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Tom Falconer is in trouble. Pursued by the notorious criminal Ratsey, Tom soon finds himself alone and hungry on the streets of London. Luckily enough, the mysterious Dr. Mobius soon recruits Tom to play an important role in a play to be performed in front of Queen Elizabeth. Tom knows there's something not right about Mobius, but he's willing to take a risk in order to keep his neck out of Ratsey's murderous hands. Little does Tom realize that Mobius's dark secret will trap him in the middle of an international conspiracy, holding the fate of the English empire in his hands.

The Devil and His Boy Details

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Fayyaz Ahmed says

A short read, one I never really thought I would read, but I gave it a shot. The ending was quite gruesome with the heads on spikes and all. Anyway it was a nice and frankly quite simple book to finish. I zoomed pass this book, because of all the note taking and everything. After finishing it, I realized this could be a book I take notes on in the future, as it has a deeper meaning. Truth. All in all it was a good book, a fun read, and I recommend it to people who want something simple but at the same time complex.

Enrique Escalona says

Cet ouvrage est très documenté (ne serait-ce que sur les bandits de grand chemin, Gamaliel Ratsey tient un rôle important dans l'intrigue) et peut facilement donner envie de poursuivre ses lectures par les grands classiques du théâtre de l'époque.

Ouvrage à part dans la bibliographie d'Horowitz puisqu'un de ses seuls romans historiques, il l'est aussi d'un point de vue stylistique, même si l'on retrouve son talent pour les scènes d'action.

Ahmad Sharabiani says

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Mohamed Yahia says

"The Devil and His Boy" is a good book for several reasons. First, I find this book good because its about a queen that was sleeping and then she went through a secret passage. I love stories with secret passages. Second, I find this book good because their is a magician who tells the queen of England secrets that he can see in his magic ball. i love magic and adventures. These are the reasons why i think this book is good.

I gave the book "The Devil and his Boy" 3 stars for several reasons. First, I gave this book three stars because they still didn't get into the adventure. My favorite part of all books is the adventure. Second, I gave this book 3 stars because the book just started so I still don't know a lot about it. If I don't know a lot about the book then I cant get into the book that much. These are the reasons why I gave this book 3 stars.

I like whats happening in this book for several reasons. First, I like whats happening in the book because their is a wizard cat, that can talk. A talking cat is weird, and i love weird things. Second, I like whats

happening in this book because the queen asks the wizard to tell a very private secret that know one in the world knows. I like books that have private secrets. Those are the reasons why I like whats happening in this book.

I also don't like this book for several reasons. First, I don't like this book because when the queen asks the wizard to reveal the secret, their is so much suspense. When their is too much suspense, I just want to break the book in half. Second, I don't like this book because sometimes the person who is talking doesn't get to his point. When the person who is talking doesn't get to his point, the story becomes confusing. Those are the reasons why I don't like this book.

This book is very scary for several reasons. First, the adventure was very scary. It was scary because tom and the queen were going to die. Second, in this book a lot of people get hanged and killed. For example, in the end of the book, they show the five heads to Tom and that is very scary. Those are the reasons why this book is very scary.

I added to stars of rating for several reasons. First, I added this book two stars because the adventure started. The adventure of this book was pure scariness. Second, I added this book two stars because it became so exciting. When a book becomes so exciting you cant put it down. Those are the reasons why i added two stars to this book.

Lync Lync says

Excellent Historical YA fantasy from a master storyteller

Boy says

"The Devil and His Boy" is one of the best and most outstanding books. I really love all of the drama and action between Ratsey chasing Tom Falconed. From a scale of 1 out of 10, i rate it an 11. If I had 7 dollars laying around in my pocket, guess what I would do, buy this book because it helps ,me escape my reality.

Susan says

Fun tale, written with real historical persons and atmosphere. This is an adventure from cover to cover and I think any younger person would enjoy spending the afternoon with this tale. I enjoyed it!

