

The Fitting



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The why and how of the murder of a young college dropout is revealed in the narration of five center-of-consciousness, with emphasis on both the discovery of who-did-it? and the exploration of what-does-it-mean? Amos Shapiro, an octagenarian tailor, a Russian immigrant who fought at the battle of Stalingrad, is enlisted by Amos Hathaway, a Wasp detective, to help solve the crime, leading to a confrontation that is passionate, exploding into fragments of guilt, pity, despair, and terror, as the old man finds that he must once again face a Stalingrad moment .