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Kingdom Keepers: The Return Book Two Legacy Of Secrets



Synopsis

Disneyland, Opening Day, 1955. When five present-day teenagers known as the Kingdom Keepers find themselves thrown into a past that would make anyone envious, things don't exactly work out the way they'd hoped. Finn, Charlene, Maybeck, Willa, and Philby open a door into a place and a time when the legend of the Disney parks is just starting. They are there, in 1955, to retrieve Walt Disney's infamous pen that once saved the parks as we know them. But like all things Disney, nothing is as it seems. The early days of the Tower of Terror, the origin of the Overtakers (Disney villains), and the real power of magic unfold in an unexpected series of events that propel both the Keepers and Disney itself into a darkness no one saw coming. Along the way, the Keepers visit Walt Disney's hilltop home, Disneyland's opening day and reception, and find themselves separated from friends sixty years away. The three Fairlies, young women in Disney's School of Imagineering, girls with astonishing powers of their own, have unmasked a long-buried secret that threatens the lives of their friends as well as everything Walt Disney worked for.

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Customer Reviews

Ridley Pearson is the award-winning author of the best-selling Kingdom Keepers series along with forty other novels for adults (suspense) and young readers (adventure) including cowriting Peter

and the Starcatchers. Ridley spends a good deal of his time sneaking around the Disney parks and aboard the Disney Cruise Line ships all in the name of research.

Finn, Charlene, Maybeck, Willa, and Philby have traveled back in time and find themselves at Disneyland on Opening Day. As usual, though things don't go exactly as planned. They have come to retrieve Walt Disney's infamous pen that once saved the parks as we know them. They get to see the early days of the Tower of Terror, the origin of the Disney villains, the Overtakers, and magic that makes a series of events that propel both the Keepers and Disney into a darkness no one saw coming. They get a chance to do what few now-a-days have only dreamed of, see the home of Walt Disney and try and save the parks, something they are getting used to. In the present time, the three Fairies, Amanda, Jess, and Mattie, are doing everything they can to help their friends while dealing with problems of their own. They have unmasked a long-buried secret that threatens everything they have all worked for.

I don't know anyone who doesn't like Disney. There is something incredibly magical about everything Disney. It doesn't matter if you are a kid or adult, Disney is magic. Ridley Pearson has brought that magic to readers once again with the continuation of the Kingdom Keepers. I have read all the Kingdom Keeper novels and have yet to get tired of these stories. Pearson has woven an intricate set of characters together with an amazing adventure that readers can't help but devour. This is perfect for middle school kids and up to enjoy reading on their own or even for a fun family read. The adventures these kids get to go on is one so many would love to be a part of and can be by reading the stories. Each story is a continuation of the next and I wouldn't advise trying to jump into the series part way through; instead, start at the beginning and follow the keepers on each journey. I liked the addition of the new characters, Nick, and Emily to help the Keepers in their journey, it kind of makes the ordinary reader feel like they can be a part of the magic. I can highly recommend this book and the entire series for all to enjoy.

As always, another very well written novel by Ridley. That being said, I found the original series far more enjoyable than this new "Return" series. The time travel aspect feels a bit gimmicky and I didn't feel as drawn in to the story as I have been with previous releases. Will continue as a loyal reader and am looking forward to the resolution of this new storyline.

Some interesting surprises but also a few comebacks that I didn't care for. Also, the whole book

seems to take place over only a couple of days time, which makes it seem slow moving. Like always, ended on a cliffhanger.

I'm still in the books I know my friends and 2 daughters love it . The series been pass around among them they all love the stories.

Disneyland seems to hit the mark on all they do.

Ridley does an amazing job at keeping his readers on the edge of their seats. I am a huge Disney fan and annual pass holder. My sister and I have read all of the kingdom keeper books. His love if the Disney parks is reflected throughout this book and all the other's I've read. He's an awesome writer.

I love this continuation of the Kingdom Keepers. It was very interesting how the history of Disney is woven into the fiction

collect all the kingdom keeper paperbacks.

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