

# LORGNETTE

Quarterly Review of Children's and Young Adults' Books

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3-7



## Book Review: BOOK OF STOLEN DREAMS, THE

Rachel and Robert grew up around books since their father was a librarian. They were used to being in a building full of books--a very safe and quiet place, until it's not. The story is set in a mythical country called Krasnia, which has been taken over by a tyrant, Charles Malstain, who is determined to find a way to live and rule forever. Rachel and Robert's father is determined to see that this never happens. Late one night, he takes them both to the library where he hands them a beautiful book. He then tells them they are to give this book to one particular person as quickly as they can. Suddenly, soldiers break into the library. As Rachel and Robert escape through the ventilation system, their father is beaten and arrested. It becomes paramount for the siblings to get this book into the right hands. But what makes it so special? Finding out becomes a difficult, and often dangerous journey.

The author keeps the story moving quickly, and this age group of readers will definitely stay engaged. The story is classic good vs. evil, and the author effectively conveys both sides with skillful writing. Readers will identify with



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