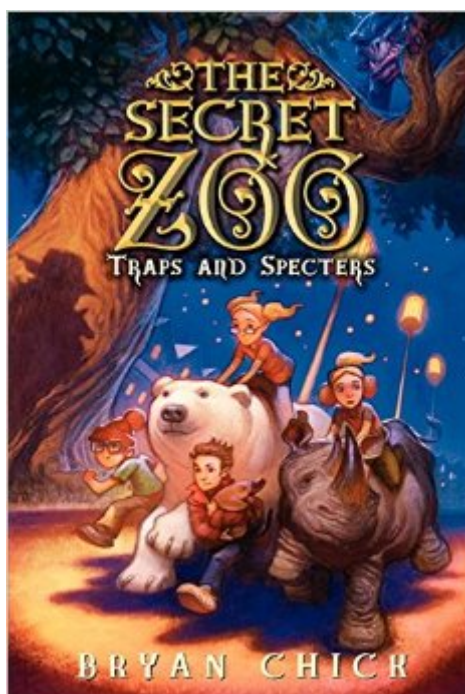


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The Secret Zoo: Traps And Specters



Synopsis

The fourth book in the action-packed and highly imaginative The Secret Zoo series, about a group of middle school friends who discover a hidden zoo in their very own neighborhood! The zoo's archenemy, the evil DeGraff, is closing in for the first time since he was driven out of the Secret Zoo. On Halloween night, Noah and his friends must battle terrifying sasquatches that have attacked their own elementary school. Little do they know the sasquatches are a trap! When DeGraff captures three of Noah's friends, can the kids ally with their rivals in order to save every person and animal in the zoo "all while dodging the town's police? An entertaining and fast-moving series that's perfect for reluctant readers and will appeal to fans of Dan Gutman, Michael Buckley, and Andrew Clements. School Library Journal said, "Fans of fantasy, animal fiction, and adventure will enjoy this fast-moving story."

Book Information

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Age Range: 8 - 12 years

Grade Level: 3 - 7

Customer Reviews

I have read all these books with my son in the last year. He was really excited to read this new one--we had it on pre-order for months. It started off ok, and we were getting into it, but then the middle was really drawn out way too long, a little dull actually, and then finally became too scary, with the violence. I almost could not finish the book, and then had to truncate the story to leave out

the scary/violent parts in the last few chapters so we could reach the end. Then, at the end we were left completely hanging. I understand in adult books, sometimes this is a good thing, but leaving it so open-ended, with no apparent good feeling or resolution, for us, this was a bummer. We will read the next, but hope that the story improves and relies less on violence and more on better story.

I have been reading this series of books with my 8 year old daughters. They read a chapter and then I read the last chapter before we retire. There are really scary moments and laugh out loud moments. We are on the third book of the series right now and have enjoyed every minute.

If you liked the others you will like this one too. The action never stops. The adventure continues. I don't want to give away any details and ruin it for those who haven't read it. I enjoy reading series, found this one by accident and really like it - the characters, the animals, the storyline. I like it all.

My daughter poured through the first three books and was eagerly awaiting the fourth. She got about 3/4 of the way through the book and got really scared and now she won't pick it up. I tried to read it with her, but she is just too scared. I am so disappointed in the way this one ends... and the level of intensity with the violence. It may not seem like much to an adult, but to a little girl that was passionate about these books it is a disappointment that she is too afraid to finish it.

I have grown to really love this series. I read to my 9 year old son everyday and I work hard to find books that we can both enjoy. I am really looking forward to the next book in this series which will be coming out summer 2013. Great characters (no snotty, vulgar or mean characters), lots of excitement (but not too complicated or scary). Good series like these are VERY HARD to find!

All of the Secret Zoo books have been absolutely enjoyable. Traps and Specters is no exception. A fun read that leads one down a very imaginative path where you can lose yourself in the zoo and the characters.

The young reader did not want the story to end. She has read all three books and is hooked. Now she is awaiting the 4th book. This book is for an older reader, ages 9-12. It is fast pace, adventure book.

I love the Secret Zoo Series. I bought them for my 11 year old nephew for his birthday. He read the

first one and really liked it; because I love to discuss books with him he loaned it to me. The stories are so fun and adventurous, with just the right amount of suspense. I love that I can share in a book that my nephew is reading and really enjoy the book a lot, and the camaraderie with my nephew. Totally recommend this series to any parent who has a child that loves to read.

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