**In the Heat of the Night, by John Ball**

Overall, this book is really great! I enjoyed the mystery and the suspense in the story. The main character, Virgil is very strong and intelligent. He's a black man and this story included a lot of racism. He proved himself to be just as good as any white man though which proves his strength. Also, the book was set in a different time which made it very interesting.

I recommend this book to anyone who enjoys suspense in a novel.