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What happens when the Internet service provider in a small town spies on his clients' cyber-lives and blackmails them for gifts and services?

Murder; that's what happens.

Penelope Trigg moves to Lost Hat, Texas to open a photography studio and find herself as an artist. Things are going great. She's got a few clients, some friends, even a hot new high-tech boyfriend. But when Penny submits some nude figure studies of him to a contest, she gets hit with a blackmail letter in her inbox. "Do what I want or your lover's nudie pix get splattered across the Internet." The timing couldn't be worse, so Penny is forced to submit to the blackmailer's demands. Then people start dying and all the clues point to her. She has to rattle every skeleton in every closet in Lost Hat to keep herself out of jail and find the real killer.

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Patricia says

I read one of Ms Castle's Francis Bacon mysteries and enjoyed it but didn't like this as much although there were some similarities. In both, a small group of friends are trying to solve a murder -- they're enthusiastic but easily distracted. The friends don't have a well thought out plan and their investigation goes off in different directions before it is finally solved. Penny was a bit irritating.

No graphic sex or violence

Heather says

This was a really cute murder mystery novel. I enjoyed reading it and it never got boring for me. I would absolutely continue reading the series and any other books by this author.

Tulay says

Not my kind of mystery.

Have to admit, skip some pages, for me it was like written by some teenager. Repeated "me second, me third" told me what I got in to. Small town in Texas, most everybody in town had secrets. Really it was waste of my time.

Patricia Thayer says

Excellent way to spend a Summer day.

Found this as a free book, but it's not one with just a few pages. Excellent, intriguing storyline with likeable characters. It kept me interested to the end. I will be reading the whole series as they come out. Just purchased the second too.

Barbara Hackel says

Penelope Trigg is a photographer who is an artist and always looking for the perfect shots. When her boyfriend provides her with the perfect model (naked and in bed no less) she shoots a roll of black and white photos that are worthy of being entered in a contest. Shortly after emailing them off, she finds herself the victim of blackmail from the local man who is the Internet Provider Server for her small town of Lost Hat, Texas. When things get ugly and a friend of hers dies suddenly, she is convinced it is murder and a case of

the wrong person getting the poison. For awhile she goes along with the chores her blackmailer gives her, but she gets fed up and wants to tell her boyfriend and find the proof for the blackmailer to be hauled to jail. She meets another gal who is being blackmailed and the two of them team up to try and find the proof. Eventually she includes her friend and coworker as well to help prove who the blackmailer is before Penny is arrested for murdering him.

What a fun book of little town gossip and people knowing each other but surprisingly, not all of their secrets. The three gals make a good investigative team that are willing to try about anything to get the blackmail documentation. Just when you think you have it all figured out you are lured into a last minute situation that I never saw coming. It was exciting right down to the last few pages! All the characters were wonderfully developed and their different personalities made for interesting reading. Definitely interested in reading the next book in the series!

Lori Tatar says

I want to say right off the bat that I sometimes struggle with first-person narratives. I have found that most authors cannot pull this off in an appealing and meaningful way. That being said, Black & White & Dead All Over by Anna Castle is no exception. I found it vacuous and sophomoric, maybe more appealing to a YA audience. Regardless, I am still grateful to Goodreads for supplying my copy.

Lisa Tollard says

Enjoyable Read

Well developed characters with a good storyline. The mystery had you guessing until the very end. I am looking forward to reading more from this author

Cherie' says

This book was so funny, Kristin was the best. I love a good revenge book.

I would read more by this author.

Thanks for the laughs.

Cherie'

S.j. Thompson says

i picked up this book at an artist and author event in my town and i like support independent authors when i can. The story wasn't especially original, but the thing i enjoyed the most was the character descriptions. If

you've ever lived in small town, particularly a small Texas town, you KNOW these folks! You relate to them right away. The plot unfolded in a rather clunky and formulaic way, but the overall effect was fun.

Lu says

I know people who lived in small towns, but I'm a city girl, and I read novels like Black & White & Dead All Over to find out what the nostalgia is all about. This book gives us a look at the dark underbelly of small town life, where an unscrupulous person can gain inordinate control.

Barb Foerst says

I was given a free copy of this book in exchange for an honest review. This was a great cozy mystery set in Lost Hat Texas. Penny is a photographer who has moved into her great aunt's house. She takes some great nude pictures of her boyfriend to enter into a black...

Jane says

Whew! I have a new-to-me favored author! Plotting good, no grammar/spelling problems (something for which I will deduct stars) that I noticed. Situation -most- believable.

Jean Taylor says

Great

Story of I say to much it will ruin the story.. MAke sure you read this one. Interesting from start to finish

Linda says

This was an enjoyable read that I finished easily in less than a day. I found a lot of it to be less than realistic and I had a hard time finding empathy for the heroine however it is a good escape mystery and I can almost promise that you won't even think about the perpetrator until the last 20% of the novel.

I won this novel in a contest.

Carol Stanley-Snow says

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You know when you start a book and it pulls you into the vortex?? Well, this is one of those can't put it down reads, that takes you for a thrilling ride!!

It's a mystery, humorous and a tad romantic.

Please read....
