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The Viking's Apprentice



Synopsis

What would you do if you discovered nothing was as you thought, and the fate of your friends, perhaps even the world was in your hands? That's the reality Peter must face in this award-winning middle Grade novel, *The Viking's Apprentice*. Campbell Cove is a small town surrounded in mystery and intrigue. The history of the Cove tells us of dragons, trolls, goblins and the evil Master who stole children, livestock and, strangest of all, eggs from the Cove every year. Aided by the hideous monster, Tolldruck there seemed no stopping their evil plan. That was until, centuries ago, a Viking warrior came to Campbell Cove and vowed to rid it of all evil, and claim the prize offered by the mysterious church elders. The Viking succeeded and everything returned to normal. The evil was gone, and Campbell Cove was safe again. Until now. Voted #1 'Smart Novels to Read Your Kids' When Peter and George visit Peter's Granddad's amazing mansion in Campbell Cove for the summer holidays they had no idea it would change their lives forever. Deep beneath them in the caves of the Cove an evil has returned, an evil which threatens to destroy everything they believed to be true about the world. Peter must learn who he really is, and what he must do to save the children of the Cove. Together with George and his Granddad they go on a journey that reveals secrets, test friendships and confronts their biggest fears. Can Peter save the children? Can the Master be stopped? Find out in *The Viking's Apprentice*. For the rest of The Viking's Apprentice series, and to join in on the journey, be sure to visit: KevinMcLeodAuthor.com

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Customer Reviews

The Viking's Apprentice ... creates a fascinating world and a mythology that comes alive with impressive storytelling. If epic battles between good and evil get your blood flowing, then The Viking's Apprentice is for you. Statues and paintings coming alive to join battles, talking bears, fire-breathing dragons, ogres, witches, magic and, of course, vikings. The Viking's Apprentice brings readers into the emotional journey as one character fulfills his purpose and another discovers his destiny in much different than he expected. Jeff Gunhus, author of Jack Templar Monster Hunter JeffGunhus.com

Kevin McLeod lives in Hamilton, Scotland with his wife Kathleen and their two daughters. He was born in Scotland and has lived there all his life. Raised in Dunblane, he has one brother, Paul, who is also the artist on The Viking's Apprentice. The Viking's Apprentice is Kevin's first book although he has written many short stories. Kevin is currently writing book two in the Viking Series and this will be available on , more details to follow.

This is a great story that can be enjoyed by all ages. Peter Collins is out of school and he and his best friend George Taylor are headed to Campbell's cove where Peter's granddad is having the boys spend the summer. When they arrive they find the mansion where granddad lives and then they find a supernatural adventure and a journey that brings past history into the present with some amazing surprises. The author does a wonderful job creating a story that is compelling and fun and a great adventure for all. The writing is well done and the author knows what readers like and delivers.

This book was really quite good. A young man visits his grandfather for the summer, he finds out some very interesting stuff about good ole grand dad, really interesting things. He makes some new friends, meets a cute girl and learns a lot about his family history. Looking forward to book two.

In a children's book, it is very important to get the right tone. If badly done, the story-teller within the story comes across as annoying, or worse, boring. Here, we are spellbound by the simple, yet equally deep and complex stories told by "Granddad" who is also one of the main characters in this book. The beginning is perfect. Not much happens, but it is so innocently told that we love reading about how the adventure started. This author has wisely found depth in quiet, simple scenes and does not resort to the desperation of cramming in action at the beginning like so many novice

authors. The setting is perfect as well. We can visualize the small town by the ocean and Granddad's sprawling mansion with all its mysteries. The mass battle scenes are okay. They seemed to ramble on and you get the impression that they could go either way, and just because the protagonists are good guys, they are allowed to win. If the mass battles were as well done as the rest of this story, I would assign the whole book five stars. This book is to be very highly commended for its "tone." It sounds very authoritative in the sense we want to listen, we don't want to stop hearing it, because it is so interesting. We want to be patient (and our patience is amply rewarded) because we realize there's no other way we want to spend our time. As well, the children's book perspective is nailed down, and that's very important. I can see why the author said that teachers in his home country are using this book in their classrooms. Thank you, Mr. McLeod.

The author did a good job at describing the characters. He didn't go into a serious detailed analysis of the characters which I liked because it takes too much out of the story it allows you to find out more in the story not give it to you and make the story boring. The author made you have to think more on the subject. He also didn't have any foul language or inappropriate things through the book. The author kept you interested and he also made it piece together and flow very nicely.

More on the juvenile side but very enjoyable. I think the battles could have had more detail and the plot needed more fleshing out. But quite fun

Very well written with characters that come alive. Intriguing adventure that young people will enjoy reading and use their imagination.

A very interesting story, with great characters that really holds the attention from the start. Really enjoyed reading this story. Looking forward to the next book

I gave five stars because I enjoyed this story so much.. I am a fifty something teenager. I have just started reading again and this is the kind of book I wish we would have had when I was a young man.. Can't wait to read part two. If I can figure out how to download it.. Hahaha..

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