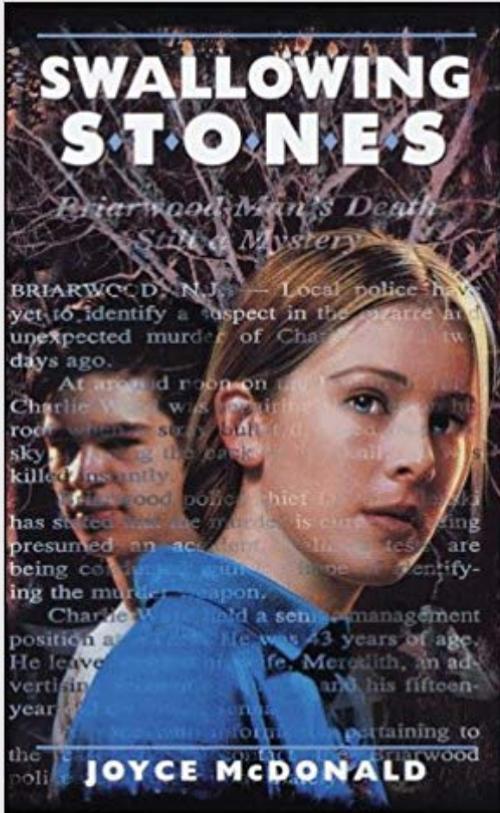


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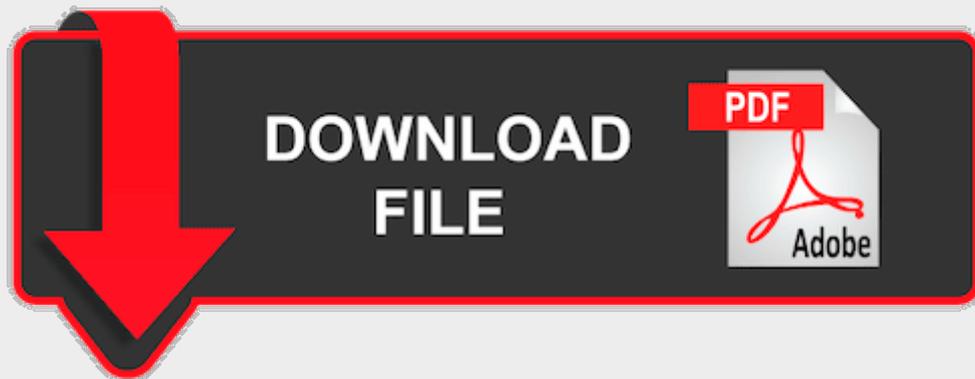
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It begins with a free and joyful act--but from then on, Michael finds it impossible even to remember what it felt like to be free and joyful. When he fires his new rifle into the air on his seventeenth birthday, he never imagines that the bullet will end up killing someone. But a mile away, a man is killed by that bullet as he innocently repairs his roof. And Michael keeps desperately silent while he watches his world crumble. Meanwhile Jenna, the dead man's daughter, copes with desperation of her own. Through her grief, she tries to understand why she no longer feels comfortable with her boyfriend and why a near stranger named Michael keeps appearing in her dreams. Suspenseful and powerfully moving, this is the unforgettable story of an accidental crime and its haunting web of repercussions.



Reviews of the *Swallowing Stones* by Joyce McDonald

1. Gold as Heart

Summer homework blah. My son was soooooo mad he had to read this for 9th grade over the summer, turns out it is a really good book and he couldn't put it down. He hates to read. This book was awesome he said.

2. Andromajurus

Great, great book. This is the summer reading book for my rising freshman in High School daughter. As an adult it was frustrating at times reading this and watching decisions unfold. But, I TOTALLY get why they chose it for a 15 year old to read. Fantastic tale with great foundational lessons.

3. Munimand

bought for my son for a school reading assignment

4. great ant

Ordered this for my granddaugther for HS, so I did not read it. But from what I heard about it, why are they not teaching the classics in school or maybe a little American History. Kids come out of school not even knowing how many states there are. Got here on time, good packaging, she passed the course.

5. Cordantrius

I read this because it was my daughter's summer reading. It was very good.

6. Zeleence

Ive read this book three times and made several of my students read it and it has made an impression. The main characters are Michael and Jenna and they are both superbly written. Another character to whom I really like is the supporting character of Amy Ruggiero. Without writing any more, please do yourself a favor and read this book.

7. Llbery

Used this book with a group of summer school students. They loved it and were sorry it ended. It is interesting how McDonald combines the two story lines at the end.

8. purchased for my grand daughter for school. she was required to read two book over the summer, she didn't care for this one as much as she did Heaven is for Real

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