

My Name is Anna by Lizzy Barber

4 Stars

Is she really Anna?

Two girls in different countries want to know the truth. Rosie in England wants to know what happened to her sister 15 years ago, when she was abducted from Astroland. Anna wants to know why she has these flashbacks of Astroland, a place she has never been, and who is the strange man who seems to have the answers to all her questions.

The two girls have grown up in very different environments; Anna with her Mamma a strict religious lady with too many secrets and Rosie growing up in the shadow of her missing sister.

Rosie sets out to find the answers once and for all, and Anna discovers her dreams aren't just a figment of her imagination and is determined to find out the truth of why she knows so little about her childhood and why her Mamma will not discuss her early life.

A heart-wrenching story of two sisters torn apart but still with a bond neither of them understands.

This book is well written but a little rambling at times, which made it a little boring. Instead of adding to the suspense it just made me skip pages and still able to follow the story.

I could not help thinking of Maddie McCann if something like that happened to her and if her parents and siblings went through the same agony. The author has an empathy which made you think what if it was my child?

With a little tweaking this book would have been a very good story, but it is still worth reading as it will draw you in.

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