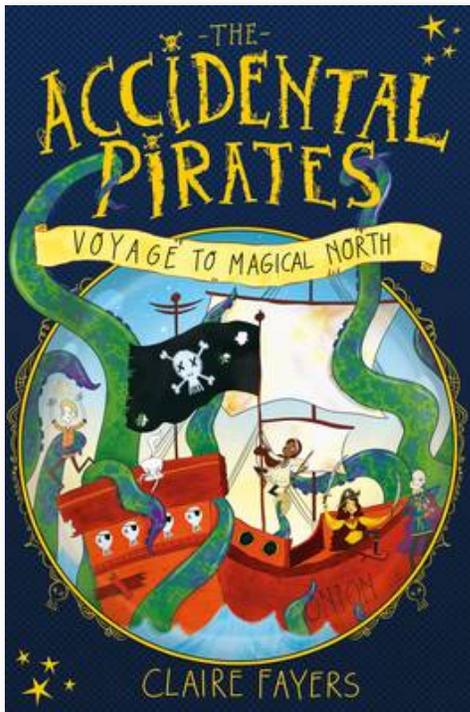


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Love reading 4kids Reader reviews of **The Accidental Pirates** **Voyage To Magical North** by Claire Fayers



Below are the complete reviews, written by the Love reading 4kids members.



Brodie Greenslade, age 10

A hilarious and exciting story about a girl called Brine who goes on an unexpected journey and has lots of adventures on the way!

'The Accidental Pirates: Voyage to the Magical North' is a super-funny story about Brine Seaborne, slave of Tallis Magus, the mean magician of her home island Minutes. Brine does not know her true origins. She and the magician's apprentice, Peter, run away from the island after breaking Tallis Magus's Starshell, a rare source of magical power. Soon after escaping they are caught by pirates on a quest to find Magical North where they hope to find treasure. Brine

hopes that the stories about Magical North are true and that, on Orion's Day she will be able to see the whole world, including her true home...

*This story was perfect for me, it had everything I like in a good book: animals, sword fights and funny parts! **It was SO epic it was almost like superglue - I couldn't put it down!** I would recommend this book to all pirate fans or anyone who likes funny adventure stories. Perfect for me, I'll definitely read it again.*

Ethan Watkin, age 8

It's a funny adventure story so if you like 'Star Wars' but with

swords and quests then you'll love this book.

This thriller by Claire Fayers has adventure, friendship and a lot of clumsiness. There's a lot of fun in it. My favourite character was Ewan Hughes because he was always grumpy like me. It was funny when I read the bit where they said when it's normal it feels wrong as they were always getting stuck in traps and then just about escaping.

Its a great story about the Onion's crew who take on a quest to find the magical north but there's a mean magician trying to hoarde all the treasure for himself.

The monsters are very cool and cause real trouble for the pirates. They're a bit scary, especially the big whale so watch out for him and the deadly invisible snow bears who can eat you up in one bite!

I think it would be good for children over 7 years old.

Oliver Lonsdale, age 8

Interesting story about magic, pirates, and adventure.

I had mixed feelings about this book. I really liked the magic, the adventures and the Pirates who were very funny. However for me its pace was far too slow.

Different books appeal to different people and I am sure this book will be loved by many it's just not for me.

Maya Watson, age 10

I really liked 'The Accidental Pirates Voyage to Magical North' because I found it very funny and full of adventure and surprises.

Brine Seaborne is left in a rowboat with a starshell when she was young. She ends up as a magician's servant and then runs away from him with the magician's apprentice; Peter. They get caught up in a pirate adventure with lots of surprises along the way while the magician tries to get his revenge on the pirates. I liked Cassie because she was so honest and also Tomgirl because he was so funny. I thought the book was very well written and very funny. I really did enjoy it because it was exciting, full of action and it made me laugh.

Jenna Welch, age 11

'The Accidental Pirates, Voyage to the Magical North' written by Clare Fayers

is a fantastic book with a wonderful storey line and some fantastic amount of humour and wit. When I first saw this book I thought it was a book for little kids but when I read it I found that it was aimed at the 'tweenage' (10-13) age group. But any person over this age would still enjoy it. **I found it really funny and full of wit and the characters are hilarious** like the fact that one of them is called Brine Seaborne and the bits of poetry of sections from other books that feature in the book at the beginning of each chapter.

Sky Preston, age 9

Amazing read! Always made you think what was going to happen next. Catches the reader's imagination.

This book was very interesting and captures the reader's imagination. The main character, Brine Seaborne, is taken on an adventure to the Magical North.

Brine is a servant girl until she runs away and meets the pirates.

Brine is determined to find her parents and why they left her alone. She is clever and resourceful.

The pirates are brave and never give up.

Overall I thought this book was an amazing read and I would recommend it for other junior children who like adventure stories.

Lewis Briggs, age 10

Fun and fascinating, funny and excellent; it is an excellent book. I would recommend it to friends and my sibling and I am really glad I had the opportunity to review this book. Fun and fascinating, funny and excellent, 'The Accidental Pirate: Voyage to the Magical North' is a very good story. If I have to think of a negative then I think it needs a better title. Apart from that it is a fantastic book. I would recommend it to friends and my younger sibling and I am really glad I had the opportunity to review this book.

