difficult Words: answered, solution, cheaper, reached, through, followed, postscript, umpire. *remember the word: tournament.

Summary: The 3 vases gave Cam the solution. Maybe someone came and they were scared off? Maybe she only wanted the tennis trophy--thought it was hers -> Ms. Green. Ms. Benson agrees that Ms. Green should have won. They ask to go to Ms. Green. No, do your work, I (teacher) will call your parents and drive you home. They went to see Ms. Green, the tennis trophy was on her desk. "That's Mr. Day's trophy." "I just borrowed it, I left a note." She returned the trophy. He found the note. They agreed to another match to see who the better played is. Cam will be the ump. *Click* "Whoever wins the match, wins the trophy.

Chapter 9:

Difficult Words: afternoon, principal, complained, arguments, mental. *remember the word:umpire.

Summary: They begin the game. Mr. Day serves first. Cam was a great ump. It was a close match. Good game.

*** Look at the the picture on page 57, who do you think won? Why do you think that?

Favorite parts:

A: Cam was the referee.

Ka When Cam saw the trophy. It was so exciting!

Ke: When Mr. Day and Cam figured out who stole the trophy.

Sara says

Cams gym teacher has a trophy that was taken by another teacher that he faced in a tennis match.

Josiah says

Many kid detectives in literature have dazzled us over the years, and Jennifer Jansen (commonly known as "Cam" in homage to her camera-like memory that enables her to take a mental snapshot of any scene and later recite every detail of what she saw) has captured readers' imaginations as well as most others.

Beginning in 1980 with *Cam Jansen and the Mystery of the Stolen Diamonds*, Cam, her friend Eric—who believes unswervingly in her deductive powers—and a cast of other entertaining students and teachers have investigated mystery after mystery in and around their school, Cam always finding a solution in the end. But when gym teacher Mr. Day's special tennis trophy is apparently stolen, can Cam deliver the goods a twenty-third time and restore the trophy to its rightful owner?

The case starts in gym class when Cam notices a pungent smell emanating from Mr. Day's office. The reason for the odor, she realizes upon closer inspection, is that the office has recently been repainted. But then she observes that one of Mr. Day's three silver trophies is missing from his glass display case. Mr. Day insists he didn't move the trophy; someone must have taken it. For a savvy sleuth like Cam Jansen, this sort of conundrum brings out the best in her. The glass case wasn't smashed and the padlock shows no sign of forced entry, but someone had to access the inside to remove the trophy. It saddens Mr. Day to believe his award was stolen after everything he did to earn it, narrowly defeating Ms. Green in the teachers' tennis tournament. That trophy means a lot to him. Cam speedily processes the case information, with Eric beside her to throw in useful tips every once and a while. She wants to solve this baffler before school lets out for the day, but no obvious solution presents itself. Can she piece together the evidence to correctly surmise how and why the trophy vanished?

Cam Jansen and the Tennis Trophy Mystery isn't as impeccably reasoned as the best *Encyclopedia Brown* or *Nate the Great* mysteries, but it's a good early primer for logic skills, and the characters are fun, from Cam to Eric to Danny to Mr. Day. You won't have trouble finding entertainment in this story. I give *Cam Jansen and the Tennis Trophy Mystery* one and a half stars, and it has piqued my interest in the series. If you want to read about a girl detective just as talented in her own way as Marjorie Weinman Sharmat's *Nate the Great*, pick up a *Cam Jansen* mystery and start solving crimes together.

Stephanie ((Strazzybooks)) says

This was my first Cam Jansen so I'll give another a chance, but this one didn't connect with me. I love the idea of a girl detective with a photographic memory, but I felt no draw to her. It also just felt kind of dated. Maybe if you can see more of her personality in the other books it'll be more interesting. L3.

Cws says

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Emma B says

I really liked this book because it was fun reading about Cam solving the mystery. I liked, at the end, how after Cam figured out that Ms. Green "borrowed" the trophy, that Mr. Day and Ms. Green played a match to see who got to keep the trophy. But, the story didn't say who the winner was. I'm kinda sad about that, because I wanted to know who got the trophy. So, there's only guesses. But I think the gym teacher got to keep it. I also thought it was cool that Cam Jansen got to judge the tennis match between the two teachers.

Mandy anderson says

just OK ... these are too similar for me to enjoy them much but a quick read with the kids

Aubrie says

This was not as good as "Cam Jansen and the Case of the Stolen Dinosaur Bones."

Yeeling says

The gym teacher's tennis trophy is missing! Mr. Day is very upset. But Cam Jansen is a great detective with a mental camera in her head, and solves the mystery in a day!

Julia says

This is my first Cam Jansen book. My mom read it to me in one hour. I liked the character Cam, but I did not like that the tennis trophy was stolen. I'll try more books that have Cam Jansen in them.

Callie Stillion says

This book was not what I expected. Someone steals a trophy from Mr.Day`s cabinet. Ms.Green really wants it. Could it be? Well, it is and Mr.Day is upset. Ms.Green is his dear friend and Mr.Day couldn`t believe it.

Kaytee says

cam jansen was sitting out with her friend with eric then cam smelled something funny from the coaches office then she saw a trophy was missing. then told the coach about the trophy then they went to ms. green because last timethey played tennis ball ms. green complained. then they went to her classroom. they said to ms.green you stole his trophy she said no i left a note on his desk. then they played tennis ball.

Olivia says

One thing I want to know about this book is who got the trophy after the final game?

Melissa says

A fun story for kids. Mr. Day seemed like a lot of coaches I've had the pleasure of knowing.

Dolly says

This is another fun mystery in the Cam Jansen series of books by David A. Adler and Susanna Natti. We've read many of these books and we are always looking to find the ones we haven't yet read yet when we go to the library. This is an interesting mystery and I like that it does not involve Cam and Eric getting into a dangerous situation, although they do seem to be out of the classroom a lot. The P.E. teacher in the story seems to be a bit strict and this offered us an opportunity to talk about different teaching styles and what our girls thought about their teachers in school. We also like the memory game at the end of the stories, too (especially our oldest.)
