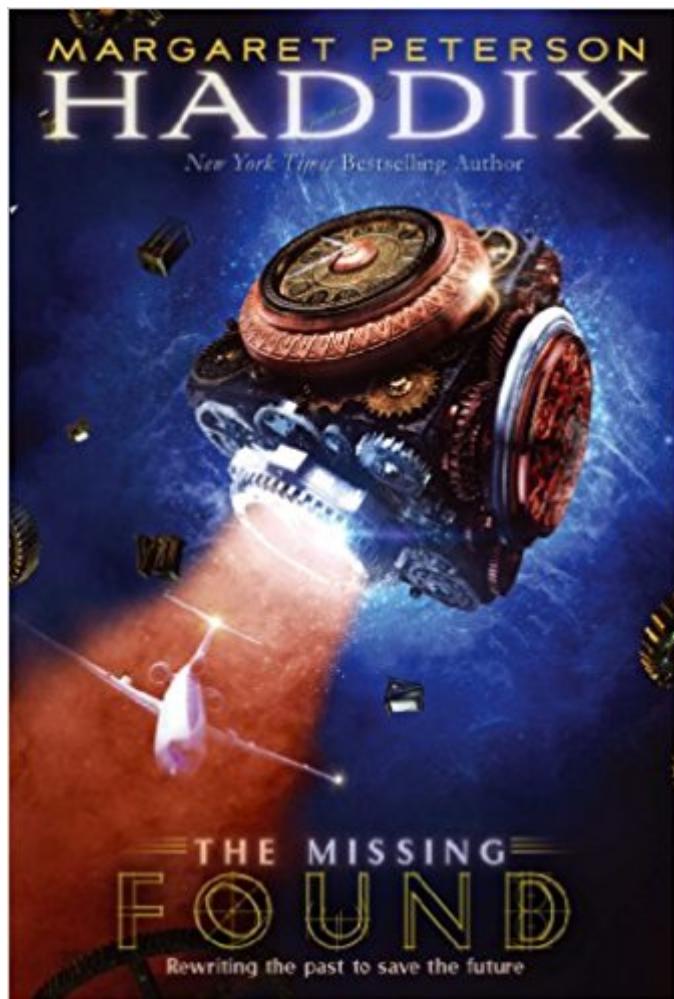


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# Found (The Missing, Book 1)



## **Synopsis**

One night a plane appeared out of nowhere, the only passengers aboard: thirty-six babies. As soon as they were taken off the plane, it vanished. Now, thirteen years later, two of those children are receiving sinister messages, and they begin to investigate their past. Their quest to discover where they really came from leads them to a conspiracy that reaches from the far past to the distant future— and will take them hurtling through time. In this exciting new series, bestselling author Margaret Peterson Haddix brings an element of suspense that will keep readers on the edge of their seats.

## **Book Information**

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## **Customer Reviews**

Grade 4—Haddix's latest science fiction series starts off with a bang in this nail-biter. A plane arrives at an airline gate unnoticed by radar and most personnel. There are no flight attendants, no pilot, in fact no adults at all, but there are 36 passengers—each seat is inhabited by an infant. Thirteen years later in Ohio, teenage adoptees Jonah and his friend Chip begin receiving ominous messages declaring that they are among "the missing" and that someone is coming to find them. Frightened yet intrigued, the boys begin a search for their real identities with the help of Jonah's younger sister. Their search leads them to a discovery that strains credulity and leads them into danger greater than they ever imagined possible. The story is driven by an exciting

plot rather than extensive character development, and the teens act independently of the adults, who appear as "bad guys" or are basically useless. If used in a classroom, the revelation of the babies' identities can be used to kick off a history lesson or two. This book's exciting premise and cliff-hanger ending will leave readers on the edge of their seats and begging for more. •Heather M. Campbell, Philip S. Miller Library, Castle Rock, CO Copyright © Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved. --This text refers to the Hardcover edition.

"Haddix's latest science fiction series starts off with a bang in this nail-biter...This book's exciting premise and cliff-hanger ending will leave readers on the edge of their seats and begging for more."--"School Library Journal""Fans of Haddix's *Shadow Children* books will want to jump on this time-travel adventure...The author grabs the readers' attention from the first scene...intriguing enough...to keep kids reading what promises to be an exciting trip through history."--"Kirkus Reviews""As in her *Among the Hidden* series, Haddix once again demonstrates her talent for penning page-turners kids will like."--"Booklist""Haddix admirably balances the exposition necessary to shape the first novel of a series while still providing enough life-threatening situations, governmental intrigue, and futuristic weaponry to make this an action-packed stand-alone novel. Readers will surely return for future installments...Science fiction and adventure fans will find much to enjoy in this flashy, suspensful volume."--"The Bulletin of the Center for Children's Books"\*\* "In a tantalizing opener to a new series, Haddix taps into a common childhood fantasy--that you are really the offspring of royalty or famous people, and were somehow adopted by an ordinary family--and one-ups it by adding in time travel...Readers will be hard-pressed to wait for the next installment."--"Publishers Weekly", starred review --This text refers to the Hardcover edition.

