While playing golf, Bobby Jones and Dr. Thomas discover a dying man at the base of the cliff. The man manages to get out the words "Why didn't they ask Evans?" before he dies. Bobby is in a hurry to keep an appointment, so he asks a passerby to stay with the body. Just days later, he meets up with childhood friend Lady Frances ("Frankie") Derwent. A few days after the inquest, Bobby is drugged when someone slips morphine into his beer. Remembering things now that don't seem to match up about the death, Bobby decides to investigate the matter further and Frankie immediately agrees to help. The two of them are soon hard at work to discover the murderer of the dead man, and they soon must also protect themselves as they find their own lives in danger. Actress Emilia Fox reads this vintage Christie mystery with dramatic panache.

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Customer Reviews

Though I must say I like and enjoy reading about the stories of Hercule Poirot, probably Agatha Christie's most famous character, I really loved reading about Bobby and Frankie. I read this recently for the first time and now find it one of my favorite Christie stories!When Bobby Jones discovers the body of a man at the bottom of a cliff, he never dreams how much adventure and danger he will find himself in. For before the man takes his last breathe, he says his last words, "Why didn't they ask Evans?" From then on, Bobby Jones is in terrible danger as more and more strange accidents occur. With the help of a childhood friend, the Lady France Derwent (called Frankie by her friends), they try to uncover the secret and mystery behind the death of the man. But throughout their investigation, they keep coming back to the mysterious question, "Why didn't they
ask Evans?"...Poirot's stories have this general type of flow to it, where you tend to have to use your head more to think out the mystery with the famous 'system of order and method'. The ending will take you completely by surprise and everything comes to place when Poirot 'presents the facts'. In the case of this book, Bobby and Frankie do an large amount of moving about, having adventures one after another, and going undercover. The reader also gets to feel more like he (or she) is participating more since Bobby and Frankie always meet and discuss everything together. Somehow, "Why Didn't They Ask Evans?" I actually enjoyed myself a lot in the way Christie changed her style a bit to make it more fun. But I must warn you, there's plenty of surprises throughout the way! The characters of Bobby and Frankie are also incredibly likable.

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