

Crime Scene True Life Forensic Files 2 Profilers And Poison

What could be more motivational than turning your children into super sleuths to learn scientific principles and techniques? This unique resource for science learning (grades 6-12) gives your kid the chance to be crime scene investigators. Like real-life forensic scientists, students observe carefully, think critically, conduct lab tests, document results, and try to meet the burden of proof to solve crimes ranging from check forgery to murder! And for added fun and interest In this book: **CRITICAL THINKING** : that reinforce skills of observation, experimentation, and logical thinking. **MATH SCIENCE**: In addition to math operations skills (+, -,/, x), your kid will learn variables identification and calculation, and this just to be familiar with the famous X and Y that he or she will meet in the next few years. **PHYSICAL SCIENCE** - determine the chain of events such as Print Patterns (fingerprint identification). **LIFE SCIENCE** - focusing on evidence left at crime scenes by living things and teaches principles of inheritance, DNA analysis, and characteristics, just a few examples are What a Cell Can Tell (DNA fingerprinting techniques) **MORE EDUCATIONAL SITUATIONS THAT WILL IMPROVE YOUR KID ACKNOWLEDGMENTS**. Don't leave this book unsolved! All its events are based on true crimes situations (90%) presented as: *20+ Real Crimes Scenes that your child should understand and solve. *Forensic science analytics situations. *Puzzles (to improve your kids' culture). *Easy Mazes (to find the criminal path). *Mazes with math. *Word searches and memory puzzles based on scene crimes for kids. *very engaging and well-illustrated events! *Other situations

The Forensic Crime Scene: A Visual Guide, Second Edition presents knowledgeable chapters on crime scene investigation, the various types of documentation, scene reconstruction, and the value of evidence and proper evidence collection. Additionally, a companion site hosts video and additional instructional materials. The primary goal of this book is to provide visual instruction on the correct way to process a forensic crime scene. By using photographs and video clips to show proper vs. improper procedures, the reader will be able to identify the correct principles required to process a scene. Provides coverage of techniques, documentation and reconstruction of crime scenes Shows side-by-side comparisons of the correct vs. incorrect process Online website hosts videos and additional instructional materials Experts such as homicide detectives, forensic scientists and crime lab specialists reveal the stories behind their most challenging cases. Just what secrets can a decomposed corpse reveal? Discover how an investigator found grounds for conviction in a single fibre as long as a fingernail. Who is allowed access to a crime scene? What happens when a body is discovered? Will a blood transfusion alter DNA? How can the distribution of gunshot residue inform your plot? The Real CIS - A Forensic Handbook for Crime

Writers answers these questions and more in a unique and exclusive insight into crime scene investigation. Using real-life examples and case studies, experienced CSI Kate Bendelow shines a light behind the yellow tape and debunks the myths popularized by the 'CSI Effect'. Each chapter explores the latest procedures in contemporary practice including: Crime Scene access and preservation; fingerprints and DNA profiling; footwear; trace evidence; fire scenes; drugs and toxicology and, finally, firearms. Packed with insider knowledge, handy tips and compelling storylines, this is the definitive guide for all crime writers who wish to write with authenticity and authority. "Every crime writer should have a copy of this book on their desk." Lynda La Plante. Illustrated with 59 colour images.

In the wake of the phenomenal success of crime shows like CSI, forensic science has never been so popular. The obsessive attention that Grissom and his crew afford seemingly insignificant details, such as particles of dirt in a bullet wound and the presence of pollen in tyre tracks, have left audiences eager to know more about this field of study. In this fully revised and updated edition, real-life examples come under the scalpel as forensic scientist Jay Siegel follows the course of evidence all the way from the crime scene to the court judgement. In *Forensic Science: A Beginner's Guide*, all major areas are covered, including drugs, trace evidence, pathology, entomology, odontology, anthropology, crime scene investigation and the law.

Describes what fingerprint analysts and DNA specialists do and the equipment that they use, relates the history of fingerprinting and DNA analysis, and discusses the role of fingerprint and DNA evidence in six real-life cases.

