



## IT'S TIME TO UNRAVEL THE SECRETS OF THE PAST

In Tim Bradley's action-packed novel, *Arnie Jenks and the House of Strangers*, Arnie is on a whistle-stop tour through time – but can he find the most important secret buried at Shabbington Hall?

12-year-old Arnie Jenks is waiting to be collected by his aunt from a school trip to the crumbling, ancient Shabbington Hall when a sudden heavy snow fall forces him to stay there the night. As he wanders the corridors and rooms in search of hidden secrets he is suddenly, without warning, transported back in time...

**“Everything around him looked similar, though slightly rearranged... as he saw the snow had gone... time had changed again...”**

Arnie travels from the present day to the Victorian era, then to the First World War, back to the 1600s before catapulted forward to a long hot summer in 1976. Risking his life to save a soldier boy on the run, freeing the victim of a bungled burglary from a locked room, to being challenged by a stranger on board a dying ship – this is just the start of an eventful night at Shabbington Hall for our young protagonist. Why is this happening to him and what will he finally discover from these strangers who he has never met – till now?

The snow begins to thaw. It is time for him to go home – but the truth about that night means that life for Arnie Jenks can never be the same again...

The story of *Arnie Jenks and the House of Strangers* is an exciting adventure that will keep readers guessing. “I’ve always wanted to write a story that as a young boy myself, would have sparked my imagination. The adventures of a boy let loose in a house full of secrets felt just the right place to start,” says Tim on the inspiration behind his book.

**TIM BRADLEY** was born in Portsmouth in 1964. After obtaining his degree from Southampton University, he joined the BBC where he became a producer in television drama. In 2000 he began freelancing, moving across broadcast channels. Titles include *Teachers* (Channel 4), *Primeval* (ITV) *Silent Witness* (BBC), *D-Day* (BBC) and *Death in Paradise* (BBC). He lives in Buckinghamshire with his wife, son and dog. *Arnie Jenks and the House of Strangers* is Tim's debut novel.



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