

The BFG

I recently read a book titled 'The BFG' written by Roald Dahl. The plot revolves around a little girl- Sophie, who is 'kidnapped' by the BFG (Big Friendly Giant) and taken to his house. They become friends and the BFG tells her all about the bigger giants, how they eat humans etc. Later, they find out about dreams and how dreams can be used to manipulate any living creature. They use dreams to influence the Queen of England, the Royal Air Force etc, and get ready to finish off all the giants by throwing them in a deep pit. Every time, the BFG effortlessly runs long distances in top gear, to travel. The story ends with all the giants getting trapped in a pit. I immensely enjoyed the parts where the giants play football with BFG, the part where the Fleshlumpeter tries to eat the air force people and the part where BFG blows bad dreams into the Fleshlumpeter. Roald Dahl manages to use unimaginably funny, rib-tickling names, adjectives and adverbs, making the book 'unputdownable'. I'd recommend this book to everyone. It fills you with fun and laughter. Happy reading!

Tejas, 5th Grade

HARRY POTTER

I like Harry Potter because it is full of wizardry and magic. This story is about an orphan, Harry Potter, who is taken care by his aunt and uncle who are mean to him. Then a wizard comes and takes him to a magical school and from that point the orphan's life changes. Harry Potter succeeds in taking revenge on the villain who murdered his parents. This book interests most of the children who read it. My favourite character is Sirius Black who was Harry's godfather and a very brilliant good man. He helps Harry in many things. The school Harry goes to is called "Hogwarts School of witchcraft and wizardry". I wish I could go to that school too!

NANCY DREW

I like reading adventure stories. Nancy Drew series is about 6 friends Nancy, George, Bess, Ned, Dave and Burt. In each story the friends solve mysteries. Their life is full of adventure. The stories are thrilling to read. My favourite character is Nancy. She is brave and adventurous. She helps people solve mysteries. My favourite book in the Nancy Drew series is the "The Hidden staircase"

Vasudha 5th grade

ANGELS AND DEMONS

ANGELS AND DEMONS by Dan Brown is one of my favourite books. As a thriller, this book is very interesting. I have read it 2-3 times and have also started reading Dan Brown's other novels. Here is the blurb from Angels and Demons: The world renowned Harvard Symbiologist Robert Langdon is summoned to a Swiss research facility to analyse a cryptic symbol seared into the chest of a murdered physicist. What he discovers is unimaginable: a deadly vendetta against the Catholic Church by centuries old underground organisation-the illuminate. Desperate to save the Vatican from a powerful time bomb, Langdon joins forces in Rome with the beautiful and mysterious scientist Vittoria Vetra. Together they embark on a frantic hunt...

Kamal R 10th grade

THE PHILOSOPHER'S STONE

My favorite book is 'Harry Potter and The Philosopher's Stone'. This is a story about a boy named Harry who lived with his uncle and aunt. They didn't like him at all. Then he gets to know he is a wizard, he comes to this place called Hogwarts where he learns magical spells like 'Expelliarmus'. I like this book because it is exciting and cool. The best part I like is when he goes for his first Quidditch match where he is a seeker. I would recommend everyone to read it.

Pranit Sanghi, 7th Grade

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"What we are & what we have been has no bearing on what we can be."

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THEA STILTON AND THE BLUE SCRAB HUNT!

I like reading the Stilton books. One that impressed me in particular is 'Thea Stilton and The Blue Sacarab Hunt'. It is an interesting read. I liked the action figures and how the characters are described. In fact, my friends and I used to name ourselves Violet, Paulina, Nicky, Colette and Pamela after the names of the characters in this book. Here is a blurb of the book: The Thea sisters have been invited to Egypt to participate in a fabulous archaeological excavation. They are helping to look for the legendary ancient treasure of the sun. A precious blue stone scarab may be the key to their search, and they work enthusiastically...But there are thieves after the treasure...Can the Thea sisters stop the thieves? Go ahead and read it, it is fun!

Ssesha, 7th Grade

CHARLIE AND THE CHOCOLATE FACTORY

"Mother" yelled Charlie, "Look I have got it! Look mother look! The last golden ticket! It's mine!" This was just the start. There was a chocolate river, "all-meal chewing gum" and other surprises waiting for him to keep forever. This could all be his, if he just passed the test. Charlie is my favourite. He is my favourite because he is kind. He shares even though he is poor and he adapts to how his family is. Charlie and the Chocolate factory is an exciting book. Be sure to have chocolates with you while you are reading - it makes you hungry. The author of Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, Roald Dahl has made the book very interesting and makes the readers creative. He has written many other good books like BFG, Witches, James and the Giant Peach and many more.

Ambika B, 6th grade

TINTIN SERIES

Tinin is a European comic written by Herge. It is a series of 28 comics. One book has been recently added. The first book, Alpha Art is not a comic. The author clearly explains the story in flawless English. Tintin is a character. He searches stories for the newspaper for which he writes. His friend is Captain Haddock. Just like his grandfather, he knows every bit of the ocean. Tintin's other friend is Professor Calculus. He can't hear well and blabbers constantly. Captain Haddock is a drunkard, which is one quality that Tintin doesn't like about him. There are twin police officers-Thompson & Thompson. They arrest the criminals at the end of the every story.

