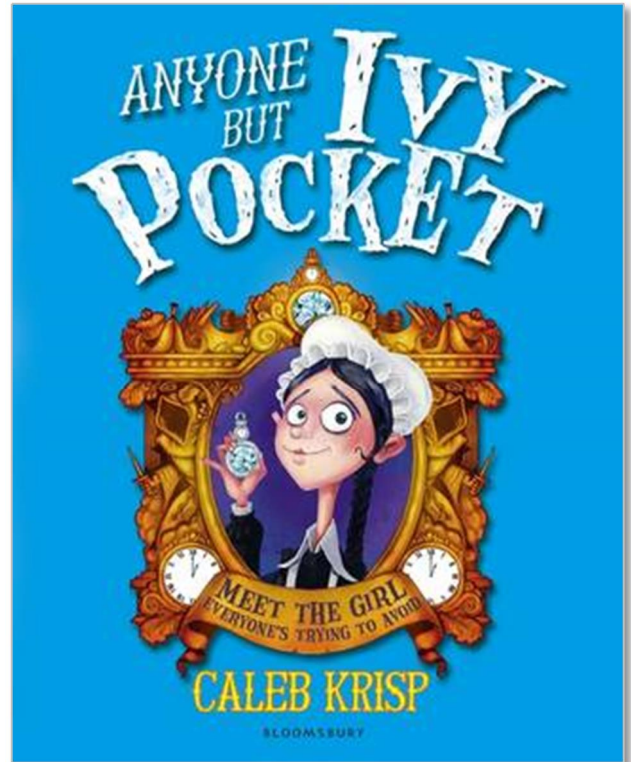


## LoveReading4kids Reader reviews of Anyone But Ivy Pocket by Caleb Krisp

Below are the complete reviews, written by LoveReading4kids members.

### Eloise Mae Clarkson, age 12

*This book is about a twelve year old maid who is given a special job to do. She is to deliver a necklace to a young girl's birthday ball. She is warned that people may try to take it from her. **This book is unlike any other book I have read. The story was so unique and different. I loved the plot twists and the characters.** The characters were portrayed really well. I would love for there to be a sequel so you can find out what happens next. I would rate this book five out of five stars. It was amazing.*



### Katharine Thomas, age 10

***If you like an exciting storyline, great characters and a fantastic plot then this book is for you!***

*This is the story of a 12 year old girl, called Ivy Pocket, who is a maid in Victorian times. Ivy is sent on an errand by a duchess to deliver a priceless necklace to the Duchess' old friend, Elizabeth's, granddaughter. The errand takes Ivy on a very long journey full of adventures. Along the way she meets a new friend. A lot of people are not always what they appear to be.*

*I really liked this book because Ivy is such an interesting character; she is mischievous and mysterious but at the same time thoughtful and caring. This is a mystery story and, as a result, a real page turner; every time I ended a chapter I had to read on. There is quite a complicated storyline, I would recommend it to ages 9+ and **would rate it a 5/5 because it is well-written and keeps you guessing until the end.** If you like an exciting storyline, great characters and a fantastic plot, this is the book for you!*

**Ella, age 10**

***'Ivy Pocket' is a fun book that made me laugh and jump at the same time. It's quite unusual as it's a Victorian mystery but with some supernatural elements too. I enjoyed it.***

*Ivy Pocket is a brilliant character - even though she's only young she speaks as if she's much older. She's very funny and a bit silly when things happen - she can't work out what is going on around her even if it's really obvious.*

*I liked the Victorian setting of the book but wasn't as keen on the supernatural parts. It seemed as if there was too much going on. Nevertheless, I did enjoy it and read it in one sitting!*

**Isabelle because Preston, age 10 - Tockington Manor School**

*Ivy Pocket is an arrogant child with a vivid imagination that leads you to some quite exciting things. Ivy Pocket is a maid of many "talents", or so she thinks. She is summoned to a dying duchess's side. She is entrusted with great power. She makes the journey to London, but people will do anything to get it. When she starts seeing ghosts, she thinks she is going off her trolley! A demon from another world befriends her which leads to lots of trouble, but when she puts on the necklace, she discovers the true power of it. **I liked this book because it is a mystery book and is full of adventure.** I recommend this book for all 10-11 year olds.*

**Molly Betts, age 9**

***My favourite character was Ivy because she is adventurous, just like me! I would rate this book: \*\*\*\*\****

*My worst character is Miss Always because I knew there was something suspicious about her the first time Caleb mentioned her. There was something suspicious about the Mistress of the Clock and Governess of Butterfield Park: Miss Frost. There is a mysterious priceless object: The Clock Diamond. Three people Ivy knew died. I would rate this book: \*\*\*\*\* (five stars)*

