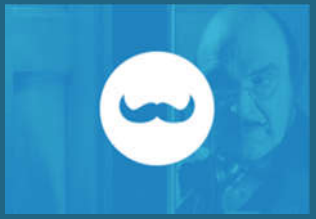
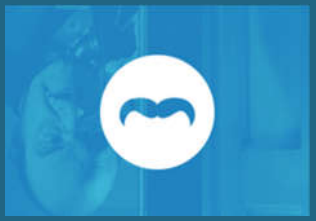
	1920		The Mysterious Affair at Styles		Agatha Christie's first novel was the	result of a dare from her sister Madge, who	
	challenged her to write a story. The story begins	when Hastings is sent back to England	from the First World War due to injury and is	invited to spend his sick leave at the	beautiful Styles Court by his old friend	John Cavendish. Here, Hastings	
	meets John's step-mother,	Mrs. Inglethorpe, and her new husband, Alfred.		Despite the tranquil surroundings Hastings	begins to realize that all is not right.	When Mrs Inglethorpe is found poisoned,	
	suspicion falls on the family, and another old friend,	Hercule Poirot, is invited to investigate.					

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