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A new rival emerges from the heart of evil . . . Kale's enthusiasm for their recent victory falls short as he soon discovers that things are not as he had assumed. Someone lurks near, following Kale's every move. As Kale and his friends move forward on their journey, they are oblivious to a terrible threat that watches—waiting for the perfect moment to strike. Hearts will be put to the test . . . steel will clash . . . dark secrets revealed. In this battle through darkness, who will live to see dawn's light? For one—death is imminent . . .

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Jeffrey A. Dewey says

Awesome

Awesome read with a surprising ending as the fight consumates between the realms of good versus evil and love deceives.

Terresa Mitchell says

Emotional

A roller coaster of emotion. Adventure and magic. True love and some not so true. A brilliant second book. Very enjoyable.

Deborah Isner says

In the sequel to chronicles of Kale, the human/dragon are hunting for 3 dragon eggs, believed to have been lost for all time. Yet numerous side plots and adventures, along with the building (since book 1) fact that Kale is actually able to access some of the powers he had as a dragon. Throughout this book Kale is still a very impatient, hothead; just as most teenagers can be & how I would assume a teenage dragon would act. He comes off brass, sometimes just downright rude, yet has also learned kindness & compassion.

The story progresses, and Kale & his friends learn that the unpenetrable prison Jedah was placed in was broken into, allowing Jedah to escape to his true master. Although sometimes rambling, eventually most of the side stories and quests are brought together, each for a purpose. It is obvious from the beginning that The book will end with Kale confronting Jedah, and in a way this is true. However in the last 3-5 pages you learn Jedah was nothing but a pawn, and the chess game has now truly begun.

I greatly enjoyed this book almost as much as the first. The only issue I had was learning of a person named Morgana at the end. The way the character is introduced makes it seem like they have crossed paths previously and that she should not be completely unknown. Now I may have missed a few things here and there, but do not remember this character. I did a search in each of the 2 books for the name Morgana and came up empty. I guess everything was fairly wrapped up so neatly in the first book the author felt the need for a larger cliffhanger in book 2. I completely agree, I just don't like a new character being introduced in a way that seems like the reader should already have background knowledge for, but maybe I will have to re-read the series just to be sure.

The author continues with a largely conversational format, with only enough details in the sights around their settings for you to get a vague idea of it. To me, this makes perfect sense, as most true YA fiction seems to follow this route. Look at The Series of Unfortunate Events books, as most of the time they follow a similar structure, a dialog driven plot.

Too all those who give these books bad reviews, and I've noticed virtually all of you are grown-ups, read the stories again while thinking like a student between 5th & 9th grade. If you have children at or near these ages, pick up a couple different books of theirs. You will see many examples of the more simplified writing style most YA novels are written with. They are the true audience and a book in the YA category can not expect to match true adult literature.

Tor-Ole Hansen says

I enjoyed this book as much as the first one. Simple read, good enough story though predictable in places.

Max Frampton says

Book 2 really took off from where Book 1 ends extremely well. Kale and Neelan develop into quite great characters. I can't wait to start the 3rd and final book to find out what happens in the end...

Bronté says

This book was just as enjoyable as the first one, if not a little more. I read the book fairly quickly because it was so easy to immerse myself in the story. The story is pretty straightforward in such that Kale and company are out to kill Jedah who manages to escape the Frost Elves' prison, while also attempting to salvage the three remaining dragon eggs left in the world.

Or at least it should be straightforward, but obstacles keep popping up in the group's way. At first their twists and different encounters with other races and clans seems randomized, but they all come together at the end with the final battle which was pretty awesome! Something I gotta give props to the author for; the fight scenes are a good balance of action, description, and gore.

My two favorites are Kale and Illadar, Kale for being the hero and yet a stubborn, hotheaded jackass who is quick to forget the lessons he's learned along the way, but it makes sense for how old he is. I like that he isn't this wise dragon but just a kid that didn't grow up with parents, and now has the weight of the world on his shoulders. And I like Illadar for his one-liners and his back story, he's just an overall favorite of mine.

The ending wasn't the cliffhanger that the first book destroyed me internally with, but it was still incredibly emotional. I won't give spoilers but I pretty much had the same open-mouthed, wide-eyed reaction that I had with the first book, if not worse.

I think my only issue with this novel is Neelan's character. I do like her personality on a whole but by description I get that she's independent and powerful, but it doesn't match up with how much she end up in trouble. I know this is a novel for young adult fantasy, but for how awesome she's written as in the story, I wish she could hold her own a little more. But that's the tiny gripe I have with an overall good story.

Can't wait til book three!