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Current issue >>> REVIEW OF MY FAVOURITE BOOK

LORD OF THE RINGS

I recently read this book (about 1 or 2 months ago). When I started the first chapter I felt like it looked like "Looks like another story of something called a hobbit". But after I read a few chapters, I became so interested that I read almost 5 to 6 chapters a day out of all the 72 chapters. It became more exciting as I flipped each page. I was a little excited on hearing the word 'Hobbits', then I became more interested in the word 'wizards', when it came to dwarves I felt little bit of funniness about them and their love for gold. When I read that men were imaginary people, I started wondering if men were even there at those times or if they happened long before the dinosaurs came. I completely forgot that this was a fictional story! When the story introduced the elves it got up to my 100% score and I ranked this my favourite book. I had read the famous Harry Potter series by J. K. Rowling some time before this. When they mentioned elves I thought of the 'house-elves' in the book that I previously read. But these elves were completely opposite: fair, tall, powerful, calm, wise and many more adjectives that I could use to tell you what I like about them. When I saw how J. R. R. Tolkien wrote the book I was amazed! So specified! Even though the book was so long, it never felt draggy or boring at all. The names were so imaginative! Once I had finished reading all the chapters, I started with the appendices. In such detail he had written the race of 'Numenor' and all the 'Dunedain'. The history of the great families of Durin the dwarf. I was even more fascinated with the elves' history. It went from Gil-Galad the Great, till the present elves. Not only were there elves but even half-elves. The appendices included writing, speaking and reading some languages like elvish, dwarven and more. I even learned the alphabets of the angmerthas and the 'Shire' calendar. The new animals and creatures amazed me! Even after I finished all the appendices I still felt I needed to read more, so I went to the index and tried to memorize and actually remembered most of the songs and which page they were on! I will never forget this story in my life!

Ananth P Ashok, 5th Grade

THE STILTONS

I like Geronimo Stilton books because, they are very interesting and funny. Most of my friends also have Geronimo Stilton books. There are 7 types. There are Geronimo Stilton Starter Books, Special Editions and Spacemice. Thea Stilton Starter, and Special Editions. These are all published by Geronimo Stilton. Everyone I know owns at least one of the Stilton books. In each book Geronimo the mouse faces a problem when he wants to go on a relaxing vacation. The family breaks his plan and make their own plan. Everyone in his family calls him 'Geronimoid' which he does not like at all. I like to read stories that make me laugh.

Aditya J, 5th Grade

INTO THE WORLD OF MAGIC...

'Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows' is a book, written by J.K. Rowling, which is set up in Hogwarts, a magical school, where students are no longer muggles (normal humans) but are witches and wizards. This is one of the sequels of the 'Harry Potter' series and is the last one. This is an amazing part and my most favourite of all, which shows the extreme of imagination and creativity of the writer. Following the death of Headmaster Dumbledore in the previous book "Harry Potter and the Half Blood Prince", Harry Potter faces challenges and difficulties all through his journey until this part. The three best friends, Harry, Hermione and Ron, as usual, join together to defeat the Dark lord, Voldemort. This story is all about the steps they take to accomplish the task. Will Harry die? Will any of his friends die? Read the book to know more. I personally loved the sarcasm used in some parts of the story. The ending was simple but great and the acting was brilliant. The book is a different world of imagination, which when you read, you would just be engrossed in and would not put it down until it is finished. A fascinating book with so many wonderful characters and an interesting story. My favourite characters in the whole series is Hermione Granger and Neville Longbottom. I would definitely recommend this book to readers older than 10 years of age. It is an all-time favourite.

Ananya R, 9th Grade

THE ADVENTURES OF TOM SAWYER

The Adventures of Tom Sawyer is a fiction written by Mark Twain. Tom is a boy who lives with his Aunt Polly and Cousin Sid. His full name is Thomas Sawyer. His friends are Joe Harper and Huckleberry Finn. Tom is a very naughty boy. I read this book in my summer holidays. I like this book because, I like mysteries and Tom and his friend solve mysteries in this story. It is a funny story which makes me laugh. Tom likes apples and likes to go swimming. Red Joe is a character who acts like a dumb beggar and gets money. He hides it. Tom and Huck find it and become rich. This is the best story which I have read.

Ganesh, 5th Grade

JAMES AND THE GIANT PEACH

A rhinoceros escapes from the zoo and eats James' parents. James is sent to his aunt. Sponge and Spiker are mean and poor James had to live with them until something peculiar happened. He saw that he was in the most wonderful and extraordinary journey he could have ever imagined. You must read the book to go on the journey with James. When I read the blurb it was interesting. I was convinced it would be an adventurous book. I love reading adventure stories. So I decided to read it and loved it. I recommend children below the age 12 to definitely read this book.

Madhumitha, 6th Grade