Connie Peers, age 9

A thrilling adventure featuring devious pirate characters and sea monsters. This book is ideal for any children with a love of swashbuckling tales! I totally recommend this book to other bookworms! 'The Accidental Pirates' is a thrilling adventure filled with magic and mayhem. In trying to escape the clutches of a

short-tempered magician and to find her long lost parents, twelve year old Brine is captured by Cassie O'Pia and her crew. On board the sloop known as the Onion, Brine finds herself unexpectedly on a perilous journey to find the Magical North. **Throughout the book there is enough adventure and pirate frolics to keep even the most sea faring of readers entertained! An excellent book which is suitable for both boy and girl pirates!**

Alex Hall, age 10

*'The Accidental Pirates' is a tale of adventure and magic. **It is full of drama and fun...and the way it was written made my imagination expand!** Brine Seaborne is an orphaned girl servant to an annoying magician and his apprentice Peter. One day she breaks the starshell (which the magician uses to cast magic) and has to leave the island she is on. She escapes out to sea on a rowing boat, but she is saved by the crew of a legendary pirate ship called "the onion", who welcome her to their crew. The pirates on a mission to find magical north, a place so mysterious that hardly anybody has stepped foot on it's shores. This place is said to solves mysteries and the unknown. If Brine reaches there, in time she might find out who her lost parents are and why they abandoned as a child. With the help of an evil magician that the onion's crew had captured, they find the magical north. This book left me keen to get to the end, because of its drama and the excitement of the adventure.*

Lauren Carver, age 10

This book is very funny. It's one of my favourites. My favourite character is Brine because she is such a funny character. My favourite part is in the library with the little girl. **BEST BOOK EVER!**

Ross O'Gorman, age 9

*'The Accidental Pirates Voyage To Magical North' is **a brilliant book, packed full of magic, adventure and fun.** The central characters are Brine and Peter who end up on an amazing voyage to Magical North. Peter is a trainee magician and Brine is a servant. They do not get along very well but they help each other to escape from Tallis, a cruel magician. They are picked up by a pirate ship called the Onion, which is captained by a well known pirate called Cassie O'Pia. Brine does not know where she comes from and longs to find out about her parents. There are wonderful characters on board the ship and things*

become even more interesting when an evil magician called Marfak West, who everyone thought was dead, turns up. He is set on revenge against Cassie, who sank his ship but promises to guide them to Magical North, where treasures await them. A librarian called Tom, who comes from a library island called Barnard's Reach, also joins the crew and is tasked with recording the story of their voyage. This book was a real page turner, filled with so much excitement and fun. They meet lots of monsters and scary birds along the way and when they reach Magical North, they have to defeat Marfak West and fight for their lives against pirate copies. I cannot wait to read the next Accidental Pirates book and continue on the pirate adventure with Brine, Peter and Tom and all the pirate crew.

Daniel Bisland, age 9

*This book is about a girl called Brine Seaborne who is 12 years old. She was found in a rowing boat with a starshell piece around her neck (a starshell holds magic from around you). Ever since she got found she was a slave for a magician called Tallis Magus and his apprentice, Peter. Peter and Brine ran away because they broke Tallis Magus's starshell by standing on it and they didn't want to get killed by him! Quickly, they ran to a boat and rowed to the middle of the sea. Suddenly, they saw the mighty Onion!! But what is the Mighty Onion??? THIS IS WHERE THE STORY BEGINS! **If you like pirates, adventure and funny poems, this is the book for you!** My favourite part of the book is when they find Magical North – the most magical place in the world. **I give it 10/10** and recommend it to 8+.*

Aminah, age 11

'The Accidental Pirate' was a really fun book to read. I enjoyed reading it as well as learning about the characters more and more.

Beatrice Whithear, age 9

***A fantastic adventure** about a girl called Brine Seaborne, Magicians and Pirates on the Pirate Ship Onion. This book is full of characters and adventures all trying to get to the 'Magical North'.*

There is a lot going on and lots to remember but the descriptions are great so you can picture all the people and places.

I liked all the names in the book some were quite funny Brine Seaborne, Tallis Magus, Cassie O'Pia, Ewan Hughes, Trudi Storme, Tom Girl and Marfak West.

The beginning definitely made me want to read more, a girl found in a sailboat with a piece of Starshell to do magic who doesn't know where her parents are.

It is a good read and the chapters are a good length.

*I liked how Brine and Peter started off not being friends, but they soon do. Also Barnards Reach sounded great and I liked it when Tom Girl joins them on the Onion. **I found the book really fast paced and I couldn't wait to read the next chapter.***

I would give this book 9 out of 10.

Erica Motoc, age 10

A great time occupier and bursting with adventure book that makes a great summer holiday read! This book is very exciting and adventurous from the start. At times it is even scary like when the ship Onion ventures into the many places the sea has to offer. Rescuing and fighting, Cassie O Pia and her crew begin their adventure in the depths of the ocean. Will Brine ever find her parents and will The Onion ever reach Magical North?

Find out in the book...

Jasmine Harris-Hart, age 14

A magical, funny and exciting pirate adventure full of battles, storms and unusual creatures.

Normally twelve year old Brine Seaborne would be cleaning the magicians grubby bathroom as well as other jobs - he had her constantly working.

She was found on a rowing boat abandoned and had no memory of her life before, not even her name!

She finds herself whisked into a magical pirate adventure after Peter (the magicians young apprentice) and her, steal the magical star shell, whilst the magician was sleeping. He wakes up and gives chase unsuccessfully as they escape into a rowing boat.

They get lost at sea but Captain Cassiopia and her crew haul them aboard their pirate vessel to safety.

They join Cassiopia and her crew heading to Magical North, and Brine hopes that she will be able to find out who she is and where she came from.

This story is a cliff hanger as there are still questions unanswered. Maybe there are more adventures to come?

I enjoyed reading this witty adventure and would recommend it for both boys and girls 9+.

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