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Ivy-covered walls—they're the most famous part of the Chicago Cubs' historic ballpark, Wrigley Field. Mike and Kate can't wait to get down on the field to see the ivy for themselves. But when they do, they're horrified to discover patches of the ivy have been ripped away! Who would want to sabotage the stadium? Is it someone trying to curse the Cubs? Or is the rumor of a treasure hidden under the ivy tempting greedy fans? The Wrigley Riddle includes a fun fact page about Chicago's Wrigley Field.

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Travis says

Ballpark: Chicago Cubs

Mike and Kate visit storied Wrigley Field, only to discover someone is cutting away its historic ivy while looking for a mythical treasure. The usual red herrings and false leads breeze by as the young sleuths track down the real culprit. The resolution to this one isn't as good as others; the culprit's motivation just isn't as compelling.

Even if the story is a little below average, the rest of the book is actually better than usual. The explanation of ball hawking should encourage a whole new generation of fans to stand outside stadiums catching baseballs. The inclusion of historic events such as the "homer in the gloaming" and Babe Ruth's "called shot" are fantastic highlights of Wrigley Field's place in the annals of baseball lore. And the revelation of the treasure is deftly handled, without falling into a treacle well of sentimentality.

My four year old son enjoyed the treasure hunt aspect of the plot. I think he also liked the trap Mike and Kate set to catch the culprit. Otherwise this was his introduction to a lot of baseball history.

The dugout notes cover a lot of ground with both Wrigley Field and the Chicago Cubs being among the most storied in Major League Baseball.

Nathaniel says

I liked it and someone's cutting down the ivy in the Cub's ballpark and there's also a riddle. Why people are cutting it down is because of a riddle that Kate solves.

Robin Le duc says

A fun read for transitional readers--- a chapter book for baseball fans- boys or girls. Nice Wrigley references and descriptions...

Amanda says

Cute mystery, a bit of baseball history (about the best team ever), what more could you ask for? :)

Mary Davis says

I received this book as a Goodreads giveaway and after reading it myself I passed it along to my grandson

who is 7 years old. He loved it and is hinting that he would appreciate reading other books in the series. Any young baseball fan would love these. I especially like reading really interesting information about Wrigley Field.

Elizabeth S says

This whole series is awesome fun, and the Wrigley entry is no exception. I've read lots of kids mystery series, and the Ballpark Mysteries are among the most plausible, interesting, and realistic. Plus there is fascinating baseball trivia and accurate descriptions of major-league ballparks. Keep writing 'em, Mr. Kelly!

(I received an autographed copy of this book through a goodreads giveaway, as well as some fun memorabilia. Thank you!!!)

Lori says

Excellent reading for pre teens. Historical fact of baseball in Chicago. Wonderful mystery plot.

Amanda Gilles says

this book had a neat twist to its ending

Caleb says

I liked it. I would have rated it 3 1/2 if I could.

Karla Talbot says

Great early chapter book. The book integrates the traditions of the Cubs and Wrigley Field into the plot. I'd like to have a look inside the scoreboard with Kate and Mike. Great book for baseball fans or an introduction to Chicago. This series should appeal to our Magic Treehouse fans.

Cynthia says

A very good kids book. I received this book free from Goodreads and gave it to my grandchildren ages 6 and 9 and both liked it.

Bloomfield Eastern Greene County Public Library says

Read by Kimberly

Jacoba says

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Genre: Juvenile Fiction

Format: Book

Plot summary: During a visit to the Chicago Cubs' Wrigley field, cousins Mike and Kate investigate why someone has been tampering with the famous ivy vines growing on the outfield walls.

Considerations or precautions for readers advisory (strong language, sex, death, religious overtones, violence, etc.): No special considerations

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Recommended age: 2nd-3rd grade

Jackie says

Mike and Kate are at Wrigley Field in Chicago when Mrs. Hopkins, Kate's mom does some research for an interview. They learn about a mysterious treasure that is supposedly hidden in the ivied walls of the famous old ballpark. Kate and Mike decide to try to solve the mystery and they think they've caught the thief red-handed. But, as with any kid mystery, things are not always what they appear to be at first. Rethinking the clues, they find that the culprit was right in front of them all the time.

The Wrigley Riddle is a good beginning mystery book for grades 2-3. Includes some historical facts about Wrigley Field, Chicago, and baseball.

Melissa says

Received as one of the library winners for this signed edition, this is a definite purchase for my library early chapter book series shelves. The combination of baseball historical stadiums mixed with the suspense of mystery is sure to keep readers engaged. I really enjoyed the historical facts laced throughout the story and followed up with dugout notes in the back of the book explaining some of the significance of the ballpark traditions and superstitions that are part of the experience. Geared for baseball lovers, history buffs, and mystery sleuths this is sure to be a hit!
