

LoveReading4kids Reader reviews of Catch Your Death Part of the Ruby Redfort series by Lauren Child

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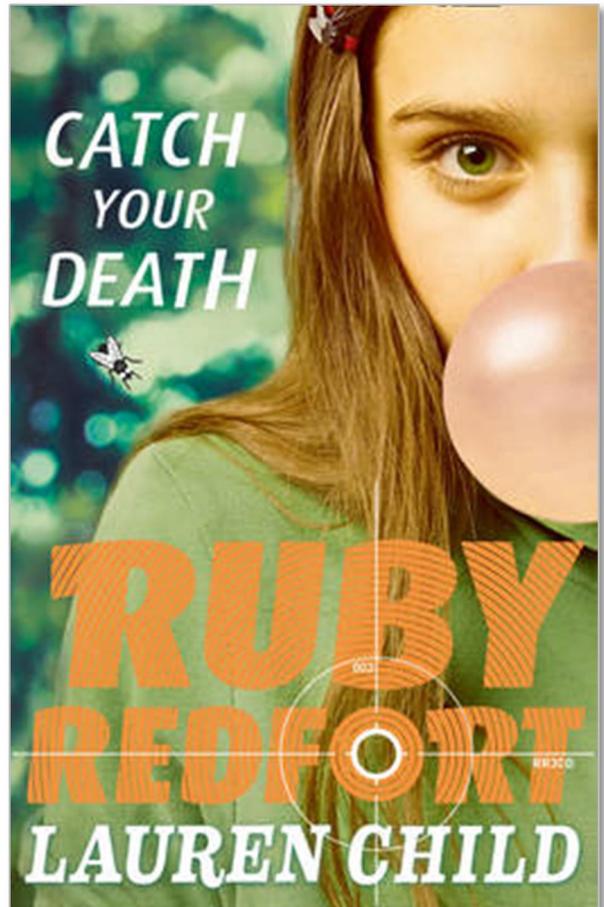
Adiella Norridge, age 10

A brilliant book of adventures and thrills, an exciting addition to the 'Ruby Redfort' series.

I am a big fan of Ruby Redfort and I loved this book, the third in the series. Ruby is an ordinary school girl turned code-cracking agent. In this adventure, she is hunting down the figure behind the release of dangerous animals into her home community of Twinford. But this mystery is not as straightforward as it seems: Ruby faces challenging decisions and a test of her survival skills.

My favourite things about 'Ruby Redfort' books are Ruby's unique way of speaking, her determination and the sense of adventure that Lauren Child brings to the books. I love the cool gadgets Ruby has throughout the books to solve the mysteries, such as Hitch's toaster that sends messages.

I would recommend reading the first two 'Ruby Redfort' books before you read this one, as they will give you a wider view of the characters and their personalities.



Imogen Fisher, age 13

In the past I have read other books by Lauren Child so I was quite excited when I received 'Catch your Death'. It definitely lived up to my expectations, and was engaging and very entertaining. I think the fact that little drawings and survival tips made the book even more interesting.

I think the plot was good, and I found some parts very exciting and tense to read. Even though the main character, Ruby, is a spy and is only 13 it is still kept quite realistic because of her best friend Clancy, who helps show that Ruby still has problems like school as well as her secret missions.

*In my opinion **the book was very good, well written, and different to other books I have read.** It was quite slow paced to start off but by the end I was completely gripped. I would recommend this book to all my friends.*

Daisy Robinson-Beesley, age 14

I love this series as it really allows me to relate to an exciting topic!

*Ruby Redfort is a top undercover agent with a slightly tarnished reputation, mainly due to the fact that she is only 13! In the third book of the series, she learns to let go of her intelligence and just use her gut. She also finds out how useful a loyal friend can be and not to doubt anything, even if it sounds impossible. I love this book as it is really exciting- even as I was on the last few chapters my heart was still racing with tension and excitement! As well as this it was really unpredictable, which just added to the tension as you did not know what was around the corner! However, even with all these factors, my favourite aspect was that Ruby Redfort is just a teenage girl, so it was easy to relate to her problems. Also, if you were wondering, these books are based on the 'Ruby Redfort' books which are frequently mentioned in the 'Clarice Bean' chapter books (also written by Lauren Child). **All in all this is one of the best books I have ever read and I have been quick to recommend it to all my friends!***

Imogen Bartin, age 9

*A great book, a little scary at points and I didn't like the bits about Lorelei von Leydon but in the end they all linked together. **Really exiting, once I got my head stuck into it I couldn't get it out.***

'Catch your Death' is a wonderful book filled with adventure. It was weird how

some people can seem really nice but turn out horrid in the end. The book was full of twists and turns, I couldn't guess what was coming next.

