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Jordan Cuellar says

This was a really sweet, quick read. Obviously quick, as it's written for kids. I would highly recommend it for kids who want to feel empowered. It was a sweet story of Emma Jacks who seems to be a typical elementary school student, complete with best friends and bullies. But what you soon find out is that she's actually a secret agent for SHINE, which works to fight the evil agency SHADOW. Emma had to be quick-thinking, adaptable, and brave, in her mission work as well as her everyday life. I think it's great for kids ages 7-10, and the best part is it's part of a series. Plus it had some need little facts strewn throughout about the South Pole that I'd never heard before!

Michelle says

A great girls spy book. Loads of action and fun.

Beaulah Pragg says

I liked the premise of this story - Primary School girl who doubles as a spy for a secret agency and goes on a series of adventures. The things she finds difficult to do at school - like facing down bullies - becomes easier after a mission from SHINE agency which inevitably teaches her the skills she needs to solve her real life problems (this theme persists throughout the series).

It was a very quick and easy read full of well-integrated facts (about Antarctica in this case), positive environmental messages and experiences that young primary school girls can probably relate to.

The codes are very simple in this first book, but they get progressively harder and each code is presented on a different page to the solution, giving the reader a chance to work it out for themselves before turning the page.

EJ12 is a very light, friendly read with none of the 'grit' or 'darkness' which has been creeping into other child spy books of late. All about saving animals, and the world, from SHADOW's 'dastardly plans', I found myself wondering in a couple of places if it was actually a spoof, but I suspect that for the target age group (about 7 - 10), it would go down quite well.

Cara says

There are no horses in this book... it's awesome!!

Elizabeth says

A girl who likes math and puzzles. That seems like a rarity. Emma Jacks may be having mean girl trouble at school, but as a secret agent EJ12 she figures out how to handle people like that.

This was a really fun adventure as EJ goes off to the Arctic to stop an villain from melting the polar ice cap to sell for water. There's some friendship difficulties too that Emma figures out how to manage and does so beautifully at the end of the book. Lots of action, fun gadgets, a secret identity and puzzles. Emma has to solve a bunch of puzzles in her mission and they're included in the story so the reader can try their hand at them too. Perfect for third and fourth grade.

Vanessa says

This book is so cool

? ? \diamond the dragon queen \diamond ? ? says

hi this is 2018 14 year old me who remembers that 8 year old me loved this book so,,,,,yeet

(i'm going to repeat this statement for literally every book i add to my children's literature shelf okay)

Samantha says

I liked the genre of this book, and it kept me interested (as spy work is always pretty cool).

Jessn says

good

Jess says

A good little read, perfect for its intended audience, which was my 8 year old. Lots of action with a few good puzzles along the way. She enjoyed it very much.

Avery says

cool ice cool:)

Aparna says
cool books! they are like for young and old kids! it gives a bit of a passsion!
Lucy says
Its great !!!!!
Kaitlin says
When I was 9, I loved these books. I was always getting the next ones and I would finish them quite quickly (for a 9 year old). I always really admired EJ's character and tried to solve the little puzzles in my head before she could. I really liked reading through what she was going through and the different ways she shows her integrity. I think these books are great, probably for younger girls.
Dom says
Meh