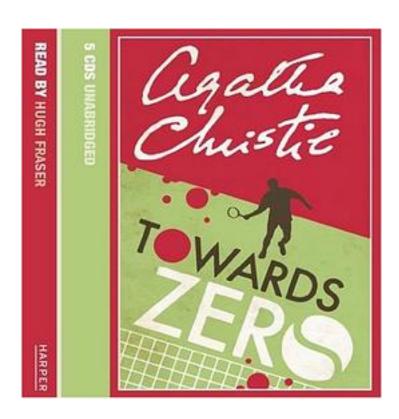
## Towards Zero



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What is the connection between a failed suicide attempt, a wrongful accusation of theft against a schoolgirl, and the romantic life of a famous tennis player?

To the casual observer, apparently nothing. But when a houseparty gathers at Gull's Point, the seaside home of an elderly widow, earlier events come to a dramatic head.

As superintendent Battle discovers, it is all part of a carefully paid plan - for murder...

'Agatha Christie has surpassed herself.' New York Times

## 作者介绍:

Agatha Christie is known throughout the world as the Queen of Crime. Her books have sold over a billion copies in English with another billion in 100 foreign languages. She is the most widely published author of all time and in any language, outsold only by the Bible and Shakespeare. She is the author of 80 crime novels and short story collections, 19 plays, and six novels written under the name of Mary Westmacott.

Agatha Christie's first novel, The Mystery Affair of Styles, was written towards the end of the First World War, in which she served as a VAD. In it she created Hercule Poirot, the little Belgian detective who was destined to become the most popular detective in crime fiction since Sherlock Holmes. It was eventually published by The Bodley Head in 1920.

In 1926, after averaging a book a year, Agatha Christie wrote her masterpiece. The Murder of Roger Ackroyd was the first of her books to be published by Collins and marked the beginning of an author-publisher relationship which lasted for 50 years and well over 70 books. The Murder of Roger Ackroyd was also the first of Agatha Christie's books to be dramatised - under the name Alibi - and to have a successful run in London's West End. The Mousetrap, her most famous play of all, opened in 1952 and is the longest-running play in history.

Agatha Christie was made a Dame in 1971. She died in 1976, since when a number of books have been published posthumously: the bestselling novel Sleeping Murder appeared later that year, followed by her autobiography and the short story collection Miss Marple's Final Cases, Problem at Pollensa Bay and While the Light Lasts. In 1998 Black Coffee was the first of her plays to be novelised by another author, Charles Osborne.

(from the first pages of Agatha Christie's paperbacks published by HarperCollins)

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评论
这篇略有点惊心动魄啊,氛围和人物塑造的极好,电影感非常强。剧情推理上有点弱,没有波洛的话就没有那些匪夷所思的推理和发现了,Battle强于行动而略弱于推理,更多的是一个精明的警探。还有,阿加莎似乎很喜欢Vanity Fair的模式啊,Dobbin似的角色已经出现了好几次了。罪犯又让人想起来三幕悲剧里的角色。还有,最后不变的是阿加莎对新时代与旧时代的敏感,年轻与老年的对比,贯紧整本书。
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They begin with the murder. But the murder is the end.   Narrated By Hugh Fraser
Had so much potentials up till hour zero. Must you turn it into a romatic melodrama?
 Love is easy to be turned to hatred. 后面证据部分有点牵强。场景画面感还可以。人不能总是那么光鲜,总有点黑暗点。

It may be just by being somewhere - not doing anything - just by being at a certain place at a certain time Just by doing that accomplish something terribly important - perhaps even without knowing what it was.
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红蔷薇和白雪花两个完全不同性格的女人各自都有让人无法抗拒的魅力前者在精心设计的缘分中得到虚伪的爱后者在疯狂的爱的压迫下战战兢兢她们都拥有自己美好的爱情在身边红蔷薇选择了放弃白雪花痛苦的失去容忍的外表下可能是自私的心放弃一切的绝望也会有重生...

我看的时候设想	某些方面感觉很勉强。 了所有的可能性。每一 者的意图,而不是实际	-条似乎都没有不合	理性。突然意识	
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远被低估。"零点"这个概念在阿婆之前的作品早有体现,在这本书中更是发挥到了极致,这是由 个阿婆写了不下十次的三角关系发展成的精彩故事。有人说这本只有布局有点看头, 我完全不同意。看阿婆的书真正乐趣并不是靠推理或臆测得到答案,而是读者不断推断 、怀疑的过程,你会...

