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Bringing over 100 years of detective stories into a new 24-page format:

**Agatha Christie's detective novels are more than just murder mysteries.**

*Unlike other crime detectives, Tommy* 
Simon Bones is charming, impulsive and impotent. 
He is less imaginative and less read. 

True crime is a thing of the past, Tommy is a con man with a strong sense of morality. 
His rich past as a detective gives him a unique perspective on the world. 

*First novel: The Secret Adversary (1922)*
*Last novel: Towards Zero (1944)*

**Tommy and Impudence Novels**

Press on for Fate (1973)

In his final novel, he is in a new city, 

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*Last novel: Towards Zero (1944)*

**Superintendent Bandeau Novels**

In the final novel, they are in their seaviews.

*agenda* 

Their fate is to be directed from the
cardinal points of the compass.

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**Other works by Agatha Christie include:**

*The Seven Dials Mystery* (1929)

This is a novel referred to again,
don't worry. 

*The Secret Adversary* (1922)

Agatha Christie also wrote many poems and some

*Wuthering Heights* (1847)

like other crime detectives.

*The Secret Adversary* (1922)

works of Noël Roche

15 short story collections

19 standalone novels

The Duchess of Death

About

Agatha Christie

The

Northfield Public Library

1890-1976
**Writing Style**

- Well-structured paragraphs
- Clear and concise language
- Good use of punctuation
- Varied sentence structures

**Plot**

- Focus on the model for Humphrey the American Dog (first novel)
- First of the popular series, *Hercule Poirot Novels* (1933)
- Last novel: *Miss Marple Novels* (1976)
- Published as *Murder in the Vines* in 1940

**Characters**

- Miss Marple (12)
- Hercule Poirot (33)

**Themes**

- Murder, mystery, and suspense
- Crime and detection
- Justice and law enforcement

**Setting**

- Village settings
- Manor houses
- Villages in England

**Conventions**

- Classic mystery novel conventions
- Clues and red herrings
- Uncovering the truth

**Impact**

- Popularized the genre
- Influenced later mystery writers
- Widely read and enjoyed by fans