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Use this event booklet, complete with name tags, invitations, and reproducible activities, to start your very own *Nancy Clancy Reads, Reads, Reads!!!* book club!

Don’t forget your magnifying glass!

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TOP-SECRET INVITATIONS

Use these invitations to get the word out about your super sleuth book club event!
Simply fill in the details, photocopy, cut along the dotted lines, and distribute to as many people as you’d like.

YOU’RE INVITED

to a super sleuth book club event!

PLACE: __________________________
DATE: __________________________
TIME: __________________________
RSVP: __________________________

Come dressed in your fanciest disguise—trench coats, fedoras (that’s fancy for a type of hat), and sunglasses are welcome!

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SPEAK LIKE A TRUE SLEUTH

Detectives use tons of super-fancy words. Complete the activity below by matching each word to the correct description, and you’ll sound like a professional super sleuth in no time.

1. THIEF
2. JUSTICE
3. INVESTIGATION
4. MOTIVE
5. DECIPHER
6. CONFESSION
7. HEIST
8. SUSPECT

A. A detailed or careful review of facts
B. A robber; someone who steals
C. A statement admitting guilt or wrongdoing
D. Someone who may have committed a crime
E. The act of being fair
F. To decode the meaning of something
G. A robbery
H. Reason or cause for committing a crime


To get in some extra practice thinking like a sleuth, use the words from the list above to fill in the blanks and complete the paragraph below. HINT: Each word should only be used once.

When Mr. Dudeny’s classroom becomes the scene of a ____________, Nancy and Bree must put their sleuthing skills to the test! They quickly jump into ________________ mode, using their top secret code to exchange messages about the case. They are the only ones who can ___________ their messages, which makes their code super special. But things quickly go sour when Nancy is accused by one of her classmates of committing the crime, and becomes a prime ____________! After hearing this news, Nancy is determined to find out the real ____________. But who would have a ____________ for stealing Mr. Dudeny’s precious marble? All she’ll need to do is get someone to spill the beans with a ________________, and soon enough ____________ will be served!
CREATE A BUSINESS CARD

Become an official member of Nancy and Bree’s detective agency with these super-chic and extra-professional-looking business cards. They’re the perfect way to get the word out that there’s a new sleuth in town! Hand them out to all your friends and family; then when a mystery arises, everyone will know you’re just the right person to crack the case!

PARTNERS IN CRIME FIGHTING

Agency Detective-in-Training

HEAD DETECTIVES: NANCY CLANCY AND BREE
LOCATION: SLEUTH HEADQUARTERS
Using Nancy and Bree’s secret code chart from *Nancy Clancy Super Sleuth*, put your sleuthing skills to the test and decipher the message below.

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BOOK TALK

Use the questions below to lead a discussion of Nancy Clancy Super Sleuth among your book group members. Add your own topics and questions based upon how the discussion moves forward.

1. On page 42, Nancy thinks that Rhonda has come over to confess. Do you agree or disagree? Look for details in the text to help you decide.

2. Bree asks Nancy if she is going to “confront Rhonda with the evidence” (p. 81). What would you have done if you were Nancy? Why?

3. Mr. Dudeney tells Nancy that she is “a girl with a lot of integrity” (p. 86). Define integrity. Does Nancy have it? Does JoJo? How do you know? Who do you know who has integrity? Do you have integrity?

4. On page 106, “suddenly Nancy had a funny feeling in her tummy.” Why? What did Nancy figure out? What clues in the text tell you what she figured out and how she did it?

MORE SLEUTHING ACTIVITIES

After reading Nancy Clancy Super Sleuth, use these extension activities with your book group members to help them become the ultimate detectives!

WORDS IN MY POCKET

Create a pocket dictionary or thesaurus and include words from Nancy Clancy Super Sleuth (e.g., heist, motive, memento, sprinted, priceless, maimed). Use mini notebooks or create small booklets and bind them with staples, string, or glue.

ON THE HUNT

Split individuals into two separate groups. Ask each group to design a treasure hunt for the other. Think of “treasures” to hide (stickers, bookmarks, etc.) and discuss how to write clues that provide hints without being too obvious. Then let the hunts begin!

HERE’S HOW

Nancy solved the “secret of the twins” using a step-by-step process and a fingerprint kit. Discuss how to retell how Nancy did this, using key sequencing words such as first, next, then, and finally. Then challenge the group members to write their own how-to pages in which they describe how to complete a task. Ask individuals to switch pages with a partner and to read each other’s directions to determine if they can follow the directions and complete the task.
Fancy Nancy

Reads! Reads!! Reads!!!

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