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Too old for Donald J. Sobel's young gumshoe, too young for Tom Clancy's thrillers? Try Ridley Pearson's **"Steel Trapp: The Challenge"** (Hyperion Books for Children, ages 10 and up). It hits the ground running with a tense, cross-country train ride to the National Science Challenge, where Steven

"Steel" Trapp — so nicknamed for his photographic memory — sees something he shouldn't have: a photo of a kidnapped woman tied to a chair.

Teaming with a fellow science nerd (and runaway), it takes all of Steel's smarts to crack the case — all while being chased by federal agents and a mysterious man named Grym. Even Encyclopedia would have a hard time keeping up with all the plot twists and turns.

