Before reading

1. Look at the front cover of the book. What can you see? Where do you think the story takes place? What do you think the story is about?

2. Read the blurb on the back cover. What do you know about Jack Daly? Who do you think drives the Chevrolet on the front: Daly, Judy or Flick Laine?

3. Match the chapter titles with sentences from each chapter.
   - Chapter 1: The doctor
   - Chapter 2: Dead
   - Chapter 3: Questions
   - Chapter 4: The key
   - Chapter 5: The green Toyota

   a) “When I came back to Dr. Daly’s office later, it was there again, in the door.”
   b) ... he worked at the University of Colorado Hospital in Denver.
   c) But she drove very fast.
   d) “Was there anybody here who didn’t like him?” I asked.
   e) And behind Daly’s body, out the window, was Denver.

4. Look at People in the story on page 4. Now look at the pictures in the book. Can you find Flick Laine, Jack Daly, Judy Kaplan, Leo Cohn, Danny Reno, Mr and Mrs Mitchell, Mark Johnson?

5. If you have the recording, listen to Chapter 1.

Check your reading

Chapter 1

1. Write the names of the people in the story.
   - a Who is Flick Laine’s friend?
   - b Who drives a ’57 Chevy?
   - c Who wanted to see Flick again?
   - d Who told Flick that Daly was dead?
   - e Who thought Daly killed himself?

2. At the end of Chapter 1, what did Flick know about Daly? Write K (know) or DK (didn’t know) in the boxes.
   - a Daly was famous. ☐
   - b Daly was unhappy. ☐
   - c Daly worked at the hospital. ☐
   - d Judy liked Daly. ☐
   - e A lot of women liked Daly. ☐

3. What did Daly want to talk about with Flick?

Chapter 2

1. Match the times to the sentences.
   - 1 about 8:15
   - 2 9 o’clock in the morning
   - 3 fifteen minutes later
   - 4 9:20 in the morning

   a) He found him. Dead.
   b) I was in his office.
   c) And behind Daly’s body, out the window, was Denver.
   d) I drove fast and turned the radio on.

2. Complete the summary.
   Daly’s office was big, and looked ............... .
   Flick asked ............... to take some .............. of the room and the gun.
   The gun was in Daly’s ............... hand, but Flick thought that he was ............... .
   Mark Johnson, the ............... man, found Daly’s ............... . He said Daly was a ............... guy. Flick didn’t think Daly ............... himself.

3. At the end of Chapter 2, Flick asks: ‘So who did kill him?’ What do you think?

Chapter 3

1. Match Judy Kaplan’s answers to Flick’s questions.
   - 1 Was Daly happy here?
   - 2 When did he start at the hospital?
   - 3 Was there anybody here who didn’t like him?
   - 4 And before he came here?

   a) He was in Florida, I think. Miami.
   b) I don’t think so.
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1. I don’t know. I think so.
2. Only about a year ago.

2. What did Flick know at the end of Chapter 3? Write S (sure) or NS (not sure) in the boxes.
   a Jack Daly was rich. □
   b Some people at the hospital didn’t like Daly. □
   c Jack Daly was murdered. □
   d Daly worked in Miami before he came to Denver. □
   e The killer used Daly’s gun. □
   f The killer was Jeff Baker. □
   g The note in Daly’s office was from someone in Denver. □

Chapter 4

1. What did Mark Johnson do on the day before Daly’s murder? Put the sentences in the right order.
   a When he finished cleaning the office, the key wasn’t in the door.
   b He opened the door to Daly’s office and left the key in the door.
   c When he came back to Daly’s office, the key was there again, in the door.
   d He closed the door and then he cleaned the next office.

2. Match the person to the description.
   1 … He wore a dirty-brown T-shirt and he had a face like an angry dog.
   2 … a big red-haired woman
   3 … the young man
   4 … a young woman, pretty, about twenty-five or twenty-six. I think … short brown hair.
   a Mrs. Mitchell
   b The woman with the key
   c Mr. Mitchell
   d Mark Johnson

Chapter 5

1. Match the beginnings and endings.
   1 Flick and Judy went to Fairmount cemetery
   2 At the cemetery, there was a young woman
   3 Flick saw the woman drive away
   4 Flick drove behind her in her Chevy
   5 Danny Reno told Flick that
   a in a green Toyota.
   b to say goodbye to Jack Daly.
   c but the Toyota was faster.
   d the Toyota’s driver was Sandy Baker.
   e of about twenty-five, with short brown hair.

Chapter 6

1. Look at the words in italics. Who is I, you, he, the doctor?
   a I’m here to talk about Jack Daly and why you were at Fairmount cemetery today.
   b I just wanted to see that he was dead, you see … for Jeff.
   c Everyone said he was very, very good. A star football player.
   d … the doctor ‘helped’ my brother with his back and then Jeff stopped walking too.
   e He killed himself?

2. Can you say what is going to happen in the last chapter?

Chapter 7

1. Complete the summary with names of people. …………. didn’t kill Daly. But she did something stupid; she sent him the letter that said, ‘You are never going to forget …………………’ . Flick thought about what ………………. said about the woman in the hardware store: ‘a young pretty woman with short brown hair’. That was like ………………. or Flick’s friend, Judy Kaplan. At the party, Judy thought that ………………. was ………………. new woman. ………………. loved Daly but he didn’t love her. It was bad love which made ………………. kill Daly.
Worksheet
Level 1

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After reading
Choose some of these activities.

1. Flick Laine is a detective. Would you like to do her job?
2. Choose five of the pictures. Write a sentence about each picture.
3. Have you read a book or seen a film with a story like Bad Love?
4. Write a letter to the author Sue Leather. Tell her what you liked or didn’t like about the book.
5. Imagine you work for a newspaper. Write the story of the Daly murder. Take two pictures from the book for your story.
6. You are making a film of Bad Love. Which film stars play Flick Laine, Judy Kaplan and Jack Daly?
7. Word search. There are 12 words from the story in this puzzle. How many can you find?

8. Make your own activities for other students to do, e.g. make a word search puzzle or write some True/False questions.

9. Here is the blurb from another book at this level.

Just Like a Movie
Brad Black likes the movies. He goes every weekend with his girlfriend, Gina. They are happy. But they have no money. Then Brad has an idea and thinks that real life can be just like the movies – and that’s when things go wrong.

Do you want to read Just Like a Movie?