我很偏爱的一本,我心头克里斯蒂小说能排在前三位的一本。 很喜欢它的写法,谋杀在很久前就开始了,所有的事情都在走向那个决定性的时刻.... 虽然它不是波洛的故事,但没有这个重头人物的好处是,其他角色能有更充分的笔墨展 现性格。我一直希望看到它被改编为电影,经常瞎...

耐心的看完前面的相当于引子的部分,一个个人物顺序出场,原来都是有用意的。全程都需要高度紧张,认真思考,但是,我依然没有猜到凶手。。。第一个嫌疑人出场的时候,我以为不过是个小儿科,太在意料之中了。 结果,反转,再反转,震惊之余又觉得一切顺理成章。 作者给你...

在我迄今看过的阿加莎.克里斯蒂的系列作品中,《罗杰疑案》应该算是最好的一部, 人物、故事、犯罪的起因、动机、结果,以及情节的安排和细节处理都合情合理,滴水不漏,可以说没有任何破绽和瑕疵。当然,作为犯罪小说,罪犯不管多么高明狡猾,总 会留下一点丝蛛丝马迹,实际上,....

我觉得吧,所有主角非波洛,非马普尔的小说,要么奇异精致,灵气尽显,要么就是读 完之后吐出隔夜饭的极品。 这本书的开头光芒四射,情节总体而言也算上乘。 非要挑出个缺点,就是凶手太明显,就差没印在封面上了,尤其要是你读过不少阿加莎 其他作品的话。

越来越觉得给侦探小说写书评是一件非常愚蠢的事,一不小心就剧透,努力不剧透吧, 也不太好找可以插入一脚写一写的点,所以只能尽量多写点废话,美其名曰,以通俗易 懂(唠家常)的方式解读书籍。 不过要是叫我干脆别写侦探小说的书评了,我可是断断不能答应的,毕竟我是一个有原

小说前三章都是叙述一个爱情幸运儿奈维尔的家庭故事。秀美修养好的前妻奥德莉和热 情直率的妻子凯伊都来到海边亲戚家中度假。他作为一名绅士不得不顾及爱护她们两个 人的情绪的苦恼。但是这个大家庭主人仆人客人都感觉到恐惧、奇怪的不愉快时光。小 说描述日常生活中,读者都可以...

婆婆的书结局永远都在意料之外,一波多折,最后结局暖暖的。 马克怀特叹了一口气。他取出皮夹,仔细地查看。他喃喃说:

"一份特别结婚证书需要花不少钱。我明天一早得先去银行提钱。"

"我可以借你一些钱。" 奥德莉低声说。

"你可不能做这种事。如果我要娶一个女人,结婚…

前面的50%内容情节进展缓慢,看似零散,没有主线。有弃读的念头,又感觉作者不至 于low到这个程度。耐心看到后面,高潮一浪一浪,还不错。 事后,再回头看前面的章节,埋下了不少伏笔,奠定了基调。虽然会觉得稍微有点咯嗦 ,不过整体看来还是一部不错的小说,构思奇特

去年读马原的《阅读大师》时就对一个问题感到不解:马原在介绍阿加莎.克里斯蒂的 时候举的范例是《走向决定性的时刻》,而不是阿婆最著名的《尼罗河的惨案》和《东 方快车的谋杀》,甚至也不是我个人非常喜欢的《无人生还》,那么,《时刻》(也叫 《零时》) 这本书究竟是什么地方...

一本讲述阿婆侦探小说创作理念的书,这也是那篇看似无关的"序"存在的目的: "我喜欢好的侦探故事,但是它们打一开头就是错的。它们都以谋杀为开端,而谋杀应该是结尾。故事其实在那之前早就开始了,有时甚至可以追溯到多年以前,是各种各样的原因和一系列的事件把某些人在某...

豆瓣第一个书评,好巧正是爱的阿婆。

这本我读得时快时慢,对于以往阿婆精工细致的谋杀,这本确实是巧思,但布局略不完美,前面花了很多时间给每个人物尽情发挥,故事也一步步走到了幕后黑手,通常推理小说最后十多页给出真相会让我精神抖擞,但这本前面的故事氛围实在太精彩,...

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