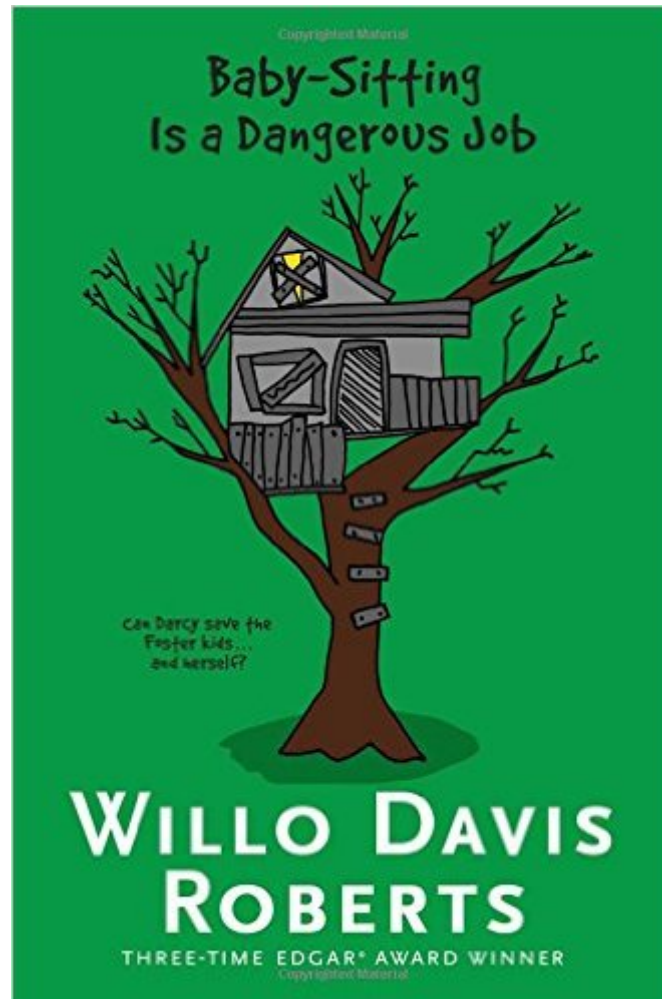


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Baby-Sitting Is A Dangerous Job (Willo Davis Roberts Mysteries)



Synopsis

A bestselling classic mystery about a baby-sitter who is kidnapped along with the three kids she is watching from three-time Edgar Award-winning author Willo Davis Roberts. A solid adventure with more than a few spine-tingling moments • (Booklist). From the moment she set eyes on the three Foster kids, Darcy knew being their baby-sitter would be no picnic. But the pay was twice her usual rate, and the job was only for a few hours a day—surely an experienced baby-sitter like her could handle it. But Darcy hadn't counted on the mysterious things that started happening at the Fosters' home after she took the job. She did everything a good baby-sitter was supposed to do: she didn't let the stranger claiming to be from the gas company into the house and she called the police when the burglar alarm went off in the middle of the afternoon. But that wasn't enough to prevent a baby-sitter's worst nightmare from coming true. Now it's up to Darcy to rescue the Foster kids—and herself—from three ruthless kidnappers.

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Thirteen-and-a-half-year-old Darcy Stevens lives in Marysville with her dad, mom, older brother Tim, and younger brothers Bobby and Jimmy. She has been babysitting since she was eleven. She has

been asked to babysit the three Foster children while their housekeeper Mrs. Murphy is having some extensive dental work done. Mr. Foster is a bank official, and Mrs./Dr. Foster is a psychiatrist. During the interview, Darcy, who has never babysat three children at once before, decides that Jeremy, six, Melissa, four, and Shana, two and a half, are spoiled and bratty, but she is promised twice her normal hourly rates and a bonus for a job well done, so she agrees. However, the three unruly kids are the least of her worries. Mysterious things start happening. When returning home from the interview and later that afternoon when out with her friend Irene, Darcy notices that she is being followed by a black car. After starting her work, she does everything a good baby sitter should do. She doesn't let the stranger claiming to be from the gas company into the home. She calls the police when the burglar alarm goes off in the middle of the afternoon. However, some time after the police leave without finding anyone, three intruders break in the house, kidnap Darcy and the Foster children for ransom, and take them to an old house out in the country where they are guarded by ferocious Dobermans. Darcy recognizes the men as the father and two brothers of her classmate Diana Hazen. What do they plan to do with the kids? Is it possible for Darcy to escape and get help? Author Willo Davis Roberts, who is a two-time Edgar Allan Poe Award winner, has created a gripping mystery story with a great deal of spine-tingling suspense, which will make it hard for most children to put down.

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