WITH A FOREWORD BY NIGEL McCrery, CREATOR OF SILENT WITNESS
Going beyond the popular TV show, this is the true story of forensic science from those who solve crimes without witnesses. How do you identify a serial killer? What are the tell-tale signs of guilt? Can we now solve the unsolvable? Since even before the first season of *Silent Witness* in 1996, forensic science has played an increasingly important role in the investigation of violent crimes. With a boom in cold-blooded cases throughout the 1980s, police began to rely on DNA evidence to help them find perpetrators and since then forensic science has taken off as a powerful tool in solving murders. Bestselling true crime author Wensley Clarkson takes us beyond the headlines to examine the real-life stories where forensics have played a crucial role. He speaks to experts who have worked on the most gruesome, most chilling and most shocking crime scenes and explains how notorious criminal cases from across the world were solved. And he shows how the silent witness is often the one who screams the loudest. One of the nation's top forensic scientists, Larry Ragle has investigated countless brutal and baffling crimes during his forty-year career. Now he takes us behind the yellow police tape and into the medical examiner's laboratory for a fascinating look at his most sensational cases, revealing how cutting-edge science and medical technology were used to shed brilliant light on the criminals and their

transgressions. Here is the real world of C.S.I. -- where astonishingly detailed portraits of malefactors are painted with a single drop of blood, and a microscopic fiber can direct the police to even the most careful and elusive of murderers. Shows how the latest methods of scientific detection are used to uncover the truth about a crime scene, and to reveal how crimes were committed, explaining the techniques and equipment used by forensic investigators.

Bestselling author of Broken Ground "offers fascinating glimpses" into the real world of criminal forensics from its beginnings to the modern day (The Boston Globe). The dead can tell us all about themselves: where they came from, how they lived, how they died, and, of course, who killed them. Using the messages left by a corpse, a crime scene, or the faintest of human traces, forensic scientists unlock the mysteries of the past and serve justice. In Forensics, international bestselling crime author Val McDermid guides readers through this field, drawing on interviews with top-level professionals, ground-breaking research, and her own experiences on the scene. Along the way, McDermid discovers how maggots collected from a corpse can help determine one's time of death; how a DNA trace a millionth the size of a grain of salt can be used to convict a killer; and how a team of young Argentine scientists led by a maverick American anthropologist were able to uncover the victims of a genocide. Prepare to travel to war zones, fire scenes, and autopsy suites as McDermid comes into contact with both extraordinary bravery and wickedness, tracing the history of forensics from its earliest beginnings to the cutting-edge science of the modern day.

The development of forensic science has fundamentally changed the way that crimes are solved and criminals caught. Starting from the principle that "every contact leaves a trace," Dr. Erzinçlioglu explains investigative techniques that until now have remained mysteries to the outsider. Chapters on poisons, alcohol and drugs, blood and body fluids, trace and contact evidence, ballistics, terrorism and forensic science, and more reveal the workings of a science that would cause even Sherlock Holmes to marvel.

Welcome to the Second Edition of the best selling book Forensic Science Crime Scene Analysis. The Second Edition has been completely revised, updated and greatly expanded. It is now more than twice the size of the original book with extra sections on forensic photography, blood spatter analysis, trace evidence, impressions, ballistics, bomb-making, explosives, toxicology, digital evidence, search warrants, forensic computer investigation, DNA testing and advances, Miranda rights, police interrogation techniques, and the law relating to the admissibility of confessions. There is also a much extended Glossary and complete new chapters on the Admissibility of Expert Evidence and Criminal Law Evidence. So, just how accurate are TV crime programs like CSI? Apparently, they are far removed from reality and mask the clear division of labor which exists between crime scene investigators and law enforcement officers. The first part of the book deals with crime scene analysis, what happens at a crime scene, or what's supposed to happen and covers every aspect of crime scene investigation. The second part is an introduction to forensic science and deals with such diverse topics as fingerprints, firearms, computers, autopsies, forensic pathology, poisons, the identification of decaying bodies and skeletons, cranio-facial reconstruction, serology, fraud, DNA and cyber crime. But perhaps the most enjoyable chapter is the tongue in cheek one entitled Committing the Perfect Crime. A perfect book for law enforcement officers, criminal lawyers, crime writers and basically anyone interested in crime.--Back cover.

