## Murderous Maths: All Shapes and Sizes - A Mathematical Mystery Mayhem

Welcome to the thrilling world of Murderous Maths, where mathematics takes a sinister turn and becomes a tool for murder. In "All Shapes and Sizes," the second installment of Kjartan Poskitt's beloved series, readers are immersed in a world where shapes and sizes conceal deadly secrets. Join us as we venture into this mathematical mystery and uncover the hidden truths that lurk within.

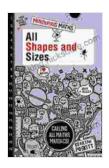
In the sleepy town of Harrogate, a series of seemingly unrelated events sends shockwaves through the community. First, a local baker is found dead in his own kitchen, his body pierced by numerous compass needles. Days later, a respected architect meets an untimely end when a massive protractor falls on his head from a nearby construction site. As the body count rises, Detective Inspector McLoud senses a sinister pattern emerging.

Enter Professor Stewart, the enigmatic math teacher with an uncanny ability to solve puzzles. Teaming up with Detective McLoud, Stewart unravels a series of mathematical clues that connect the victims to each other and point to a shadowy organization known as "The Seven Deadly Sins." This secretive group is determined to use mathematics as a weapon for revenge, targeting individuals who have wronged them in the past.

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As the investigation deepens, a diverse cast of suspects emerges. From the vengeful ex-student to the ruthless businessman, each character has a connection to the victims and a motive for murder. Among them are:

- Dr. Emily Carter: A brilliant physicist with a grudge against the university that fired her unjustly.
- Jason Parker: A troubled teenager seeking revenge on the bullies who tormented him in school.
- Mr. George Smith: A greedy businessman with a history of shady dealings.
- Ms. Sarah Jones: A reclusive mathematician harboring a dark secret.

What sets "Murderous Maths: All Shapes and Sizes" apart is its clever integration of mathematical puzzles and riddles into the plot. These puzzles range from simple geometry to complex calculus, testing the wit and logic of both readers and characters alike. Each solved puzzle brings Stewart and McLoud closer to unmasking the mastermind behind The Seven Deadly Sins.

Readers are invited to participate in these puzzles, exercising their mathematical skills and enhancing their understanding of the story. From deciphering encrypted messages to solving equations that determine suspects' alibis, the mathematical challenges add an interactive dimension to the reading experience.

As the mystery reaches its climax, a series of mathematical calamities unfolds across Harrogate. Triangles become deadly projectiles, circles transform into crushing hoops, and spheres explode with devastating force. The Seven Deadly Sins unleash their mathematical fury, leaving a trail of chaos and destruction in their wake.

Amidst this mathematical mayhem, Stewart and McLoud race against time to stop the sinister organization. Their pursuit leads them to a final confrontation at the town square, where the mastermind behind The Seven Deadly Sins reveals their true identity and their twisted plan for vengeance.

In a stunning revelation, the mastermind's true motive is unveiled. It turns out that mathematics has become a weapon of revenge, used to punish those who have committed mathematical offenses. The victims were guilty of plagiarism, academic dishonesty, and other mathematical sins that earned them the wrath of The Seven Deadly Sins.

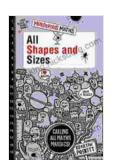
As the mystery unravels, readers gain a deeper appreciation for the power and significance of mathematics. The story highlights the importance of integrity, honesty, and the responsible use of mathematical knowledge.

"Murderous Maths: All Shapes and Sizes" is an enthralling blend of mystery, suspense, and mathematical puzzles that will captivate readers of

all ages. Kjartan Poskitt's clever writing and imaginative use of mathematics create a unique and unforgettable reading experience.

Through its engaging plot, diverse characters, and ingenious mathematical challenges, the book demonstrates that mathematics is not just about numbers and equations but also a powerful tool that can be used for both good and evil. As Detective Inspector McLoud says, "Mathematics is a language, a way of understanding the world. But like any language, it can be used for both good and evil."

Whether you are a seasoned mathematical enthusiast or simply enjoy a thrilling mystery, "Murderous Maths: All Shapes and Sizes" promises to provide hours of entertainment, intrigue, and mathematical enlightenment.

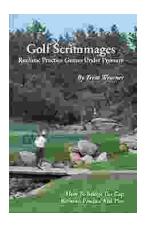


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