

## **Ahsoka**

**Reviewed by a 6<sup>th</sup> grader**

In the story Ahsoka, Ahsoka tries to find Anakin to finish her training to become a jedi. She felt something in her, Remembering all the training she already completed. She remembered every combat lesson and got taught how to stand to hold the blades.

In my opinion, this book has a great story line. Each chapter led into the next and I had to keep reading. This book hooked me with the adventure of Ahsoka. I felt like I could see Ahsoka traveling around the Star Wars universe. I can't wait to read the next adventure that Ahsoka has.

## **Fake**

**Reviewed by a 6<sup>th</sup> grader**

The book fake is something that is helping us realize what could be going in behind screens. We have always been told "don't talk to strangers" and that's honestly something to live by. People play games like roblox, fortnite, and other online games so you have people you don't know. Someone could easily pretend to be a 13 year old, but could be much older. Not everyone is able to be warned about this so they think it's okay.

I love this book so much because you have a point of view on what people can be doing behind screens. There's messages and ways to be a part of the book like in real life. Many people have been in this situation not having a clue about it. These are so scary to be in and this book is teaching you what could happen. Not everyone understands this topic but as the internet gets bigger so will this problem. This book has a story that many people have been through, and it teaches others.

## **Ghost**

**Reviewed by a 6<sup>th</sup> grader**

Ghost (also known as Castle Cranshaw) has been running ever since he can remember, but not for a team. Ghost runs for himself, and himself only. Ghost is a kid with an irregular past. One day, the coach of a track team, a really good one, caught Ghost running. The coach was blown away by his talent. Ghost has got to be careful though, or else his past might catch up to his present.

This is a fast speed series so you got to keep up. The story line can interest any age group. It is like a 280 page hook, there are no boring spots. When you are reading, you can feel the emotion emitting from the characters, and the way the characters bond is amazing. This book had me nonstop reading and I can't wait to see how Ghost and his teammates bond over time

## **The Girl in the White Van**

**Reviewed by a 6<sup>th</sup> grader**

Savannah is a young girl who was just living a normal life with her mom and step-dad. One day on her way home from kung fu class, Savannah was kidnapped and dragged into a white van. Desperately trying to escape and find out who this person was. Savannah was scared and alone, or so she thought.

This book was an amazing read. The emotion throughout the whole story makes it feel like you're in Savannah's situation. As soon as I started reading, I fell right into the book and couldn't stop reading. The author is really good at portraying the characters emotions and making the story feel real. I also really loved how each page got more interesting every time. I think this book would be a really good read for anyone trying to find a book that has a little bit of mystery and suspense, overall it is an amazing book.

## **A Good Kind of Trouble**

**Reviewed by a 6<sup>th</sup> grader**

*A Good Kind of Trouble*, by **Lissa Moore Ramée** is about a colored girl named Shayla, who's "allergic" to trouble. Shayla is in 7th grade, middle school. During science class, they're doing a project. She got teamed up with Bernard, the opposite of perfect. Besides that, her best friend Julia is hanging out with girls like Stacy. Shayla's life is going downhill. The next day she and her dad go to the store to buy clothes.

This book is my 2nd favorite book (Behind *From the Desk of Zoe Washington*). I love the settings, it's like a predictable, but unpredictable book that you would enjoy reading. This is my opinion because It's just like the life of a middle schooler. It relates to me in some sort of way that just calls out to me. Plus, there was an occasion that happened in the book, and happened a few months ago.

## **Inkheart**

**Reviewed by a 6<sup>th</sup> grader**

Do you like action? Do you like fantasy? Do you like to be on the edge of your seat? Yes? Well then Inkheart is the book for you. It's about a father, Mo, who has a special power and a love for books. In an attempt to save his wife he has to risk his life. He has lots of strange friends with weird names such as Dustfinger with weird pets and letters that seem to be from a book all over them.

Inkheart is my favorite book I've ever read because it's fantasy but without all the lovey dovey stuff. If you love to read I would definitely recommend Inkheart because most of the book is about books. Maggie (Mo's daughter) is very interested in what her dad is doing because he is always traveling with her but she never knows why. She also wants to know what happened to her mother and why Mo never reads aloud to her if he loves books so much. My favorite part of this book is the ending because I never expected it. Another good thing about this book is that when you're done you get to watch the movie! There are two other books that go along with this one but I haven't read them yet.

## **Jinxed**

**Reviewed by a 6<sup>th</sup> grader**

In a world where a company called Moncay corp invented robot animals and called them Baku, an engineering girl named Lacey Chu found a baku cat called jinx that has holes and twigs in it. Lacey got accepted into her dream school but needed a baku so she decided to fix jinx. It looks at her all summer to fix jinx up. When jinx was fixed and moving she had a mind of her

own and Lacey can hear Jinx but, Jinx barely does what Lacey tells her to do. So now Lacey has to keep it a secret from the whole school that jinx is a special baku that she can't control jinx at all. But, there might be something else going on with Moncay corp that Lace and Jinx will need to find out.