Watch the excitement ripple through your classroom as students use their intellect to find out who committed the "crime" at your school. Enliven your students as they practice critical thinking skills. Students are often taught skills such as the scientific method, scientific research, critical thinking, making observations, analyzing facts, and drawing conclusions in isolation. Studying forensic science allows students to practice these skills and see theories

put into practice by using circumstances that model real-life events, meanwhile letting students explore a variety of career options. This exciting unit includes: background information on forensics, exploration of careers in forensic science and law enforcement, a simulation involving a fire in the school library, and instructions for writing your own crime scene simulation. To crack the case, students examine evidence left at the scene, interview suspects (staff members), and use critical thinking to connect all of the clues and eliminate suspects. Students will feel like real investigators with this true-to-life simulation. Let your students solve more mysteries with Mystery Disease, Mystery Science, Detective Club, and The Great Chocolate Caper. Grades 5-8

As gripping as it is gruesome, *How to Solve a Murder* is a fascinating insight into the career of a forensic scientist told by experts in the field. Includes a foreword from Dr Richard Shepherd, bestselling author of *Unnatural Causes*.

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Forensic science has been variously described as fascinating, challenging and even frightening. If you have only a vague concept of what forensic science is, this book will provide the answer. Aimed at non-scientists, or those with limited scientific knowledge, *Crime Scene to Court* covers all three main areas of an investigation where forensic science is practised, namely the scene of the crime, the forensic laboratory and the court. Coverage includes details of how crime scene and forensic examinations are conducted in the United Kingdom, the principles of crime scene investigations and the importance of this work in an investigation, and courtroom procedures and the role of the expert witness. The latest methods and techniques used in crime scene investigation and forensic laboratories are reported, cases are presented to illustrate why and how examinations are performed to generate forensic evidence and there is a bibliography for each chapter which provides further material for those readers wishing to delve deeper into the subject. This revised and updated edition also includes coverage on changes in professional requirements, the latest developments in DNA testing and two new chapters on computer based crimes and Bloodstain Pattern Analysis. Ideal for those studying forensic science or law, the book is intended primarily for teaching and training purposes. However, anyone with a role in an investigation, for example police, crime scene investigators or indeed those called for jury service, will find this text an excellent source of information.

A rare behind-the-scenes look at the work of forensic scientists The findings of forensic science—from DNA profiles and chemical identifications of illegal drugs to comparisons of bullets, fingerprints, and shoeprints—are widely used in police investigations and courtroom proceedings. While we recognize the significance of this evidence for criminal justice, the actual work of forensic scientists is rarely examined and largely misunderstood. *Blood, Powder, and Residue* goes inside a metropolitan crime laboratory to shed light on the complex social forces that underlie the analysis of forensic evidence. Drawing on eighteen months of rigorous fieldwork in a crime lab of a major metro area, Beth Bechky tells the stories of the forensic scientists who struggle to deliver unbiased science while under intense pressure from adversarial lawyers, escalating standards of evidence, and critical public scrutiny. Bechky brings to life the daily challenges these scientists face, from the painstaking screening and testing of evidence to making communal decisions about writing up the lab report, all while worrying about attorneys asking them uninformed questions in court. She shows how the work of forensic scientists is fraught with the tensions of serving justice—constantly having to anticipate the expectations of the world of law and

the assumptions of the public—while also staying true to their scientific ideals. *Blood, Powder, and Residue* offers a vivid and sometimes harrowing picture of the lives of highly trained experts tasked with translating their knowledge for others who depend on it to deliver justice.

An expensive digital camera has been stolen from the school's media center and somebody on campus is to blame, but who? Your students become detectives as they analyze evidence and participate in real-life forensic labs as part of the mock crime scene investigation in *Crime Scene Detective: Theft*. Students will interview suspects, follow the clues, and analyze lab reports. Like the best-selling *Crime Scene Detective* and *Crime Scene Detective: Arson*, this book includes everything teachers need to set up a crime scene in their school, including six new suspect and witness storylines, guides to displaying evidence and setting up forensic labs, and lessons for teachers that explain the basics behind forensic science.

