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## **James, P.D. Death Comes to Pemberley.**

P.D. James takes on life after *Pride and Prejudice* in her newest book, delighting mystery and Jane Austen fans alike. On the eve of Pemberley's annual Lady Anne's Ball, six years after their marriage, Mr. and Mrs. Darcy's household is brutally disrupted by a hysterical uninvited guest, Lizzie's sister, Lydia. She claims that her husband, Lt. George Wickham has been murdered by his friend Capt. Martin Denny in the woods. But upon investigation, it seems that the opposite is true and the inhabitants of Pemberley must cancel the ball and mount a murder investigation in its stead.

Infused with Lizzie's signature wit, the plot explores the secrets, pasts and hidden agendas of the characters. And it's no surprise that Mr. and Mrs. Darcy are fantastic sleuths. James does a wonderful job capturing Austen's style while also adding a little life to the familiar; a winning take on the classic.

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