



Eight Keys

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Elise is having a very difficult time adjusting to middle school. Her locker partner is the meanest girl she has come across and makes it her mission to crush Elise's lunch every day. Her best friend, Franklin, embarrasses her on the first day of school by talking about their pretend game of Knights that they

play – something the other kids don't quickly forget. She can never seem to get all, or any, of her homework done and handed in. And to top it off, her Aunt and cousin move in to live with them. Then, one day, she discovers a key in her Uncle Hugh's workshop with her name on it. The key open a secret room that has been locked for years – a room left to her by her late father. This first key sets in motion a journey of discovery and adventure for Elise. She eventually finds and unlocks eight rooms in the old barn. With each key comes new insights into herself and her family, insight into what is really important in life.