

# Book Synopsis - The Watch on the Fencepost



## **2-line Summary:**

A mysterious gold watch propels 27-year-old Kathryn Frasier into a quest to prove her parents' recent deaths were not an accident.

## **Short Synopsis:**

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## **Medium Synopsis:**

A mysterious gold watch found in a deserted park leads 27-year-old Kathryn Frasier to uncover a dark family secret and a suspicion that her parents' recent deaths were not an accident. Following a trail of cryptic clues, she encounters a remarkable cast of characters, including an actress with a talent for disguises, a politician with a secret of his own, and a handsome businessman who shows a sudden romantic interest in Kathryn. With her own life in danger, she closes in on the truth and finds new meaning in faith, family, and love. But is it too late?

## **Long Synopsis:**

Several months after her parents' fatal automobile accident, twenty-seven-year-old KATHRYN FRASIER is completing an afternoon run in a local park when she spies an expensive lady's gold watch on top of a fencepost. When she solves the mystery behind the watch, she meets CECE, a talented actress. Kathryn learns Cece is actually her older half-sister, the product of a premarital liaison thirty years earlier between Kathryn's mother, LEAH, and a young politician, ROBERT HODGES, a current candidate for governor. Hodges had insisted that Leah have an abortion in order to protect his career, and he was not aware she had given birth to his child.

When Kathryn is alerted by Cece's adoptive parents that her own parents' deaths may not have been an accident, she teams up with Cece to find the truth. Their initial suspect is Robert Hodges.

The first clue is discovered by Kathryn and PHIL WARREN, a handsome and single businessman with whom Kathryn has a history of miscommunication. When the two of them find a cryptic note on her car, Kathryn is drawn into a flirtatious encounter with Phil.

Kathryn enlists the help of her lifelong friend TOMMY, who introduces her to Hodges and his chief of staff, MIKE STRICKLAND.

At an election rally, Hodges is shot by an unknown assailant. but is not critically wounded, and the police identify university student CLARK BELLINGHAM as the main suspect in the shooting. Kathryn is warned that he may also have been responsible for her parents' deaths. Since Bellingham is still at large, he is considered a danger to her.

As Kathryn continues to follow a trail of clues, she enters a romantic relationship with Phil.

The last clue is discovered to be a key to a safety deposit box in which Kathryn finds a patent application for an electronic device invented by her father. She drives alone to her father's former company, ArcTron Labs, to meet with Tommy and GAVIN CONNELLY, the young CEO.

Clark Bellingham surprises and frightens Kathryn outside the ArcTron building but leaves when Gavin comes out. Kathryn enters the building and is alone with Gavin and Tommy.

Inside Gavin's office, Kathryn meets the murderer and discovers there is no escape.

In the end, Cece confronts Hodges with her identity, and Phil declares his love for Kathryn.

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"What would happen if Tom Clancy met Jane Austen? Something like "The Watch on the Fencepost!"  
Fast-paced, tense, and fun, with moments of laugh-out-loud humor and other moments of poignancy  
you need a hanky to get through."

- Mel Hughes, freelance editor and author

"... the writing is well-paced, peppered with interesting characters, and loaded with enough detours and  
misdirection to keep even avid sleuths guessing as the layers of the plot unfold. Well done!"

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"Kay DiBianca has written a captivating tale ... From the gripping prologue to the conclusion of the story,  
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