

LoveReading4kids Reader reviews of World of Warriors: A New Hero by Curtis Jobling

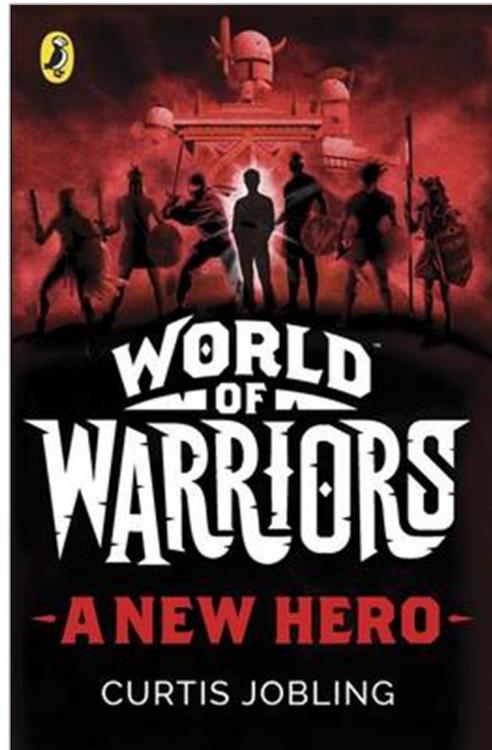
Below are the complete reviews, written by LoveReading4kids members.

Sam Harper, age 11

Join Richard 'Trick' Hope on his exciting, action-packed, fast-paced adventure through the fantasy world of the Wildlands. You won't be disappointed.

I loved the thrilling first instalment in Curtis Jobling's new series, 'The World of Warriors.' 'A New Hero' is the story of Richard 'Trick' Hope, a 13-year-old boy who has lots of problems. After his mum died, his relationship with his dad became difficult and, even though he has his grandfather to turn to, he still plays truant from school. Trick realises that he must change his ways before he is sent to an institution but on his return to school he meets some bullies and is forced to hide in the British Museum. This is when his adventure begins. He is magically transported to the Wildlands, a fantasy kingdom full of strange creatures and warriors from different times and places. The evil tyrant Boneshaker rules with an iron fist and he and his army terrorise all of the other inhabitants. Trick has a seemingly ordinary pendant which his mother gave him, but which seems to mean that he is the Black Moon Warrior, the only person who can find the fabled Ravenblade and defeat Boneshaker. With the help of Kaw, a talking crow, the guidance of Kalaban, a wise old hermit, and the support of his team of warriors, Trick sets off on his quest. He must fight fearsome beasts, Boneshaker's Skull Army and the maniac Boarhammer but will good be powerful enough to overcome evil?

The fast pace of this story fitted the exciting, action packed plot really well. The characters were totally believable, the author must have carried out lots of



research to get their personalities right and ensure that they fitted in to the correct time and place in history. The Wildlands was a brilliant world, full of new and original creatures like lightning bugs and carrion crabs. I can't wait for book 2!

Isaac Phelan, age 11

Trick Hope is no normal boy. Once a child like any other, next a legendary warrior. All Trick wants to do is go home, but Boneshaker stands in his way. A ruthless villain. Can Trick defeat him..?

Trick Hope lives with his Dad in a flat in London. This may seem like a normal life to you and me, but after bullies chase trick into a museum, he is sucked away from everything he knows and loves and lands in a place destined for war. Trick and other warriors want to return to their time, but Boneshaker, a ruthless villain stands in their way to freedom. Despite his reluctance to fight, Trick has landed himself in a bloody and desperate war...

I loved this book because I really liked the new warriors Trick met on his journey as it explained how they were summoned and who they were. This also relates to the game World of Warriors and I recognised many of the characters from the game which I play myself.

My favourite part was when Trick met Mungo and he attacked the Viking just for sandwich. It was really funny as it was obvious he was eternally hungry!

Alex Hall, age 9

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Tomasz Hawryszczuk, age 10

A fantastic adventure story based on the world wide phenomenon of the game. Emerge yourself into the game with "Trick" once he is

trapped in the mystical world. This book was awesome.

