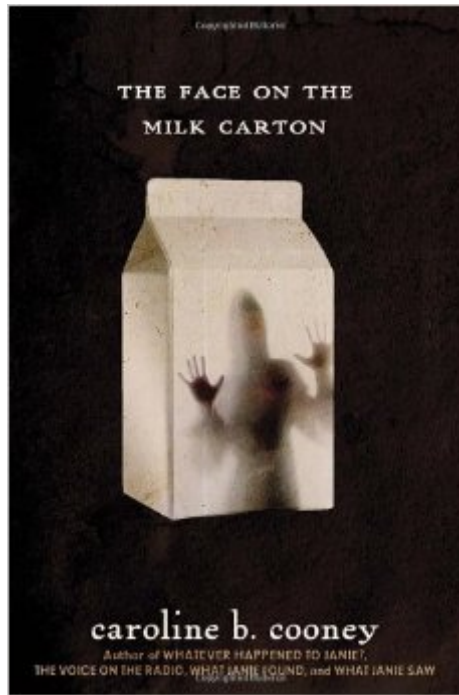


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# The Face On The Milk Carton



## Synopsis

In the vein of psychological thrillers like *We Were Liars*, *Girl on the Train*, and *Beware That Girl*, bestselling author Caroline Cooney's JANIE series delivers on every level. Mystery and suspense blend seamlessly with issues of family, friendship and love to offer an emotionally evocative thrill ride of a read. No one ever really paid close attention to the faces of the missing children on the milk cartons. But as Janie Johnson glanced at the face of the ordinary little girl with her hair in tight pigtails, wearing a dress with a narrow white collar "a three-year-old who had been kidnapped twelve years before from a shopping mall in New Jersey" she felt overcome with shock. She recognized that little girl "it was she. How could it possibly be true? Janie can't believe that her loving parents kidnapped her, but as she begins to piece things together, nothing makes sense. Something is terribly wrong. Are Mr. and Mrs. Johnson really her parents? And if not, who is Janie Johnson, and what really happened?

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## Customer Reviews

The Face on the Milk CartonBy Caroline B. CoonieDate of review 9/20/02 I read the fascinating book, *The Face on the Milk Carton* by Caroline B. Coonie. This book is about a girl who saw her face on a milk carton under the missing ad and realizes the parents she knows and loves must not be her parents. Could they have possibly kidnapped her? Janie is the main character; she is the girl

who spots her face on the milk carton. While trying to keep it a secret, she tries to figure out this mystery but at the same time she tears her self esteem apart. Reeve is Janie's boyfriend and next door neighbor, he helps Janie out along the way because he is the only one who knows Janie's secret. Sarah-Charlotte is Janie's best friend who doesn't understand what is going on because she doesn't know the secret. Mr. and Mrs. Johnson are the people who Janie thought were her parents for all these years. Caroline B. Coonie's message in this book is not to take your life for granted. Janie was always trying to write her name differently because she thought her name was boring. When Janie figured out her name really wasn't Janie Johnson she wished it was. Caroline B. Coonie's style of writing is making you want to read more and more by making you hang in suspense at the end or even the middle of a chapter. The most important event in this book is when Janie eats a peanut butter sandwich and needs milk afterwards. So Janie steals Sarah-Charlotte's milk and drinks it even though she is allergic to milk. That is when Janie notices the picture on the milk carton and wishes she had never drank that milk. The second important event is when Janie and Reeve skip school to drive to New Jersey to see if the people who are her parents (according to the milk carton) are really her parents.

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