

# MEET THE CAST OF

# THE One Safe Place



## DEVIN

Devin sees the world in a rare way. He has a condition that causes his senses to overlap, so that he sees numbers in color, tastes physical sensations, and more. But he doesn't know he's different from other people, because he's never left his small farm. When he meets the ruthless environment of the city, his ignorance quickly gets him into trouble. But his innocence is also one of his strengths. Devin has a simple faith in people that allows him to recognize the hidden goodness in others. Despite all the ordeals he has to endure, he never loses his belief in himself and his friends, or his dream that one day he'll find his way home.

## KIT

Abandoned by her parents, Kit has never known what it's like to feel safe. She survives on her wits and her talent for stealing. Kit collects all kinds of things, from shiny computer disc fragments to dollhouse furniture. Her collections help make her feel secure. But she's not as tough as she seems. When it comes time to choose between her ambition and her friends, only Devin knows where Kit's loyalties really lie.

## MALLOY

Malloy's greatest talent is his skill as a pig whisperer. The rest of the time he's making up nicknames, trying to see how many eggs he can cram into his mouth, and generally acting the fool. Although he can be annoying at times, the kids can always rely on Malloy to make them laugh and lift their spirits.



## LUKE

Growing up in privilege with con artists as parents has made Luke cynical and often arrogant. But behind the facade, he's a caring, loyal friend. Life at the Gabriel H. Penn Home for Childhood has reduced him to a jittery bundle of nerves. By the time Devin meets him, Luke is close to his breaking point. Up until now, his genius IQ has saved him from complete collapse, but nobody knows if—or when—Luke will crack.

## GABRIEL H. PENN

Although he founded the Home for Childhood, Penn himself has never visited the place, and his true identity remains a mystery. Is he a harmless, reclusive genius or something far more sinister? Devin must endure a terrifying ordeal before he discovers the answer.

## THE ADMINISTRATOR

The Administrator rules the Home with an iron fist from her office at the top of the tower. A ruthless perfectionist, she demands obedience from everyone: her spineless assistant, Mrs. Babbage; her wretched parrot, Darwin; and especially the children themselves. Terrible punishments await those who disappoint her.