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Forensics For Dummies (9781119608967) was previously published as *Forensics For Dummies* (9781119181651). While this version features a new *Dummies* cover and design, the content is the same as the prior release and should not be considered a new or updated product. Understand the real-life science behind crime scene investigation *Forensics For Dummies* takes you inside the world of crime scene investigation to give you the low down on this exciting field. Written by a doctor and former Law & Order consultant, this guide will have you solving crimes along with your favorite TV shows in no time. From fingerprints and fibers to blood and ballistics, you'll walk through the processes that yield significant information from the smallest clues. You'll learn how Hollywood gets it wrong, and how real-world forensics experts work every day in fields as diverse as biology, psychology, anthropology, medicine, information technology, and more. If you're interested in a forensics career, you'll find out how to break in—and the education you'll need to do the type of forensics work that interests you the most. Written for the true forensics fan, this book doesn't shy away from the details; you'll learn what goes on at the morgue as you determine cause of death, and you'll climb into the mind of a killer as you learn how forensic psychologists narrow down the suspect list. Crime shows are entertaining, but the reality is that most forensics cases aren't wrapped up in an hour. This book shows you how it's really done, and the amazing technology and brilliant people that do it every day. Learn who does what, when they do it, and how it's done Discover the many fields involved in crime scene investigation Understand what really happens inside a forensics lab Examine famous forensics cases more intriguing than any TV show Forensic scientists work in a variety of environments and in many different capacities. If you think television makes it look interesting, just wait until you learn what it's really like! *Forensics For*

Dummies takes you on a tour of the real-world science behind solving the case. Detailed accounts of over 30 contemporary cases, or older cases reopened as a result of advances in forensic science. Crime scene investigations draw on a wide range of cutting-edge technology including genetic fingerprinting, blood splatter analysis, laser ablation, toxicology and ballistics analysis. Cases covered here include: the abduction of Madeleine McCann; the vindication of Colin Stagg, convicted of having murdered Rachel Nickell; Hadden Clark who killed and ate a six-year-old child in Maryland; Robert Pickton, the Vancouver farmer who fed his female victims to his pigs; the murder of Meredith Kercher in Perugia (was Amanda Knox guilty?); Lindsay Hawker's gruesome death in Japan; Josef Fritzl and the cellar in which he imprisoned and raped his daughter.

Turn your elementary students into super sleuths with the 60 exciting lessons and worksheets in this unique resource! All provide complete teacher background information and reproducible activity sheets that challenge students to observe carefully, organize and record data, think critically, and conduct simple tests to solve crimes ranging from theft and dog-napping to vandalism and water pollution. Organized into four sections covering Inquiry & Technology...Earth Science...Life Science...and Physical Science.

Photographs and illustrations, along with case studies and interviews with forensic and police personnel, highlight a look at the art of forensic science and its applications in law enforcement.

Ten true stories of real-life crime scene investigators! A gold ring has been discovered at a murder scene, but police have little else to go on. Can State Patrol Investigator Richard Havel use that clue to track down the killers? A bomber is terrorizing a western community. What forensic clues can Investigator Jack Charles gather to stop and solve the bombings? Enter the secret world of crime scene investigators who use the latest forensic techniques to solve mysteries and bring criminals to justice. You will never forget these incredible true stories.

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This unique resource offers activities in earth, life, and physical science as well as science inquiry and technology. The Grades 6-12 level book provides labs on life, physical, and earth science as well as critical thinking. Like real-life forensic scientists, students observe carefully, organize, and record data, think critically, and conduct simple tests to solve crimes like theft, dog-napping, vandalism and water pollution. For added fun, each resource features an original cartoon character, Investi Gator for the Elementary level and Crime Cat for Grades 6-12. All

activities include complete background information with step-by-step procedures for the teacher and reproducible student worksheets. Whatever the teacher's training or experience in teaching science, Crime Scene Investigations can be an intriguing supplement to instruction. The bestselling author of *The Forensic Science of C.S.I.* examines the real-life cases behind the hit television series *Criminal Minds* Week after week, the hit TV show *Criminal Minds* gives viewers a look inside the psyches of the fictional serial killers tracked by the BAU (Behavioral Analysis Unit). This elite team of FBI agents travels the country assisting law enforcement officials by examining the crime scene, "profiling" the perpetrator, and aiding in arrest and interrogation. In this book Katherine Ramsland reveals how reality differs from fiction and how forensic psychologists actually use their knowledge of human behavior and motivations as consultants in criminal investigations—as well as detailing the real cases that influenced some of *Criminal Minds*'s most memorable episodes.

