Lovereading4kids Reader reviews of Tin
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Below are the complete reviews, written by the Lovereading4kids members.

Grace Phelan, age 10

'Tin' is an original and thrilling book that is overflowing with mysteries about to be unravelled.

Four brave robots and a witty human go above and beyond to find their beloved friend Christopher, only to discover that they need the help of his creator Philip Cormier, the greatest engineer of all time. Cormier at first is reluctant to help until a breath taking secret unfolds. When I picked up this book, I thought instantly that I wasn't going to enjoy it. I then started to actually read it and before I knew it, I was whisked away on an exciting mechanical adventure.

My favourite character is Estelle because she is determined, stubborn and never lets anything get in her way.

I would definitely recommend this book to girls and boys who love quests with many plots, and to those who take an interest in robots and mechanical stuff as it also teaches you a few bits and bobs as well. But it is also a good friendship story. It might not appeal to younger readers as it can be slightly scary in some places."

Amber Gurung, age 11 - Wellington Primary Academy

I was captivated from the first page! ‘Tin’ is a story of true friendship, adventure and courage!

The main character, Christopher has an emotional journey through the story and the reader will be desperate to know his true story. Perfect for confident
readers in Upper Primary, both girls and boys, children who like adventure and action stories, or anyone keen to read a story quite different from any other. You can follow Wellington Primary Academy on Twitter:@WellyPrimary

Emily Ionsdale, age 12

‘Tin’. A strange name for a book, I think, as I pluck it off the shelf. But a story of things tin and metal was exactly this book entailed. Christopher is the only ""proper"" boy in his rag-tag band of robots in all shapes and sizes. In a shock accident, Christopher’s life is changed for ever and nothing will EVER be the same again.

**I would recommend this book to pretty much everyone because it is an interesting and funny read.** I suppose this book probably accommodates boys more than girls, but girls, don't be put off. Have a go at this brilliant title and you will be rewarded with funny characters and a twisting plot that will keep you on your toes. **Awesome mechanical mayhem, a robotic fairy-tale to be cherished. For all the budding engineers.**

Ethan Watkin, age 10

This book is touching with little dashes of comedy. It's a completely different story to anything I've read before which made it really interesting.

I loved this book. I would give it a 9 out of 10 at least if not 10 out of 10!

Tin is about a person who goes to extreme lengths to figure out exactly who he is. Also this is a great story of friendship and love between friends. My favourite part was when Rob received a new leg and created his own very fancy walk, tried it and fell over! Round Rob is also my favourite character because he was so gormless but really funny.

It's a great adventure story about a boy who believes he is human finds out the truth about himself after a terrible accident. I would recommend this book for 11 year olds up to about 14 year olds.

Josh Parcell, age 10

**Tin is a wonderful book about a world of “mechanicals”. After a terrible accident Christopher is plunged into an exciting journey to discover the truth about who he really is.** So join him on his amazing
adventure accompanied by 4 friends.

Bella, age 10

Tin is a fun and exciting story.

I haven't read a book quite like Tin before. Its characters are mostly robots but ones who have feelings and that care. In this book one of them gets stolen and the others have to get him back.

Some parts of the book were exiting, some were scary, it took me a long time to read but it was good.

Niamh Donnelly, age 10 - Wellington Primary Academy

An amazing book about friendship, love and adventure. Four friends (Jack, Rob, Gripper, Estelle) journey to find their friend, Christopher and discover their true past. My favourite character is Jack because he is determined and never gives up even when he is feeling down. I thoroughly enjoyed this book and will look for new books from this author. My classmates are now keen to read the book as well!

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Zoe Basson, age 11

This book made me understand what it means to be a human.

Despite the main characters in this book being robots/mechanicals, it really tells you all about human values and characteristics. The people in this book go on an amazing adventure to save their friend and they're not even considered "proper".

I loved how, from the cover of the book, it looks like it's about the tin man- and I guess it is partly - but then you realise that it is its own complete story. I was taken on an adventure by this book.

Alex Hall, age 12

I found this difficult to read and didn't get very far with it... The front cover illustrates a city made of metal and the way that the figures are stood it
gives the impression of facing up to fears or doing something that they have never done before.

Catherine Richardson, adult

This book is one of a kind as it's unusual in its subject matter and style; it keeps you on the edge of your seat until the end.

Exploring the futuristic world of robots and their relationship with humans. Tin is an amazing book suitable for ages 8-12. It is about an engineer who makes and repairs robots but has many twists and turns. This book is one of a kind as it's unusual in its subject matter and style; it keeps you on the edge of your seat until the end.
A great book to use in school—so many different characters to follow, enjoy and explore. If you want to read something quite different this is the book for you!