I'd love to read the whole series and I especially liked the bubble gum scented Advertisement, that was really cool.

Lucy Minton, age 10

A great adventure story perfect for any would be spy.

*'Ruby Redfort: Catch Your Death' was a thrilling read.. What young girl hasn't dreamt of being a spy? Ruby Redfort is a genius when it comes to survival know-how: She has read every book on the subject. But, frustratingly, she is told by everyone that she must use her instincts. When she, and her best friend Clancy Crew, are thrown into peril she must put all her training into action and find a way to escape a terrible death. I loved this book because it was funny yet exciting. As Ruby helped her friend Clancy out of trouble again and again she grew closer to danger. I couldn't help loving the plot. Another great thing was the mystery. I found myself trying to work out whodunit all throughout. **This book is amazing. I loved it.***

Maddy Faulkner, age 11

*Undercover agent, code-cracker and thirteen-year-old genius - there's nothing average about Ruby Redfort. In the third chapter of this set of mind blowing books, it's an adventure in the wild, and it'll take all Ruby's got just to survive...When something goes wrong on Ruby Redfort's survival task, (she gets lost and risks her life), LB, her boss isn't too thrilled and threatens to restrain her to cracking codes at HQ unless she solves the mystery of the Blue Cyan Wolf. Tiger's stroll around Twinford City and when her house keeper finds some jewels (thought to be faux) they turn out to be a lot more valuable than she imagined them to be... **This is a funny and wild book – you meet a host of characters; some who will make you laugh, others who will make you shiver and a few you empathise with.** I like Ruby's mother's character, Sabrina, who nags Ruby all day about her sense of style telling her yet again to take off one of her sassy quoted T-shirts. Another favourite is Hitch the butler, who can print top secret spy-related messages onto pieces of toast- soon to be devoured by the heroine of the story. In this book you will either envy Ruby or feel lucky you aren't her...*

Daisy Pritchard-Williams, age 10

I really liked the 'Ruby Redfort' book because it was really exciting. I love the way that you sort of knew what was going to happen, and sort of didn't. My favourite character was of course Ruby. I think that Madam Swann wasn't very trustworthy at the beginning because she looked nervous and a bit like she didn't want to be there. I also think that Ruby's parents weren't mentioned that much.

My favourite bit of the story was when Ruby let the Cyan Wolf out of it's box and it attacked everybody and then when she ran with it to the forest. I also liked the bit when Ruby realised everything because up till then it got a bit complicated.

I thought it was a really good book.

Hannah Baer, age 10

*This book is about a girl called Ruby who has lots of exciting events in her life as she is an agent. **This book is really exciting because it has lots of action and is really funny.** I really enjoyed reading this because it is not getting boring reading lots of the books from the same series. I would recommend this book to lots of my friends as I like adventure stories. Out of 10, I would say this book is 8 1/2.*

Jennifer Bridgeman, age 9

Jen was breathless reading this latest adventure featuring Ruby Redfort and her trusty sidekick, Clancy Crew. Does not disappoint!

'Ruby Redfort' was how Jenny got into the detective genre, she started with 'Charlie and Lola', progressed through 'Calrice Bean' then onto 'Ruby', Ms Childs' latest and greatest creation. The book is not just thrilling but contains enough codes to keep a nine year old amateur sleuth happy for hours!

Ella Day, age 11

*'Catch Your Death' **captures your mind and transports you into a world that you could never imagine.** The action that takes place doesn't let go and you find yourself not being able to put the book down. I've never read a 'Ruby Redfort' before, but now I'm glad I did as it was so interesting and gripping. I highly recommend this book.*

Heather Greenan, age 10

Great for kids who love adventure and mystery in a book!

Ruby Redfort is a great book and good for confident readers, as it is quite hard to understand and is very long. I would give the book 9/10 and I think the age rating would be 10+. I love 'Clarice Bean' and this even though they are really different styles of book.

My favourite character in the book was Clancy Crew because he is such a loyal friend and just like Ruby he loves an adventure. I also like Hitch, Ruby's butler, because he has the knack of showing up when you need help!

Overall I thought Ruby Redfort was a brilliant book!

Jessica Loxton

I thought the book was good.

I thought the book was good. It was very interesting . It was funny when it said Ruby's boots were sweating. it was scary in some bits. It got a bit boring in some bits. In some of the book I worked out the mysteries. I found some of the words tricky, maybe it was for older children as I am 7. I found some of it hard to read.