

Pre-reading Guide for Mystery Tourism Novel *Missing in Mexico* by Stuart Gustafson

1. While you will probably get more from the book than just an exciting mystery story, keep in mind that it is primarily that – a fictitious mystery story that you should read with that level of anticipation.
2. Be prepared to learn some Spanish along the way. I have found that my travels around the globe have been enhanced when I am able to converse a little with the locals in their own language. They typically know English fairly well, at least in the primary tourist spots, and they're aware that I'm not fluent in their language. But it never hurts to try to speak a little of their language; it can open many doors and hearts, and bring a smile to their faces!
3. Read this book when you have ample time to read – not just 10 minutes while you're waiting at the doctor's office. This will allow you to become a part of the story rather than just an outside observer.
4. Set aside any pre-conceived notions you might have about college students on vacation in Mexico or the people who live in Mexico.

NOTE: If you would like the author, Stuart Gustafson, to phone in or be online via Skype when your group or club discusses *Missing in Mexico*, please email him at [stuart@stuartgustafson.com](mailto:stuart@stuartgustafson.com) to arrange a time.