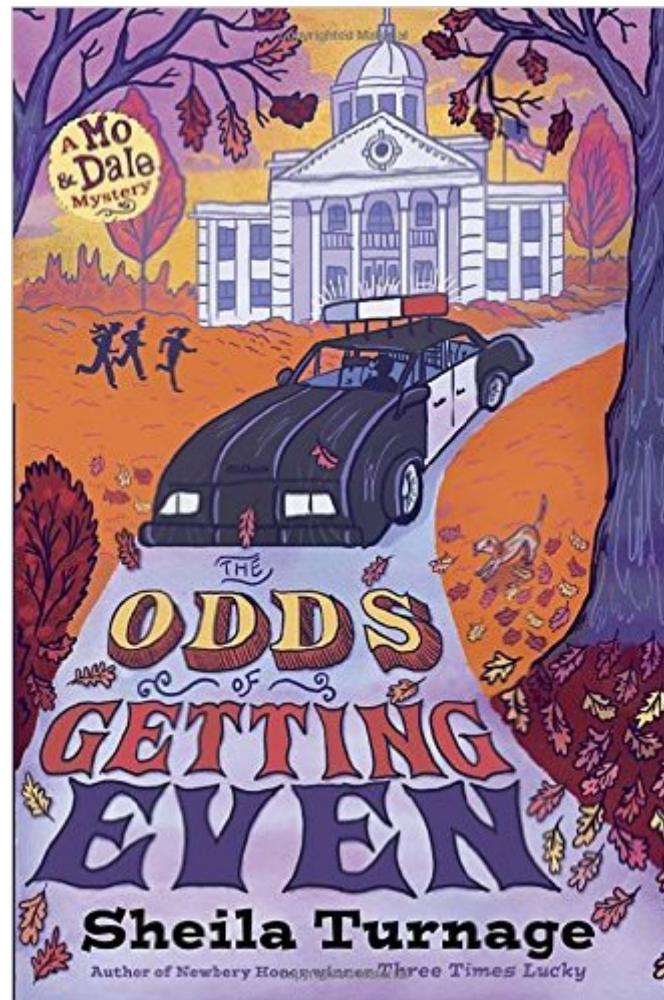


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The Odds Of Getting Even



Synopsis

Humor and action abound in this second follow-up to the Newbery honor winner and New York Times bestseller, *Three Times Lucky*. The trial of the century has come to Tupelo Landing, NC. Mo and Dale, aka Desperado Detectives, head to court as star witnesses against Dale's daddy--confessed kidnapper Macon Johnson. Dale's nerves are jangled, but Mo, who doesn't mind getting even with Mr. Macon for hurting her loved ones, looks forward to a slam dunk conviction--if everything goes as expected. Of course nothing goes as expected. Macon Johnson sees to that. In no time flat, Macon's on the run, Tupelo Landing's in lockdown, and Dale's brother's life hangs in the balance. With Harm Crenshaw, newly appointed intern, Desperado Detectives are on the case. But it means they have to take on a tough client--one they'd never want in a million years. For everyone who's already fallen for Mo and Dale, and for anyone who's new to Tupelo Landing, *The Odds of Getting Even* is a heartwarming story that perfectly blends mystery and action with more serious themes about family and fathers, all without ever losing its sense of humor.

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Customer Reviews

I have really enjoyed all three books in the series! Mo and Dale are great characters, and their help is critical for keeping crime off the streets in Tupelo Landing. In the descriptions of some of the places around town, I think the author assumed we would look at the map. However, in the digital

edition, the map of the town is at the very end and there's no advance notice. I didn't find it til I hit the last page. It would have made some scenes easier to follow. I guess I'll just have to read all three books again, while we wait for Mo and Dale's next adventure - and I'm looking forward to that.

Sheila Turnage has turned Mo and Dale into my favorite pint sized literary characters. Her turn of phrase, her pacing, and her eclectic mix of characters make each of the Mo and Dale tales a must read. I was hooked with Three Times Lucky, adored The Ghosts of Tupelo Landing, and absolutely loved The Odds of Getting Even. The characters just get richer and fleshed out with each new arrival. Thank you, Sheila Turnage for a series that my students and I can't seem to shake, nor do we want to!

This book about Mo is just as fun and enjoyable as the other 2 Mo and her gang solve a great mystery involving Dales father. Love this series. I can hardly wait for the next one to come out. I love the adventures of Mo and her down the river family

I read the first two books to my students and I was excited to see that Sheila Turnage is keeping the series going with this third book. The characters are so likeable and the story keeps you on the edge of your seat. My students listened intently to every chapter, and hated to have the books end. The books have just enough twists and turns to keep you guessing. Love the adventures of Mo, Dale and Harm, aka, Desperado Detectives. You can't forget all the other charming characters of Tupelo Landing who wander in and out of the local cafe. They all seem to become almost like friends and neighbors as you are immersed into the town and its residents with each turn of the page. I'd recommend buying and reading the first two books, as the story continues nicely from one to another. Thank you Sheila Turnage for your fine writing. My students and I thank you!

It was an amazing book! A few parts I read I kept reading over and over just letting it sink in! I loved it soooo much! Totally met my expectations, and I also love it when you can't guess what is going to happen! I absolutely cannot wait until the next one comes out! Or I hope there will be a fourth book!

I have quickly become a Sheila Turnage fan! I loved this book, as I did her others. She has an amazing capacity to weave humor, good story and stunning metaphoric language throughout her books. She is right up there with my other fav, Sharon Creech!! originally read her first book as a 4th grade teacher always on the look out for good reads for students, but I have since retired and wait

patiently for MYSELF for her next book to come out. Love the characters too. They are like my friends!

This is one of the very few MG series that I actually hope will become a classic. I would like for Mo's name to be as famous as, say, Scout Finch or Nancy Drew. I'd like for everyone who reads out there to discover what a wonderful writer Sheila Turnage is. Her Mo and Dale stories will be one of those that I will recommend A LOT to people hoping to shine more light on these amazing books!! I think what works so well here is a combination of very developed and unique characters with a wonderful setting that plays a huge role in the events (yet never upstages them) with, most importantly, a wonderful sense of humor! There are many books out there that allow me to chuckle or smile, but aren't very many of those that will make me openly laugh or read the whole chapter grinning. I hold interactions of Mo, Dale and Lavender responsible for that! The way they think, talk and generally express themselves is pure pleasure to read about. On top of that we get a first-class mystery where events unfold with the speed of lightning, and there you have a perfect formula for smart, kind and hilarious entertainment. The whole cast of Tupelo Landing becomes like family, everyone has a unique voice and is involved in the events (even if as a spectator) - so we get to meet all of them all over again. I wish Sheila Turnage would give us a book every couple of months! Whether you are a big middle grade literature fan or only venture in this genre when something very acclaimed by others comes along, "The Odds of Getting Even" is absolutely The Book to get. As a matter of fact, all three of the books in the series (starting with "Three Times Lucky" which is a Newbery Honor winner) are a must buy. I'm truly jealous of readers who are just about to discover Southern charm of Tupelo Landing and Mo for the first time. Lucky you! I wish you Happy Reading as I'm patiently waiting for the next installment...

Absolutely one of the best books -- I loved it as much as Three Times Lucky and Ghosts of Tupelo Landing. Often with sequels they don't match the first book. Every one of these is fantastic. I howled reading it. I only hope there are more

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