Margaret P. Haddix is genius in this action-packed series. A plane lands with no one on board except babies! Years later, those babies have all been adopted and have all received mysterious letters setting them on a path to discover who they are and where they came from. Book trailers abound for "Found," but the best one was produced by Scholastic, Inc. Search for it, watch it, and then buy the whole series because you won't want to stop with book 1. Highly recommended by this middle school librarian for grades 5-8.

My son and I have been reading this book together for some time. He doesn't usually like for me to read too much to him at once, but today he wanted to finish the book with me. It was so much fun!

love it when I find a book that my son will read with me. He is 10 and hates, hates, hates reading. He has Dyslexia, so reading for him is not very much fun. He does however like to be read to. Most of the time. I love him. I love that he will let me read with him. This was such a fun book to read together. It is exciting and mysterious. The characters are so great. They are young enough that my son can kind of relate to them. The idea behind the book is absolutely fascinating. I cannot imagine finding out that I was from the past. That I was most likely royalty from the past. Time warps. Time travel. Mysterious people popping in and out of time. The FBI. There was so much adventure. Especially for teenagers :). This is a great book for young kids and middle grade, and hey lets face it adults also. I loved it :). Jonah, Chip, and Katherine were a fun trio to follow. I love Katherine's snarky personality. She was not going to let the boys get away with doing anything without her. I love that Jonah and Chip take it upon themselves to solve the mystery behind their adoptions. The journey we take with them, is exciting, and mysterious. I am glad I got to go on this adventure with them. I am anxious to see where the next book takes us.

REVIEW-Melody Dempsey FOUND, THE MISSING. Young Jonah was adopted when he was 3 months old. He always knew he had been adopted. His friend, Chip, found out just recently, that he too, was adopted. A mysterious letter showed up in Jonah's mailbox. A plain white envelope held this mysterious letter. Chip received the same letter as Jonah did. Jonah thought that this letter was most likely a prank from a fellow 7th grader. Chip did not share Jonah's thoughts about this letter. A little while later, another, more ominous letter showed up again, in both of the boys mailboxes. This time Jonah, (even though he said that it was probably another 7th grade prankster), had his doubts. Chip maintained his stance that these letters were real. The boys, along with Jonah's sister, Katherine, decided to first look into some information about Chip's adoption. Chip's parents had a safe, which the kids decided to break into. They found a file with a sticky note on it, with a phone number... This was the start of the three teens starting their own investigation into the questions about Chip's adoption and about the two mysterious letters that the boys received in the mail. Their continued curiosity and intensifying determination to find out where the letters came from, leads the three teens on a wild goose chase, at first.... thus, leading them into a world of intrigue and danger... leading Jonah and Chip to the truth about who they REALLY are!

I am an adult and I read this book before passing it along to my children. I have to say that within the first few pages I was already laughing out loud. Haddix has a gift for storytelling and also a great sense of humor. None of my children are adopted, but I think that this book could help children who

have been adopted find a character they can relate to and also laugh along at some of the coping strategies the parents have implemented. I have not read the next books in the series, but there could potentially be some history lessons involved.

I always hated reading but after reading this book it just made me love reading more than I usually did. Haddix did such a wonderful job with this book. Its such a page-turning rollercoaster with its cliffhangers after every chapter. When the story opened with the plane that had thirty six babies on it and it appearing and disappearing, it just blew my mind. This book will definitely have readers flipping pages non stop, wanting more. It for sure had me on the edge of my seat and I cannot wait to read the sequel!

The storyline was not the norm, the ending a little predictable-but not in a bad way. I would recommend it to a 7-9th grade reader.

Great books. Arrived as expected.

I am not a fan of science fiction, read this book at the request of my 9 yr old granddaughter, who is reading the series. She knew I didn't like the one audio Harry Potter book, I sat through on our vacation road trip, and thought I may like this one. I am still not a fan of science fiction, will not read the other books in the series, but it did hold my interest until the end. The creative minds of writers such as Margaret Haddix do amaze me. Not sure how a 9 yr old can comprehend all this book encompasses, but she does. Good for Ms Haddix, she has an audience.

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