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Editorial Review

From School Library Journal

Gr 4–6—Still reeling from their last adventure in *The Forbidden Stone* (HarperCollins, 2014) which ended only hours before, Wade, Darrell, Becca, and Lily are nearly killed by Galina and the evil Order. So begins another around-the-globe hunt for one of 12 mysterious relics that can reactivate a time-traveling astrolabe built by Nicolas Copernicus. But the relic is not the only valuable thing the group is searching for: they must find and rescue Darrell's mother, kidnapped by Galina's thugs. Codes and riddles point the way to the hidden relic, and though readers are unable to participate in solving the puzzles, they will have fun witnessing the characters use their complementary skills to work together and find the answers. The novel's challenge is its length: multiple plotlines and secondary characters are interesting but numerous enough to slow down the otherwise fast-paced narrative. Moderate violence (stabbing, shooting, poisoning, and explosions) contrasts with occasional juvenile phrases such as, "Wade had been giving Becca goo-goo eyes..." and "you are being tremendously awesome". References to the companion novella, *The Copernicus Archives: Wade and the Scorpion's Claw*, (HarperCollins, 2014) whose events take place after the first novel and before this title, add another layer. Readers learn a bit more about each of the four young heroes in this second installment, but those wishing for more character development will want to read the novellas. Fans of the series will eagerly await the next entry.—Marybeth Kozikowski, Sachem Public Library, Holbrook, NY

Review

Praise for *The Serpent's Curse*: "Fast-paced and chock-full of secrets, puzzles and twists." (Kirkus Reviews (starred review))

Praise for *The Copernicus Legacy*: "Full of mystery and intrigue, this book had me completely transfixed." (Ridley Pearson, New York Times bestselling author of the *Kingdom Keepers* series)

"The *Copernicus Legacy* takes you on a fantastical journey that is as eye-opening as it is page-turning. With mysteries hiding behind secrets coded in riddle, this book is like a Dan Brown thriller for young readers. The further you get, the more you must read!" (Angie Sage, New York Times bestselling author of the *Septimus Heap* series)

"The *Copernicus Legacy* has it all: A secret code, priceless relics, murderous knights, a five-hundred-year-old mystery, and a story full of friendship, family, humor, and intelligence." (Wendy Mass, New York Times bestselling author of *The Candymakers* and *Every Soul a Star*)

"Tony Abbott is such an amazing storyteller, Copernicus should've named a star after him. With codes to crack, clues to unravel, and bad guys to outrun, this is one thrilling, smart, and fun read! I can't wait for the next chapter in this stellar new series." (Chris Grabenstein, New York Times bestselling author)

Praise for *The Forbidden Stone*: "With engaging characters, a globe-trotting plot and dangerous villains, it is hard to find something not to like. Equal parts edge-of-your-seat suspense and heartfelt coming-of-age." (Kirkus Reviews (starred review))

"With word games and rebus puzzles to spare, this whirling first entry in a projected six-part series from Abbott has international intrigue, fast-paced action, entertaining characters, and a healthy helping of science history." (Booklist)

“Fast-paced and clever, the novel reads like a mashup of the National Treasure films and The Da Vinci Code.” (Publishers Weekly)

“The author masterfully pulls all the threads together and creates an engaging thriller enhanced by codes, puzzles, exotic locales, and narrow escapes.” (School Library Journal)

“This lively escapade will suit fans of the 39 Clues series who are looking for a new puzzle to solve.” (Bulletin of the Center for Children’s Books)

“A sprawling and fast-paced adventure in the great tradition of Robert Ludlum, Ian Fleming, and other masters whose tales loom larger than life. Readers are in for a real treat.” (David Lubar, author of *Flip*, *Wizards of the Game*, and *Hidden Talents*)

From the Back Cover

Protecting the Legacy has its price.

The hunt for the first relic in Copernicus's legacy has sent Wade, Darrell, Lily, and Becca to the far reaches of the world and put them in serious danger. But they never imagined joining this quest would come at such a high cost. Sara Kaplan—Darrell and Wade's mother—has been kidnapped by the conniving Galina Krause.

Which means the stakes couldn't be higher for the Kaplan family as they race across cold, desolate landscapes, speedboat through narrow canals, and sprint through busy city streets in search of the sought-after relic called the Serpens. Along the way, they meet another network of Guardians that may help them complete their journey, but will the kids get to Sara in time to save her life?

Filled with more riddles, puzzles, and secret histories, *The Serpent's Curse* is the second suspenseful book in bestselling author Tony Abbott's exciting Copernicus Legacy series.

Users Review

From reader reviews:

Karole Standley:

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Vicky Moore:

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