



### Sophie Souid



# Lead 1: those who whisper lie

### Spor 1: den der hvisker lyver

An exciting new crime series aimed at 9-13 year-olds by the winner of the Orla Prize 2024. Two more titles are planned.

**Sophie Souid** is an award-winning Danish children's book author known for her great humourous writing.

## SYNOPSIS

Every child's nightmare becomes reality for Billy when his mum suddenly disappears. She went out to buy milk and never returned and now, all he has got is an empty flat and an unknown telephone number.

Billy sets out to search for leads to his mum. But it is difficult, because his mum is not who he thought she was.

Who was Billy's - so seemingly normal - mum and where has she gone?

Luckily, Billy gets help from an unknown angle.

Sophia Souid has won the Skriverprisen 2024 for LEAD 1.

#### REVIEWS

"Linguistically and plotwise superior." – (Politiken - 5 Hearts )

"It is an incredibly exciting story about Billy, who embarks on a hectic hunt to find his vanished mother. Billy's quiet everyday life with the mother is drastically changed and there turns out to be many things that Billy's mum has omitted to tell her son. The attention of the reader is caught from the prologue's first page when a stranger rings the doorbell at Billy's flat when he is home alone. The book is well-written and the language is current. The cover is very appealing and the blurb is exciting without revealing too much. The story has an open ending and I can almost not wait to read the sequel!" – (Lektørudtalelse - Library review)



Original Language: Danish Original Publisher: <u>Gads Forlag</u> Published: February, 2024 160 pages Category: <u>Children's Books</u> Sub-category: <u>Middle-Grade</u> Genre: <u>Crime</u> Themes: <u>Courage</u>, <u>Family</u> Available material: English sample.

#### **Territories Handled**

World except: Danish