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The Spider Siege (Battle Bugs #2)



Synopsis

Never leave a bug behind-- collect all the Battle Bugs books! Back to Bug Island! General Komodo and his army are on the attack. Komodo has assembled a fleet of fearsome horned lizards for a mountain assault. The Battle Bugs have to come up with an airtight plan-or risk losing everything. Max's return to Bug Island is dangerous--but the Battle Bugs need his help !

Book Information

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Age Range: 7 - 10 years

Grade Level: 2 - 5

Customer Reviews

Jack Patton is an insect aficionado. He loves nothing more than observing creepy crawlies in his backyard. Jack lives in England with his wife, their two dogs, and a bustling ant farm.

Once again, Max Darwin comes to the aid of Barton, commander of the Battle Bugs, as they face the reptilian forces of General Komodo, a monitor lizard. Jack Patton's involvement with the inhabitants of Bug Island and their ongoing war with the Reptilian Empire. Since it combines bugs and armies in one story, this book may hold particular appeal for boys. Max Darwin loves bugs. His prized possession "The Complete Encyclopedia of

Arthropods. Max's magical properties allow the magnifying glass it contains transport Max to Bug Island. Although Max had been unable to return to Bug Island, while looking up a spider he spotted during a camping trip with his parents he feels the preliminary tingling that means he is about to be transported. Back on Bug Island, Max encounters a menacing snake, hidden in the trees, that attacks him. Saved by the Battle Bugs, Max goes to their camp where he learns reptiles are mysteriously appearing on Bug Island. The Battle Bugs need Max's assistance in learning how the reptiles are entering their Island and in defeating them in battle.

"Battle Bugs: The Spider Siege" has well developed characters, likeable bugs and villainous reptiles. Imbuing the bugs with human personalities, yet allowing them to remain "buggy" results in some humorous situations and conversations. Clever wordplay, for instance the chameleon spies named "Cloak and Dagger", provides additional amusement. The battle scenes are exciting and suspenseful and young readers and listeners immerse themselves in the action on Bug Island. Jack Patton slips interesting, educational facts and observations into the text so subtly that they become part of the story and a reader learns something without knowing their knowledge is increasing. The vocabulary used in "Battle Bugs: The Spider Siege" is not simplistic and is another educational facet of the book. Illustrations increase this book's appeal for younger readers and for youngsters to whom you may be reading. My grandson loves the Battle Bugs and I am sure he will find "Battle Bugs: The Spider Siege" as engaging as the first Battle Bugs book. Grandma has pre-ordered both other books in the series "The Poison Frog Assault" and "The Chameleon Attack" and since no one can have too many books.

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My 8 year old loves this series. The writing does a good job of expanding his vocabulary along with capturing his imagination and interest. I also enjoy hearing the stories as he reads them. Looking forward to more of Max's adventures.

My son wanted the entire series for his bday. I have skimmed the book and he is glued and says that they are very adventurous. Gets his imagination going!

Second installment had my son asking to do his reading homework. My 7 year old son LOVES this series. He hated reading until we found Battle Bugs, now he wants to read all the time!

My 2nd grade son enjoys these and reads them in about an hour. Not going to be a classes, but the books are fun for him. Exactly what I want for learning to enjoy reading for my kids!

It's a fun book this is coming from a kid but I like reading it it's fun adventures and more

He is 6 and we read it chapter wise at night. He can't wait until the next book arrives.

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