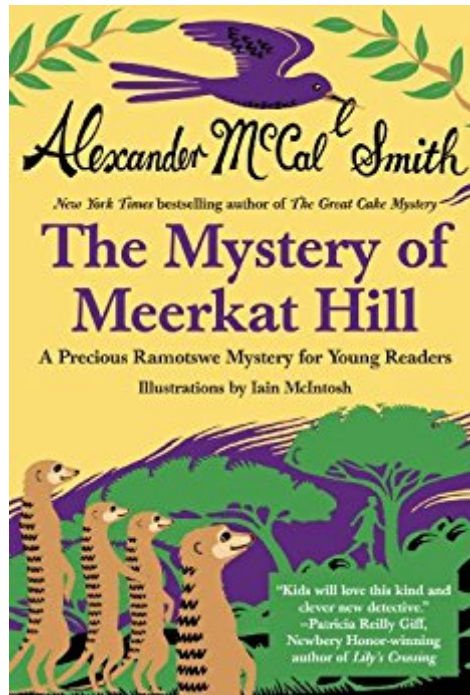


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Synopsis

Precious wants to be a detective when she grows up. She is always practicing at being a detective by asking questions and finding out about other people's lives. There are two new students in her class, a girl called Teb and a boy called Pontsho. She learns that they are brother and sister, and "even more exciting" that Pontsho has a clever pet meerkat named Kosi. One day, Teb and Pontsho's family's cow disappears. Precious helps them look for clues to find the cow. But getting the cow back home will require some quick thinking and help from an unexpected source.

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Customer Reviews

In this second children's book about the "No. 1 Ladies Detective Agency" protagonist, Alexander McCall Smith once again gives us so much to think about and so much to talk to our children and grandchildren about. The book starts out giving a little bit of background about Precious Ramotswe and her famous and respected father Obed. Obed was a great and respected man in Botswana and as we are told in some of the adult books in Smith's Series, Obed was one of those instrumental in

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