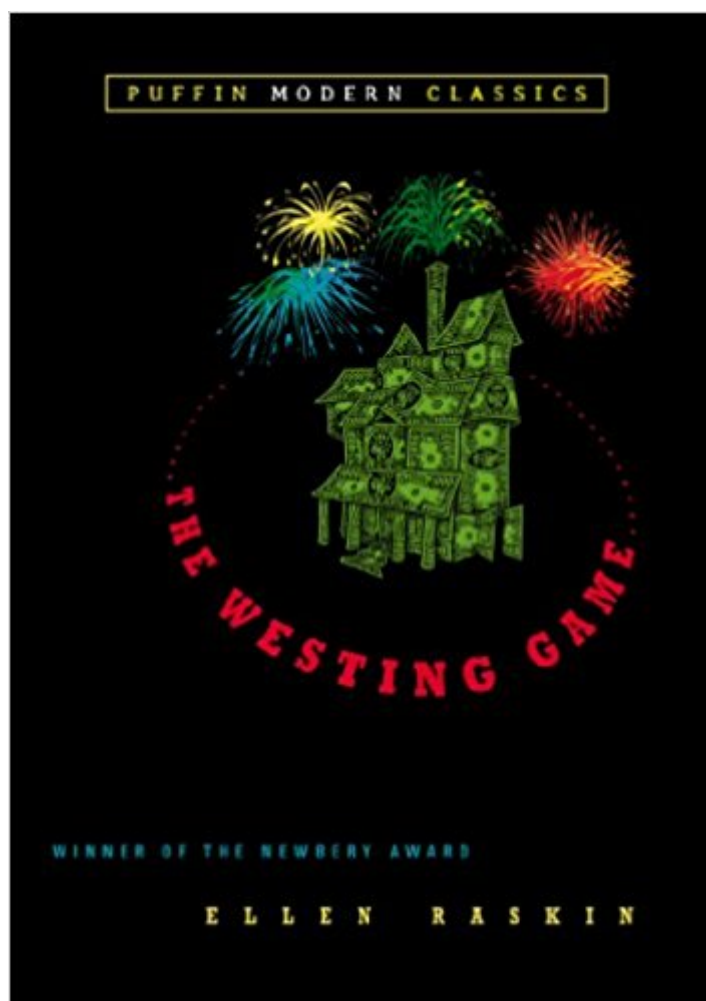


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# The Westing Game (Puffin Modern Classics)



## Synopsis

A Newbery Medal Winner "A supersharp mystery...confoundingly clever, and very funny."  
"Booklist, starred review" A bizarre chain of events begins when sixteen unlikely people gather for the reading of Samuel W. Westing's will. And though no one knows why the eccentric, game-loving millionaire has chosen a virtual stranger and a possible murderer to inherit his vast fortune, on things for sure: Sam Westing may be dead but that won't stop him from playing one last game! Winner of the Newbery Medal Winner of the Boston Globe/Horn Book Award An ALA Notable Book "Great fun for those who enjoy illusion, word play, or sleight of hand." "The New York Times Book Review" A fascinating medley of word games, disguises, multiple aliases, and subterfuges "a demanding but rewarding book." "The Horn Book

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## Customer Reviews

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Ellen Raskin was born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and grew up during the Great Depression. She was the author of several novels, including the Newbery Medal-winning *The Westing Game*, the Newbery Honor-winning *Figgs & Phantoms*, *The Tattooed Potato* and other clues, and *The*

Mysterious Disappearance of Leon (I Mean Noel). She also wrote and illustrated many picture books and was an accomplished graphic artist. She designed dust jackets for dozens of books, including the first edition of Madeleine L'Engle's classic *A Wrinkle in Time*. Ms. Raskin died at the age of fifty-six on August 8, 1984, in New York City.

As a kid, this was one of my favorite books, as an adult, I still think back to this book. I read it for the first time in 5th grade, it's kind of like *Clue*. It has lots of characters ranging from kids, to older people all trying to figure out who the heir of the Westing Fortune is. Really fun book!

this is my favorite childhood book and i loved giving it to my 12 year old for christmas. she liked the cursed child from grandma better... lol... she's never been a big mystery fan but i have been and this is by far one of the best written.

Very fast delivery!!! One of my favorite books...even if it is for younger readers-Im 30! HAHA! Well it is my fourth or fifth time reading it! I would highly recommend this book!

A book about games, forgiveness, working hard, and growing up. A book geared for school-aged and adult readers too. A must read!

Excellent book to get kids involved in mysteries. Easy to understand, yet clever enough that solution is not obvious. Good page turner that you don't want to put down.

Modern classic is very accurate, I recently read this as an adult after many years since my first read-through as a teen. The book is actually better than I remembered and I greatly enjoyed it. I really can't describe it here without spoilers, so just go ahead and read it, you won't be disappointed.

A fun puzzle as each person mentioned in Westings' will gets all of the skeletons flushed from closet. I read this for the first time as an adult and enjoyed each page. The children in the story are intelligent, full characters even when the adult characters don't give them credit for it.

What do sixteen people, an abandoned house, an apartment complex, and a mystery have to do with millions of dollars? You will have to read this book to find out. In fact, the story's a blast!

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