

13 Little Blue Envelopes By Maureen Johnson

Everything about Ginny will change this summer and it's all because of 13 little blue envelopes...Ginny aged 17 is left 13 little blue envelopes by her free spirited young Aunt Peg. Ginny could have open all of the envelopes at one time she doesn't which in itself is curious but as she opens the first she finds money and instructions to buy a one way ticket to London. She really has no idea what to expect not having seen her aunt in a long time never even knowing she was sick and again she's not a risk taker but she undertakes the journey and follows her aunt's instructions. You won't be sorry! Anglais Great!!!! Thanks Anglais Really enjoyed this book; didn't even realize that it was originally a YA book until I'd finished it and read that somewhere else: Little does she know just how much they will change her life...Inside envelope No 1 is money and instructions to buy a plane ticket, Inside envelope No 2 are directions to a specific London flatInside envelope No 3 a note to Ginny says: Find a starving artist. And because of envelope No 4 Ginny and a man called Keith go to Scotland together with somewhat disastrous - though utterly romantic - results. 13 Little Blue EnvelopesIt's a wonderful book for the young minds: The story is no doubt very mesmerizing and attracts the reader to go inside and know next, Anglais My daughter a college student in the US told me I should read this (with an underlying MUST), I read it as a mother she read it as 19 yr old 2nd year college student in fact the epitomy of Ginny the main character, The book says that Ginny who has just finished school changes because of the envelopes, As a mother of a girl the same age this transition between school and life happens anyway, How it affects the teen girl (or boy) depends on what happens next, Some go on successfully to college some choose a gap year some hang out unsure and afraid of what lies ahead. She is dealing with confusion about her life at this transitory point when a dramatic event that changes her life's direction is spring upon her: She is left 13 blue envelopes by a favourite rather eccentricdeceased aunt, The instructions are explicit open them at a specific time and follow the instructions contained within. She must take only a back back no ipod mobile phone laptop or the general trappings attached to the average teen, That envelope tells her what to do and where to go initially. After that there is a certain amount of strange free choice with each letter which then makes Ginny's voyage into the unknown far her own than her aunt's exact planning. This book (and its sequel which is also a must read). This book is dramatically hitting the book charts in the US and I am really confused as to why this is not happening in the UK. Anglais I loved this book! But what's not to love? It had everything; tragedy triumph romance crime action adventure travel and it was down right fun, Her Aunt Peg has died and she has been given an envelope with some cash a list of rules and a quest to fulfill: They are numbered sequentially and the number of the count is 13. Thou shall not count to 12 unless thereby thou proceed to 13. Coincidentally the envelopes are also all blueand on the small size hence the title of the book, Now Ginny could cheat and open all the envelopes and read them but Aunt Peg's rules were very specific: She had a plan and the envelopes were not to be read except in order and at the ordained location or time frame, Ginny never having been anywhere is understandably nervous about undertaking this trip. She is to take one backpack only and only what will fit in the backpack, She is to take no travel books and nothing to record her journey in. And she is not allowed to use phone computer camera Internet or any other electronic devices or tools, Oh yeah! She's going to England!!!But alone is an intimidating prospect especially for a 17 year old who has never been out of the country, I personally would have reveled in the experience but I have family from the UK and became obsessed from an early age: I went off to England by myself but I was 29 at the time, Got off the plane rented a car and just drove for 2 1/2 weeks. She has to go find some strange man who is expecting her and she is going to stay with him while in England: But she has other things she has to do as well like find an artistic stranger and support their artistic vision with 500 pounds, She also has to go find some artist in Scotland Aunt Peg was friends with: If you didn't guess before Aunt Peg was what we call a unique individual: She gave up the rat race and just went off to pursue her dreams and follow along wherever the wind would take her: A hippie? Definitely but she lived each day of her life to the fullest and she was trying to teach Ginny how to do the same. So Ginny follows the instructions in

the envelopes to the letter ends up traveling all over Europe in some less than ideal circumstances at times and has the time of her life: Hello life! If you think you would enjoy a story about a girl who ends up finding herself on the back roads of Europe this would probably be a good book for you. So go out there and grab that book by the cover and don't stop reading until the end. Totally believable character (how does an adult writer get into a teen's mind/life so well?) and great plot. The story is so beautiful and loveable. I was enchanted with it it is a truly amazing read. Both my daughter and I read it from different perspectives. Ginny falls into this latter category. On the plane she opens no 2. The ending is not what you think it will be. For both parents and late teens this is a MUST READ. 13 Little Blue Envelopes. Then read the last little blue envelope. Ginny is our main character. She is not a risk taker by any means. She has left for Ginny some envelopes. 14 is right out. Sorry. She is to only take the money her aunt left her. And she cannot contact anyone back in the States. I also did do just that. It was quite an adventure but I have a travelling heart. But back to our story. Aunt Peg has very explicit instructions for Ginny. Some might say flighty. Eccentric? Perhaps probably. Talk about life changing events. Well this one is one of the big ones. Treats love in its various forms very well. Looking forward to The Last Little Blue Envelope the sequel. Anglais