When Trick is trying to get away from bullies he's transported into the mystical "world of warriors" and faces battles and adventure to survive. He forms an elite group of warriors to try to defeat the enemy. If you like adventure stories and the game then you will love this. Warriors, Romans, Vikings, Samurais, Knights and more! This all makes for a fantastic story for boys from around 9 years to 13 years I would say. I can't wait for the next book in the series and I hope there are lots more to come!

Charlotte Cassidy, age 10

A brilliant page-turner of a book based on the adventure game 'World of Warriors'. I loved every second of it and am looking forward to the next books in the series.

'World of Warriors' is the first book in a series about a boy named Richard, though everyone calls him Trick. He often bunks off school and usually spends his mornings roaming around London. One particular morning, he bumps into the school bullies; they chase Trick into the British museum where he hides inside a new exhibition room filled with dummies of Warriors from different time periods. His black half-moon pendant- which he was given by his mother before she disappeared- starts glowing with a blue light. Two seconds later, he finds himself in a strange new world. He finds himself suddenly caught up in a quest to defeat the Warlord Boneshaker. Trick makes new friends and enemies, all from different time periods on planet Earth such as a Viking, a Celt, a Samurai Warrior and a talking crow. Together they work as a team to try to defeat the evil one.

I really enjoyed reading this brilliant book because it makes you feel for the characters and it makes you feel like the world that he is transported to is real. I would recommend this book to readers age 9+, boys and girls that enjoy adventure books and exciting books.

Louie Mee, age 9

The plot of this story was very good, however it seemed long winded in getting to the point.

This didn't help make me want to keep reading at times.

I didn't really have a favorite character in this book. They were all interesting.

There wasn't a favourite part either. This may be because it all it was all bit too repetitive with the ongoing journey that the Characters went on.

The epilogue at the end was punchy and made me want to read the next book in the series, despite how I felt when reading this book.

I think if the author gets to the point quicker the book will be more gripping.

Sue Wilsher

Full of action and adventure, this unlikely schoolboy hero leaves behind his troubled everyday life to become the Black Moon Warrior.

Joined by a host of warriors from across the ages, Trick Hope develops true leadership skills, using logic and strategy – different tactics in a world where a wide range of weaponry and combat styles are evident.

Doubtless appealing to many boys, this story also offers strong female characters, each of whom has a significant part to play in the plot. The true friendship and affection that develops between Trick and Toki and Trick's reluctance to kill and destroy for the sake of doing so also help to make the story a satisfying read.

Alongside the action, there are many humorous moments which lighten the overall tone of the story. This is a very enjoyable book- no doubt the first in a series exploring Trick's fortunes!

Alexander Bisland, age nearly 10!

This book is about a boy who goes on an adventure to a different land and this is how his adventure begins!

One day, Trick was in his grandfather's second hand book shop; like he was every morning and they discussed Trick's pendant that his mum had bought for him. Later that day Trick, was in a comic shop as he liked comics. As he left he bumped into three bullies. They took his comics and tried to take his wallet but he managed to escape. They chased him around town until he reached The British Museum. He ran past the curtains into a new exhibition and then ran into a room at the back. It was full of mannequins! Soon 2 of the 3 bullies found him and the smallest one had a metal pole in his hand. Trick saw a dish made of the same thing as his pendant but as soon as he got close to it, his pendant stuck to it like a magnet and it nearly strangled him. The youngest bully was about to hit him with the pole but then a blue piece of light sucked him in!

He lifted his head out of some salty water and this is how his adventure begins!

I recommend this book to 11+ fantasy readers who don't mind sad endings.

I give the book 4 ½ out of 5 because I expected it to continue with the story but if there is a second one, I will still read it!

Anastasia, age 10

This book is an amazing creation by Curtis Jobling. It has been a pleasure reading it and I'm excited to see what else he writes.

World of warriors is a thrilling book full of suspense and adventure. I was hooked all the way. The way it is described as well is amazing. I recommend this boo to ages 10 and over.

Henry Smith

Apologies, I did not finish this book as I really did not enjoy it.

Unfortunately I found it hard to understand the plot and didn't connect with the characters at all so after a few chapters I am sorry but I stopped reading.

Helen Cassidy

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