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Emily Hilliard says

This is another series that I read out loud with my dad. I totally loved it--about a post apocalyptic world, and a young boy's rebellion against the tripods-- giant beasts who control the minds of humanity.

Evan says

Awesome young adult fiction. Perfect for when you want some quick reads full of danger and adventure, learning about honor and courage and sacrifice and all that good stuff you can't get from anywhere but books these days. Also, evil aliens in giant tripods enslaving mankind. Can't forget that.

Gordon Gravley says

I'm sorry I missed this series as a teen. An engaging, easy read, but not simple, like any good piece of writing, young adult or otherwise. A great introduction to the genre of science-fiction, or a welcomed respite for the more jaded readers of harder stuff.

Elke says

Meine erste Begegnung mit den 'Dreibeinigen Herrschern' hatte ich vor vielen Jahren mit der Serie im Fernsehen. Aus dem Vorspann wusste ich, dass es sich um die Verfilmung eines Buches handelte. Kuerzlich habe ich das Buch selbst entdeckt, wobei das Titelbild mit dem Tripod meine Aufmerksamkeit erregte. Da mir die Serie gut gefallen hatte, ich mich aber nicht mehr so recht an die Story erinnern konnte, habe ich das Buch gelesen - und war total begeistert. Vor allem die Stelle, als die drei Jungen durch die Ruinen von Paris laufen, fand ich sehr beeindruckend, da man selbst alle Dinge kennt, die Will beschreibt, die den Jungen aber voellig fremd sind.

Die dreibeinigen Monster erzahlt eine futuristische Geschichte, in der die Tripods, grosse roboteraehnliche Wesen, die wie Ufos auf drei langen Beinen aussehen, die Erde und die Menschen beherrschen. Alle Menschen werden nach ihrem 14. Geburtstage bei der sogenannten Weihe mit einer Metallkappe versehen, welche die Gedanken steuert und die Menschen jeglicher Individualitaet beraubt. Die Menschen leben gluecklich und zufrieden, aber ohne geistige Kreativaet. Technische Errungenschaften gibt es nicht mehr, die Menschen kennen weder Autos noch elektrische Energie und leben ein einfaches Leben, meist als Bauern. Als Will, aus dessen Perspektive die Geschichte erzahlt wird, kurz vor seiner Weihe steht, begegnet er einem Mann, der ihm von den Weissen Bergen erzahlt. Dort soll es Leute geben, die nicht geweiht wurden und die sich den Tripods widersetzen. Will laeuft von zu Hause weg, um diese Leute zu finden. Sein Cousin Henry und der Franzose Beanpole schliessen sich der Reise an, und gemeinsam unternehmen sie die lange und gefaehrliche Reise in die Weissen Berge. Sie schliessen sich den Rebellen im Kampf gegen die Tripods und fuer die Freiheit des menschlichen Geistes an.

Aaron Caskey says

I watched the BBC television adaptation of the first book and found it entertaining enough to seek out the books. Although Christopher is sometimes a bit sexist, the books are entertaining and move along at a fair pace.

Mehrzaad says

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Ceremony says

I've seen the TV Series as a Teenager and remembered it vividly as one of the most intriguing but also terrifying things i've ever seen. The Book now made it possible for me to read the end of the story and also the beginning how the Tripods started.

I'm now not so terrified anymore but holy moly this was still an awesome read and made me think about humanity and what it means to be truly human.

CJ says

Even though these are teen/young adult books, they are just as gripping as when I first read them years ago. Both the Martians and their machines are portrayed perfectly and terrifyingly, and the suspense and thrill the books generate is just addictive.

Zebardast Zebardast says

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Christen says

I read these first when I was a teenager, and I still think about them from time to time. I want to try one of those alien drug blisters! I also think about vagrant's (is that what they were called) that would wander around and get fed by the regular people, and that slave suicide thing. Great books!!

Valerie says

While on pregnant bed rest I've read a lot of books. Since I ran out of recommended titles, I started at one end of the library and picked out anything that looked interesting. That means I've slogged through a lot of poorly written stuff. This series isn't very good. I read it, but that was better than feeling sick. I'd not do it again.

Tracy says

This set was a fantastic discovery for me! The books were written in the late 1960's, and I read them in 1977 on the recommendation of my elementary school librarian. She told me that not many girls finished these books, which, of course, made it necessary for me to prove her wrong. I hadn't remembered them, but when "The White Mountains" was on a list of recommended books for boys, and I checked it out for Ryan, it was *deja vu*.

I'm not sure if it is because these are really fun books, or if its just because of the feeling of reconnection with my childhood, that I couldn't put them down, but all I've done for two days is read this series. Ryan read them too, and now Jeff is reading them. There are very few things so treasured to me as a book (a series! double-bonus!) that I can read, share and enjoy with my kids and husband.

I think they might be a little hard to find, our library only had one of the series. We ended up buying the set on Amazon, and its an old set from the 1980's.

Steve says

I read and LOVED these books as a teenager. I couldn't remember the author or much about them until I found them here. I'm really curious to read them again and see if they hold the same fascination for me now as they did then.

Sheryl says

Kinda wrinkle-in-time-ish, in the sense that it is largely about breaking free of the adult world mind control. Kinda Lord-of-the-Rings-ish, in the sense that most of the story is a journey taken by some of the characters, and the people and places they encounter. The characters are very lively and interesting, and the tripods are described in such chilling detail that I can still picture them (well, what they looked like in my mind) all these years later.

I was never much of a science fiction freak(ever, but especially not in elementary school) but somehow I latched on to this series and love it still. I recently found a VHS copy of the British TV series based on the books at a thrift store, and it's almost as good as the books.

Gail D.C. says

I read the "Original" three books years ago I came across the boxed set with the fourth book within the last few years. I loved these book then and now. I read them in the follow order The White Mountains, THE City of Gold and Lead, the Pool of Fire. I read the book "When the Tripods Came" last. I liked doing it that way since there was no "When the Tripods Came" when I first read them. I stop to think of the different ideas encountered in the series. Other then being completley free (which is best) were they not mabey a bit better off with how it was with the alieans in charge? They had freedom of choice in so many ways, an agracultrual based life and no war. It seems that not to long after they got rid of the alieans (YEA) that they turned to greed and war with surprising speed.