From the acclaimed author of *Death in the Air* ("Not since *Devil in the White City* has a book told such a harrowing tale"—Douglas Preston) comes the riveting story of the birth of criminal investigation in the twentieth century. Berkeley, California, 1933. In a lab filled with curiosities—beakers, microscopes, Bunsen burners, and hundreds upon hundreds of books—sat an investigator who would go on to crack at least two thousand cases in his forty-year career. Known as the "American Sherlock Holmes," Edward Oscar Heinrich was one of America's greatest—and first—forensic scientists, with an uncanny knack for finding clues, establishing evidence, and deducing answers with a skill that seemed almost supernatural. Heinrich was one of the nation's first expert witnesses, working in a time when the turmoil of Prohibition led to sensationalized crime reporting and only a small, systematic study of evidence. However with his brilliance, and commanding presence in both the courtroom and at crime scenes, Heinrich spearheaded the invention of a myriad of new forensic tools that police still use today, including blood spatter analysis, ballistics, lie-detector tests, and the use of fingerprints as courtroom evidence. His work, though not without its serious—some would say fatal—flaws, changed the course of American criminal investigation. Based on years of research and thousands of never-before-published primary source materials, *American Sherlock* captures the life of the man who pioneered the science our legal system now relies upon—as well as the limits of those techniques and the very human experts who wield them. Most people who work as actual crime scene investigators will tell you two things: Television doesn't always show the truth...and science never lies. But how do DNA experts, trace analysts, medical examiners, forensic pathologists, and cold case detectives work together to produce evidence and solve a case—beyond the shadow of a doubt? In this fascinating, true-life account, America's leading crime experts share their personal, unforgettable stories. From powder burn to fiber analysis, blood spatter to skeletal remains, *New York Times* bestselling author Connie Fletcher takes you into a world of crime-solving that's even grittier, more bizarre, and more shocking than any TV show. It's a thrilling ride into the dead center of a crime scene. A revealing guide to a career as a crime scene investigator written by acclaimed journalist Jacqueline Detwiler-George and based on the real-life experiences of the CSI team at the Baltimore police department—required reading for anyone considering a path to this profession. *Becoming a Crime Scene Investigator* takes you behind the scenes to find out what it's really like, and what it really takes, to become a crime scene investigator. Acclaimed journalist Jacqueline Detwiler-George shadows the crime scene investigators of the Baltimore Police Department to show how this job becomes a reality. Forensic science is an essential component of any criminal investigation. CSI evidence can tip the scales of justice during trials, helping to free the innocent and convict the guilty. Discover what it's like to process a crime scene by collecting evidence, documenting via photos, dusting for fingerprints, and analyzing blood spatter. Confront the gruesome realities of the job, tour their in-house crime labs, and watch as they process results. Gain wisdom and insight from the director of the forensic

laboratory and the chief of the forensic division—and learn how this essential job is performed at the highest level.

Going behind the storylines of the blockbuster TV franchise C.S.I., a forensic psychologist and author of *The C.S.I. Effect* examines the real-life crimes that inspired some of its most popular episodes--from mass murderer Richard Speck to the massacre of Buddhist monks at their Arizona temple--as well as the cutting-edge investigative techniques used to solve the cases.

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An Introduction to Crime Scene Investigation serves to eliminate warped impressions influenced by the media, and clearly identifies and explains the crime scene investigative process, components, methods, and procedures.

Provides a series of activities related to crime scene investigative science, including analyzing dental impressions, fingerprint detection, and handwriting forgery.

The Nutshell Studies of Unexplained Death offers readers an extraordinary glimpse into the mind of a master criminal investigator. Frances Glessner Lee, a wealthy grandmother, founded the Department of Legal Medicine at Harvard in 1936 and was later appointed captain in the New Hampshire police. In the 1940s and 1950s she built dollhouse crime scenes based on real cases in order to train detectives to assess visual evidence. Still used in forensic training today, the eighteen Nutshell dioramas, on a scale of 1:12, display an astounding level of detail: pencils write, window shades move, whistles blow, and clues to the crimes are revealed to those who study the scenes carefully. Corinne May Botz's lush color photographs lure viewers into every crevice of Frances Lee's models and breathe life into these deadly miniatures, which present the dark side of domestic life, unveiling tales of prostitution, alcoholism, and adultery. The accompanying line drawings, specially prepared for this volume, highlight the noteworthy forensic evidence in each case. Botz's introductory essay, which draws on archival research and interviews with Lee's family and police colleagues, presents a captivating portrait of Lee.