**Susanna McGurk, age 14**

***The first novel in the Ivy Pocket series was a great first novel and I cannot wait to read the next book in the series.***

*Ivy Pocket is the heroine of the story "Anyone buy Ivy Pocket", she is the first heroine that I've come across that thinks and says anything but the truth, this makes her partly insane but in a funny way because of this the reader itself would think she is an anti-heroine. Near the start of the book she thought that her master had lost her mind so she grabbed her by the back of her neck and plunged her face into a bowl of fruit punch, she does similar crazy things like this throughout the story but what makes it so funny is that she doesn't think she's doing anything wrong even though she is doing the most craziest of things. I love her character and she's one of the most funniest protagonists that I've ever read about and the quest she has is the kind of thing that other authors should take notes from because of how much thought has been put into the story.*

**Tegan Butler-Moore, age 9**

***This a good book about a girl who gets involved in a thrilling drama about a murdered Duchess and a mysterious necklace. I really enjoyed it!***

*This book had a really quick pace and you get involved in the action straight away. This is good because you don't want to put it down.*

*At the start a Duchess gives Ivy (her servant) a precious amulet and a quest to deliver it safely to an unidentified friend. On the way, she meets a character who Ivy really likes, but as the reader you know there is something strange about her. Ivy puts all her trust into Miss Smith which is a big mistake. Lots of odd coincidences seem to happen and as the reader you worry for Ivy (even if she is a bit ditsy!)*

*Overall, this book was a gripping historical tale that you can't put down. I'd recommend it to fans of historical mysteries - it is a very uniquely written book.*

**Charlotte, age 10**

***A funny, exciting book. I loved every second of it.***

*Anyone but Ivy Pocket is about a feisty young maid with a big responsibility. After being sacked by her old mistress, Ivy finds herself stuck in the middle of*

*Paris. She is called to the dying Duchess of Trinity's bedside. She is entrusted with the clock diamond, a mysterious diamond that is thought to have mystical powers. She is told to give it to the spoiled Matilda, the Duchess of Trinity's friend's granddaughter. She thinks that it will be easy, but it proves harder than it seems. She makes new friends, finds out secrets and finds herself in terrible danger on this epic adventure.*

*I loved this book because it was funny one minute, but exciting the other. I would recommend this book to people aged 8+ that like adventure and exciting books.*

**Susie Bridges, age 12**

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**Daisy Theobald, age 12**

***The more I read it the more I didn't want it to finish. I would give the book a 10/10.***

*I loved this book it was full of action and it was a really easy to read. I was quite upset when it finished because it was hard to find another book and get into it. If a sequel comes out I will be sure to pre-order it. Ivy comes across as quite annoying at first but you grow to like her a lot. I have already recommend it to my friends. The necklace is so well described that you get a very detailed picture of it in your mind.*

**Oliver Nicholls, age 10**

***I like the book, it was very mysterious.***

*This book is a great book. It never gets boring to read as whenever you turn the page you know that another exciting thing is going to happen. My favorite part is when she meets 'Duchess of Trinity.' The reason that is my favorite part is because the Duchess gives Ivy 'The clock diamond.' I think 'Anyone But Ivy*

*Pocket' is a great book for anybody who likes a mysterious but funny book' I would recommend this to other people.*

**Cait Galbraith, age 9**

***Prepare to meet the clumsy but funny Ivy Pocket - Ivy Pocket will take you on daring adventures so hold on tight.***

*The Duchess of Trinity asks Ivy Pocket to deliver a diamond necklace with the clear instruction not to wear it, Ivy needs to keep it safe and hand it over to Matilda Butterfield. Ivy Pocket cannot resist such temptation and wears the necklace. Wearing it leads Ivy Pocket to some shocking truths of her past.*

*This book was so good it encouraged me to pick up reading again.*

*I would recommend this book to girls aged 8-11years.*

*A really great read I would rate it 10/10.*

**Lucy Streeter, age 10**

***This book is all about mystery and adventure...Ivy Pocket is a ball of fire!***

*For £500 Ivy Pocket agrees to take a priceless diamond to a half-wit Matilda Butterfield. But in doing so she gets more than she wanted...*

*Because Ivy is always travelling to new places and meeting new people I found it hard to keep track of what was going on. I do not normally read books like this but it was interesting to try it out. I would recommend this book to fans of Michael Morpurgo and Jacqueline Wilson as it is quite fast moving and jumps from place to place. The ending is sad and you feel like Ivy will miss Miss Frost. I would rate this book 3 out of 5.*