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Ziaba has always been fascinated by detective work and indeed sleuthing is in her blood; her Aunt Fouzia runs the Snow Leopard Detective Agency. She is also influenced by her favourite book, *Eden Lockett?s Detective Handbook*.

Zaiba and her family have gathered at the Royal Star Hotel to celebrate her cousin Sam?s Mehndi party, part of the preparations for Sam?s forthcoming wedding to Tanvir. Zaiba?s inherent sleuthing skills spring into action early on with the arrival of a mystery celebrity to the hotel, the identity of which Zaiba is determined to uncover.

Before long the plot thickens when the celebrity?s precious pet greyhound goes missing along with a valuable diamond. Zaiba, her brother Ali, and best friend Poppy are determined to solve the mystery and catch the perpetrators? if own their relatives at the Mehdi party don?t get in the way of their investigation!

This is an exciting and fun adventure story reminiscent of the **Famous Five** stories or the **Nancy Drew** mysteries which will keep young readers gripped. The main character Zaiba is feisty, intelligent and determined and being British Pakistani is an important and much needed addition to children?s literature enabling more children to identify with the main characters

Great fun from start to finish. Zaiba will capture the imagination of all young would-be detectives.

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