“Informative, witty . . . Kollmann delivers terse commentary and gory detail while puncturing common misconceptions about forensics.” —Booklist Step past the flashing lights into the true scene of the crime with this frank, unflinching, and unforgettable account of life as a crime scene investigator. Whether explaining rigor mortis or the art of fingerprinting a stiff corpse on the side of the road, Dana Kollmann details her true, unvarnished experiences as a CSI for the Baltimore County Police Department. “Riveting.” —M. William Phelps, *New York Times* bestselling author of *We Thought We Knew You* Unlike the popular crime dramas proliferating on today's television networks, these forensic tales forgo glitz for grit to show what really goes on. Kollmann recounts stories that the cops and the CSI's usually leave in the field, bringing the sights, smells, and sounds of a crime scene alive as never before. “Raw and real.” —Connie Fletcher, author of *Every Contact Leaves a Trace* Unveiling the process and science of crime scene investigation in all its can't-tear-your-eyes-away fascination, *Never Suck a Dead Man's Hand* takes you into the strange world behind the yellow tape, offering a

truly eye-opening perspective on the day-to-day life of a CSI. "Gritty, witty, and heartfelt . . . a must-read." —Aphrodite Jones, New York Times bestselling author of *A Perfect Husband*

Using the latest modern technology available to forensic science, crime scene investigators answer questions others never even thought to ask. Here are over 30 fascinating modern cases of forensic detective work. Genetic fingerprinting, blood splatter analysis, laser ablation, toxicology, ballistics analysis - the whole range of forensic techniques is featured. The investigators trust only the evidence to speak for those who cannot speak for themselves: the victims. The cases featured include: Tommie Lee Andrews, the first person to be convicted as a result of DNA evidence, for raping a woman during a burglary; Jeffrey Gafoor, convicted of murder in 2003 when crime scene evidence collected twelve years previously resulted in a match with his nephew; Richard W. Rogers, convicted of the murder of two of his numerous gay male victims, through vacuum metal deposition, technology which saves fingerprints from plastic bags; Dr. Sam Sheppard, the murder trial based on blood evidence that inspired the TV series "The Fugitive"; Edwin Bush, the first murderer in Britain to be brought to book thanks to an identikit picture; Derrick Todd Lee, the Baton Rouge Serial Killer, only nailed by DNA evidence, after a flawed FBI profile led big-shot investigators astray. It also includes: The Mormon Forgery Murders, an outstanding case of forensic techniques used to solve a horrifying bombing case; Albert T. Patrick, the Texan attorney tried for the murder of a millionaire businessman and convicted on handwriting evidence. These cases, usually successful - but also sometimes dangerously flawed - offer a remarkable insight into real-life scene-of-crime investigation.

A riveting blend of science writing and true-crime narrative that explores the valuable but often shocking interface between crime and nature--and the secrets each can reveal about the other--from a pioneer in forensic ecology and a trailblazing female scientist. From mud tracks on a quiet country road to dirt specks on the soles of walking boots, forensic ecologist Patricia Wiltshire uses her decades of scientific expertise to find often-overlooked clues left behind by criminal activity. She detects evidence and eliminates hypotheses armed with little more than a microscope, eventually developing a compelling thesis of the who, what, how, and when of a crime. Wiltshire's remarkable accuracy has made her one of the most in-demand police consultants in the world, and her curiosity, humility, and passion for the truth have guided her every step of the way. A riveting blend of science writing and true-crime narrative, *The Nature of Life and Death* details Wiltshire's unique journey from college professor to crime fighter: solving murders, locating corpses, and exonerating the falsely accused. Along the way, she introduces us to the unseen world all around us and underneath our feet: plants, animals, pollen, spores, fungi, and microbes that we move through every day. Her story is a testament to the power of persistence and reveals how our relationship with the vast natural world reaches far deeper than we might

think.

"[The] story of the birth of criminal investigation in the twentieth century"--
Looks at the role of forensic science in criminal investigations and examines forty high-profile cases and the diverse technologies used to solve them, including fingerprinting, handwriting analysis, DNA testing, and toxicology. Simultaneous.

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