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## Love reading 4kids Reader reviews of **The Witch's Kiss** by Katharine & Elizabeth Corr

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



**Jenna Timmis, age 13**

*What if you were told you couldn't love?*

***This book will physically turn its pages by itself...***

***The question is, do u really believe in magic?***

*The youngest witch, Merry has everyones fate in her own hands. Can she destroy Gwydion, eventhough she isnt a trained witch?*

*Ever since Jack was christaned with a curse it has up to Merry to break it and kill the evil behind it. What would you do if the life of love was in your hands?*

*I would recomend this book to both girls and boys of around 10-16 as it is really enchanting and the pages turn by themselves.*

**Humaira, age 18**

*'The Witch's Kiss' is a type of book that makes you read faster till you get to the end of the book and wanting more. The story line and synopsis was brilliant; original and unique. My only problem was some parts were a bit sketchy or information was dropped in a later time frame that had already happened- You'll understand when you read it. I loved the characters and I can't wait for the second book so I can watch them develop even more!*

***Overall a great story, perfect for fans of alternated fairy tales and***

*fantasy!*

**Francesca Hughes, age 14**

*Merry is a sixteen-year-old witch, who is destined to save her town and everyone in it. But will she be ready? If you thought you had problems, try being her. **This book is compelling, intriguing and magical. If you like the 'Trial by Fire' series, books involving magic or historical fiction. You'll love this!***

**Edel Waugh**

*This story is based around a young woman called Meredith. Merry comes from a long generation of witches. Their history is a tragic one with a curse that is now coming to fruition. It now falls on Merry to save her family from the curse that had started before she was even born. I really enjoyed this story, especially the parts with Merry and her grandmother, they are likeable characters and you are rooting for them! I enjoyed the back story of the family too and how they have come to the position that they are in now, and **the story kept me interested throughout especially as there is a good build up of tension and a sense of urgency. Loved it!***

**Phoebe Allan, age 16**

*So what girl hasn't secretly wished they could do magic or be a witch? If you are one of those girls, then you will love 'The Witch's Kiss'. **A modern day tale of families, love and friendship with a seriously magical twist in which a wicked past causes Merry to tumble into a dark, dangerous and thrilling adventure.** The story is fast paced, clever and quickly draws you in. Guided by her Grandmother and the rest of the Coven, Merry has to deal with a wicked curse that threatens to destroy the world around her. **A brilliant book that I was sad to finish!** Fingers crossed that Katharine and Elizabeth write another book soon! A massive thumbs up!*

**Megan Abbott, age 17**

***A perfect mix of fantasy, mystery and romance. This has been one of the best fantasy books I have ever read as it hooks you in from the first chapter.** Sixteen-year-old Meredith is fed-up with her feuding family*

*and feeling invisible at school – not to mention the witch magic that shoots out of her fingernails when she's stressed, as she is the only one that can stop the evil wizard from reawakening. I loved the sense of mystery which unraveled from the beginning, as well as the hint of romance, which didn't overpower the actual message of the book. I really liked the change in narrators as it allowed you have to have a better understanding of the plot as well as seeing it from different points of view. I would definitely recommend this book and I literally cannot wait for the sequel!*

**Katie Miller, age 14**

***Good if you like this genre.*** *Pretty good. I think this book is very good for people who like this sort of thing - Love story cross fairy tale - but I don't think it's for me. So I would recommend it but only for people who know that they like this type of book.*

**Felicity Kerswell, age 13**

***I was hooked by the first words and could not put it down. I loved it! I would completely recommend this book to my friends. It's a must read!***

*I loved this book it was amazing. The book starts in a different era which made it mysterious. The way the author wrote the book meant the more you read, the more you found out & the more mysterious it got. I am bouncing off the wall as I cannot wait for the second book to come out. The characters were amazing and made me smile and cry as they try to figure out what is going on. I hope you like it as much as I did.*

*Merry, a sixteen-year-old girl, is a witch but her mother does not allow her to practice. After an accident she thought it was too dangerous but all of a sudden a dark wizard awakens from a spell that Merry's ancestors cast. Merry has to embrace the magic or the world will be destroyed.*

**Grace Spear, age 14**

***I loved this book because it was really gripping. Merry is struggling with an old family curse that could be life or death. Its a great love story and enjoyable.***

*'The Witches Kiss' is a magical, heartfelt story, full of love and danger, with*

*every page you turned bringing more excitement. Merry is introduced to an old family secret, a curse that could potentially affect the rest of her life and other peoples. She is a witch trying not to be, but when her family history is revealed she has no choice but to face facts. When Jack comes into her life she instantly falls in love with him. But he's evil and part of the curse Merry has to break. Would she be able to break the curse and save her true love?*

*I loved reading this book because it made you want to keep reading, in fear of what was going to happen next. It was nice to read as I could imagine all the characters as if they'd jumped off the page. I loved the relationship between Merry and her brother as it was very relatable. Some chapters were tense and others mysterious, but there was a good mix. I really enjoyed it and would recommend it to anyone who loves a good fantasy novel!*

### **Amy Laws**

***I really enjoyed this book- one of the best fantasy novels I've read in a long time.***

*The Witch's Kiss follows the story of Merry, a seemingly average teenager, who is also a witch. This book follows the relationship between Merry and Jack as Merry has to try to break an ancient curse.*

*Despite not normally being a fan of books about the supernatural, I really enjoyed 'The Witch's Kiss'. I haven't read the first book in the series but it can definitely be read as a stand alone novel as it still made really good sense. The characters were described in great detail making them easy to empathise with but I feel like the plot could have been improved but over all, the story was enjoyable. The historical aspect to the book helped to bring the story to life which I think was one of the reasons why I enjoyed it so much.*

*Overall, I would say this book is worth reading if you are a fan of fantasy or novels including supernatural creatures.*

### **Amelie Chatham, age 13**

***The Witch's Kiss is a great story for fans of fantasy books and cursed romances.***

*Merry is 16. She has exam papers up to her ears and has enough to worry about in her normal teenage life without her magically glowing fingernails or the creepy box that follows her everywhere getting her involved in 1000 year old*

*curses, that end with either true loves kiss or a lot of dead people. Merry must resist the temptation of love and help stop a series of mass murders before it's too late. I really like this book and would definitely recommend it to any fantasy lovers.*

**Jodi Coffman, age 14**

***A unique story and a fantastic read. I couldn't put it down!***

*Merry is trying to be a normal teenager, but it's hard to be normal when she secretly knows she's a witch. She tries to ignore it but she can't escape her past. Once Jack comes into her life, she can't stop falling in love. But it's dangerous, he's part of a curse from years and years ago and it's up to Merry to break it. I really enjoyed this book and this unique story. I got wrapped up with Merry and her story and read the book so quickly because I wanted to find out what happened. I recommend this book to young teenagers who like fantasy books but also those who want to try something new and I'm sure you will enjoy it.*

**Cliona, age 18**

***A little hard to get in to but definitely worth it in the end.***

*It took me a while to get into this book as I found it a bit slow, however what really hooked me was the 'Then' tale of the past. After the plot had become more developed I really enjoyed reading of Merry's self acceptance; of her own abilities and the twists and turns of the dangerous journey to save the people she loves. There were points that I personally found hard to get in to but I would recommend this book as the overall story is very good!*

**Destiny, age 14**

***This novel was spellbinding, dark, mysterious and very spooky. I really loved the plot as it has never been done before and was very imaginative. I thought it was extremely clever that the author portrayed Jack as the victim and the monster as this is so rarely seen, overall I loved reading 'The Witch's Kiss'.***