The book had an amazing storyline. I loved how the characters and their relationships with each other grew. They work together to solve any problem they have. Every scene and page of the book made me want to read more and more. I became attached to the characters and felt like I was there with them. I loved the mystery element the book had. The cliffhanger at the end made me excited to read the second book in the series.

## **Keeping Safe the Stars**

**Reviewed by a 6<sup>th</sup> grader**

In the book Keeping Safe the Stars, something has gone wrong and it needs to be fixed. At least it's what three kids, Pride, Nightingale, and Baby, are thinking of it as. The three are scared of being orphans, since the only guardian left in their family is their grandfather. Sadly, their grandfather is terribly sick and needs to recover at the hospital. Although, recovering from his sickness includes brain damage. Pride, Nightingale, and Baby are trying their best to have patience and help him get better, even though being patient isn't going the best.

While reading this book, I wanted to find out what would happen to all the characters in the book. I wanted to see what they would do next. In my opinion this is a really good book. Each chapter is explained well. I think what goes on in the book makes it more interesting. This book deserves around a 9/10.

## **The Land of Stories**

**Reviewed by a 6<sup>th</sup> grader**

The land of stories series tells the tale of the magical twins Alex and Conner Bailey. Throughout the story Alex and Conner are saving the "Land of Stories." The Land of Stories is a place of many popular fairy tales. For example there is Red Riding Hood, Little Bo Peep, and all of the Disney princesses. In the books there is a new "villain". Sometimes it is a well known villain, like the Evil Queen or it can be a completely made up villain you have never heard of. Before Alex and Conner found out they were magic, they lived a completely normal life. Alex was a quiet and shy girl who always paid attention in school. But her brother, Conner was the complete opposite! He was always goofing around in class and even falling asleep mid lesson.

I would definitely recommend this series to the age group from about 11 - 15. The book is really entertaining and can get you hooked easily! Personally for me I found this book from my sister who also loved it! A bunch of her friends did too, and since she is older than me it shows it is good for most ages. The reason why I enjoy this series so much is because it is so entertaining! Sometimes I would not feel like reading and then once I read a few pages, I felt like I could read for an hour!

Overall I would rate this series 10/10.

## **Last Shot: The Final Four Mystery**

**Reviewed by a 6<sup>th</sup> grader**

In the novel *Last Shot: The Final Four Mystery*, Stevie gets an exciting letter USBWA. Looks like he's going to the Final Four in New Orleans. Stevie knew this would be an experience he'd never forget. He was right, but for the wrong reasons. Stevie would have to uncover the biggest mystery of his life.

In my opinion, this book was one of the most intriguing stories I've ever read. The secrets uncovered are jaw-dropping, with basketball mixed into it. Really anybody could enjoy this book, especially sports fans and mystery fans. This book makes you want to keep on reading because of the great cliffhangers at the end of the chapters. It's so easy to picture everything going on, it's like a movie in my mind. I have to find out about Steve's next mystery.

## **A Long Walk To Water**

**Reviewed by a 6<sup>th</sup> grader**

In the story *A Long Walk to Water*, the author tells the stories of Salva and Nya and their struggles for survival. Salva is a young boy who flees his home in Sudan to escape being killed by soldiers and becomes a Lost Boy. He grows up dodging dangers such as starvation, dehydration, disease and soldiers. Nya is a young girl who has to walk hours every day in scorching heat to get water for her family, and therefore can't go to school or do much else. Salva and Nya both persevere through their challenges, each in their own way, and find their happy endings.

In my opinion, *A Long Walk To Water* is an excellent book. Every chapter I finished made me want to find out what happened next, especially in the case of cliffhangers. The book told an amazing story but also brought awareness to the difficulties of living a life similar to Nya and Salva. Although the characters were fake, the problems the characters faced were very real. When reading a chapter where Salva or Nya went through something especially difficult, I wanted to communicate to them, to tell them what they should and shouldn't do. The final chapters were fulfilling and the story ended on a huge plot twist.

## **Mr . Lemoncello's Great Library Race**

**Reviewed by a 6<sup>th</sup> grader**

In *Mr . Lemoncello's Great Library Race* teams of two have to do research on famous people, the winning team will win *Mr . Lemoncello's* new holograph game. *Mr . Lemoncello* has always had the *Krinkle Brothers* as enemies. They both try to make games better than each other. Read the book to find out what happens.

I love this book because it has many puzzles that you can solve through the book. I like imagining what the library looks like with holograms everywhere. The book has so many mysteries. My favorite characters are Kyle or *Mr . Lemoncello*. *Mr . Lemoncello* has banana shoes and when he walks they play a song. Kyle is good at solving puzzles and mysteries.

## **Red Kayak**

**Reviewed by a 6<sup>th</sup> grader**

In the book *Red Kayak*, Brady Parks is a thirteen-year-old boy in Maryland. When a new family called the DiAngelos move in, Brady's friend Digger becomes upset because they bought his grandparent's property and built their new home on it. Brady creates a plan to sink their kayak into the water by drilling a hole and covering it with glue. Brady, Digger, and their friend JT see the DiAngelos riding the kayak down the river during bad weather but decide not to tell them. The kayak flips over, leading to the death of the DiAngelos' child.