Lyric says

I picked 4 stars for this book because I really enjoyed reading it. Someone else should read this book because it shows that no matter where you came from you can always reach your goals and do what you want to do in life. Some parts of this book did upset me because it was upsetting how Tom grew up and how he got treated. But I was happy when Moll started helping out Tom. Something that would make this book better is in the end telling if Tom and Moll got closer or fell off.

Linda says

Tämä oli kyllä hyvin tyypillinen Horowitzin kirja, ja sen vuoksi se olikin oikein hyvä. Takakannen teksti on vähän liian spoilaava, koska se paljasti tapahtumia melkein loppuun saakka. Lastenosastolta löytyväksi kirjaksi tämä on ehkä turhan raaka... voin kuvitella että jotkut 9-13 -vuotiaat voivat vähän ahdistua tästä kirjasta. Itsekin vähäsen ahdistuin. Mutta toisaalta on ihan Horowitzin tyylistä ripotella kirjaan vähän ahdistavia kohtauksia. Horowitz on edelleen yksi lempikirjailijoistani, ja on ihan mielettömän harmi ettei puoliakaan hänen kirjoista ole suomennettu ja hänen sarjojaan on jätetty suomentamatta kesken :(

Kirjan suomenkielinen nimi on muuten Kohtalon kummipoika.

16pedreiraj says

adventure/thriller

i think this book could be a horror or a more of a thriller it has the effort to do that but it was a shame that they didn't put more thriller or horror

Rogério says

This story looks like a movie script. It is set in the 1600 in England. I like the plot and also the afterword chapter which is very funny.

specially I like the sentence "I put some mistakes in the book to make the teachers happy" (since the book is meant to teach some facts from the 1600 by means of this story).

Molly's Sister says

A good book but not my favorite book.

Noelle Rohovit says

I originally chose to read this book to meet some requirements for a project. However, it immediately went from reading this for a grade to reading it for enjoyment. This book captures you from the first page. I would recommend this book pretty much to anyone who likes all the ugly qualities sometimes found in books. There's a little bit of everything: deceiving, suspense, murder, rivalry, plotting and lying. It really is a book no one should want to read, based on moral conscience but ends up becoming addicted to because it goes against that very reason. I also would recommend this book to anyone who likes history. While the events in this book aren't necessarily true, most of the characters are, which adds a layer of depth to this book. In a future classroom of mine, I would definitely teach this book in relation to history. I would have my students research before hand the 16th century and make a list of some of the qualities of that time period. Then I'd have them decide afterwards what was true in the book and what wasn't. Once the book was over, I'd further my students understanding as they researched a character from the book, noting the truths Horowitz maintained in the book. I think it would be a fantastic way to teach history without putting everyone to sleep.

Warning:

- Drugs: N/A
- Sex: N/A
- Language: 2 H words, 1 D word
- Violence/Gore: In the beginning, 2 characters who have suffered from the Pox are disturbingly described. There is killings and torturing described rather grotesquely. At one point, a man wishes to saw off a boy's legs.

*Rock and Roll: The whole story creates this sense of paranoia and urgency. To some readers, this may be rather stressful.

*All of these things help set the setting for the book.

Rachel says

A fun book to read aloud with my 7 and 10 year olds. This book is a little "edgier" (scarier?) than some children's lit, but I love the real historical characters and references and the attempt to (somewhat) accurately place it in the Middle Ages.

Turkan Taskin says

I can always rely on Anthony Horowitz to write an entertaining book. I wouldn't say *Devil* is my favourite book by him, but it was so **fun**. I love how Horowitz describes every character in such a detailed, original way that they become more believable and you love/hate them even more (usually the latter). Although I found it quite predictable (hence the three-star rating), I was actually pretty invested in the story. It's a very short, fast-paced novel, and I would definitely recommend it to younger readers, especially those whom enjoy historical-mystery type books.
