Jackie Yeager Press Kit

Bio

Jackie Yeager is a middle grade author whose stories inspire children to think more, work hard, and dream big. She holds a master's degree in Education and spent several years coaching Odyssey of the Mind, where her team once-upon-a-time competed at the World Finals. She lives in Rochester, NY with her real-life prince charming and two royally amazing kids. When she's not writing imaginative middle grade fiction or living in her own fairy-tale world, she can be found conducting creative problem solving/writing workshops for kids and blogging at www.swirlandspark.com.

Spin the Golden Light Bulb

The Crimson Five: Book 1

It's the year 2071, and eleven-year-old Kia Krumpet is determined to build her 67 inventions, but she won't have the opportunity to unless she earns a spot at PIPS, the Piedmont Inventor's Prep School. Kia, who has trouble making friends at school, has dreamed of winning the Piedmont Challenge and attending PIPS ever since she learned that her Grandma Kitty won the very first Piedmont Challenge. After she and four of her classmates are selected to compete for a spot at PIPS, they travel by aero-bus to Camp Piedmont to solve a task against forty-nine other state teams to earn their place at the best inventor's school in the country.

Flip the Silver Switch

The Crimson Five: Book 2

The Crimson Five are back again, ready to compete against the best inventor teams in the world at the Piedmont Global Championships with their amazing invention, the Ancestor App. The odds are in their favor, but when they arrive in Quebec City, they're blind-sided with another task to solve, and they only have two weeks to do it. As the team struggles with a lack of creativity, the rumor mill turns, and the Crimson Five question everything they think they know about each other. Kia and her team must come together like never before in order to win, but a tragedy threatens to derail all that they've built.

Reviews

“Young students compete in a futuristic setting in this story that teaches useful lessons about teamwork, family, and forgiveness.” (Foreward Reviews)

“Young readers who are interested in STEM will find themselves reflected in these characters. An open-ended resolution leaves room for a sequel. A strong secondary purchase for those looking to add fiction with a STEM focus to their middle grade collections.” (School Library Journal)

“A thoroughly charming, entertaining, and ‘kid friendly’ novel for young readers ages 8 to 12, “Spin the Golden Light Bulb” showcases author Jackie Yeager’s genuine gift for original narrative storytelling.” (Midwest Book Review, Children’s Bookwatch–Fiction Shelf)

“An adventure right from the start, the action never slows down. Young readers who feel unspecial will be inspired to find their true talents and all the other things that make them shine. This is a most encouraging and uplifting story and is sure to give new confidence to any child.” (Midwest Book Review, Children’s Bookwatch–Story Monsters Ink Shelf)

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