In my opinion, this book is very hard to put down. The story is so gripping and you want to learn more about the characters. I could vividly imagine the characters on the river and going to school. The book has an amazing story and fantastic writing. I couldn't stop going from page to page, chapter to chapter.

## **Restart**

**Reviewed by a 6<sup>th</sup> grader**

Gordon Korman's book *Restart* is about a boy named Chase. The book starts off with Chase waking up in the hospital to bright lights. He looks around but is not sure where he is. Chase also starts to realize he cannot remember anything. He doesn't remember his mom or how he hurt himself, he doesn't even remember his own face. Chase finds out he ended up in the hospital because he fell off a roof! How is it possible to forget something like that! Now Chase has to try to figure out how this happened and who he is. He'll have to return to school and figure out why so many of the kids have different reactions to him. Some kids worship the ground he walks on others are afraid one of the girls is just plain angry at him. Chase will have to learn where to go from here. I would recommend this book. It is an awesome read! It's very interesting how Chase has to learn everything over again and how he changed as a person throughout the book.

## **Scythe**

**Reviewed by a 6<sup>th</sup> grader**

*Scythe* takes place in a world with no disease, no war, no misery, and even no death. Humans managed to conquer all of those things with the help of their leader, The Thunderhead. Since there is no natural death, the only way people can die is by being gleaned. The responsibility of gleaned is left to Scythes, and the two main characters, Citra and Rowan, are taken as apprentices to Honorable Scythe Faraday. The two of them must master taking life, knowing that if they fail, they could lose their own.

I think this is a really good book. Each time I read it left me with so many questions, I would either have to keep reading or those questions would stay in my head. It was full of detail and I was able to picture everything that happened in my head. This book is perfect for people who like adventure and action. I think it is very cool to see how this book is written in a setting that humanity has never seen before, a setting we can only imagine. It also compares utopian and dystopian communities. I would give this book a 11/10.

## **Sure Signs of Crazy**

**Reviewed by a 6<sup>th</sup> grader**

In the book *Sure Signs of Crazy*, Sarah Nelson seems to most people like a normal almost 7th grader, but she has a huge secret. She used to have a twin brother. Sarah's secret is that her mother is crazy and drowned Sarah's brother and tried to drown Sarah too. They had to move many times due to people finding out who Sarah and her dad were.

I really liked this book, It offers a different perspective that usually isn't shown. When I was reading this book, I couldn't put it down. The book never failed to be interesting too. There was always something going on in Sarah's life. I really enjoyed finding out more about Sarah's back story as you read it.

## **A Tale of Magic**

**Reviewed by a 6<sup>th</sup> grader**

Brystal Evergreen is born in a world that gives her almost no rights. One day she gets caught... She finds herself in a terrible camp where wrong beliefs rule. But it doesn't end there. Madame Weatherberry saves her right in the nick of time. If it's possible for Madame Weatherberry to give Brystal a new life, that's exactly what she did.

This book has taken me and pulled me into the book with Brystal. Believe it or not, I got so caught up with this book I can't hear anything someone says to me. I'm in the world of the story. This is a book I'll never forget. It has touched my heart and it was definitely an adventure for me. All emotions, joy, sadness, fear, they pour into this wonderful book. I completely love this book and give it a 10/10.

## **The Thing About Jellyfish**

**Reviewed by a 6<sup>th</sup> grader**

In the book *The Thing About Jellyfish*, There is a girl named Suzy Swanson who has a best friend named Franny Jackson. They both are middle school friends who like an ocean animal which is a jellyfish. Suzy had to travel around the globe which meant she had to leave her best friend until she finds out how her friend's life can be cut short.

In my opinion this is a sad and adventurous story. In each chapter you are able to learn something new about jellyfish. There are so many adventures that they are so interesting. I love all the details that this story has because it makes me feel like I'm in the story. This book made me happy even though there are a few sad parts in it, But I can't wait to read the rest of the book.

## **Warriors: Into the Wild**

**Reviewed by a 6<sup>th</sup> grader**

In the story *Into the Wild*, former kittypet Firepaw begins his journey of the wild in one of the wild cat Clans. Throughout the story, Firepaw experiences many adventures. Trouble with the most evil Clan leader ever, unraveling truth, and even a warrior who cannot be trusted. Firepaw must face great challenges and even breaking the Warrior Code for what he believes is right.

In my opinion, this book is full of mystery. It is a nail-biter and a page turner. The book always makes you want to know what happens next, and I couldn't seem to stop reading the

book! Sometimes it made me so nervous because I thought it was the end, but I was relieved when everyone was okay. I was cheering for Firepaw inside my head but was devastated at every death. The story provides so much detail I could almost see every inch of the forest. In fact, I am still on the hunt for the last 4 series!