

H.R. HOBBS BOOKS



H. R. Hobbs is the pen name of Heather Hobbs, Amazon- bestselling author of a series of com- passionate and empowering stories for middle-grade readers.

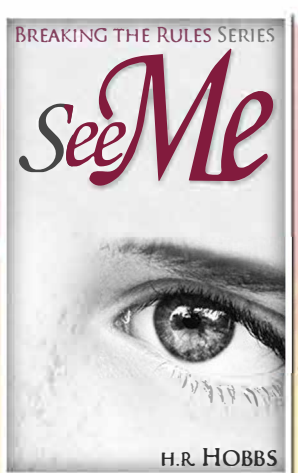
As an introvert who spent most of middle school with her nose stuck in a book, Heather empathizes with her young readers, and her mission is to ensure that they recognize and relate to her characters' struggles with typical middle school issues such as belonging, friendship, and bullying. The first two books in her Breaking the Rules series, See Me and Hear Me, have received five-star reviews from Readers' Favorite Book Reviews in the Young Adult category.

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A lifelong learner and teacher with a fascination for people's stories, Hobbs challenged herself to write in 2015 as a retirement project. She believes we all have a story to tell and encourages writers of all ages to find their voice, speak their truth and tell their story.

Recently, she began art lessons with the hopes of illustrating her own children's books in the future.

Heather is the mother to three grown sons (who shake their heads at her antics) and grand- mother to three little darlings. She resides with her husband in the small prairie town where she was born and raised.

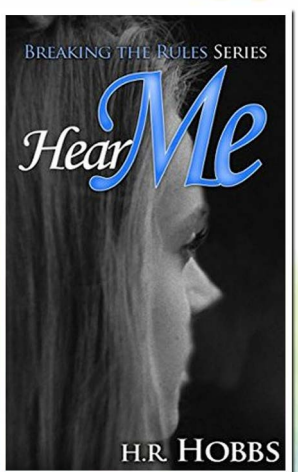


Hannah follows the rules, always. The rules at school. The rules at home. But what people don't know is that Hannah has her own rules. They protect her. Keep her in-visible.

And they work until Chip Cavanagh arrives at her school.

Chip doesn't have rules. Hannah learns that being friends with Chips means she can't be invis-ible any longer.

See Me is the first book in the insightful Breaking the Rules Series for young adult novels.

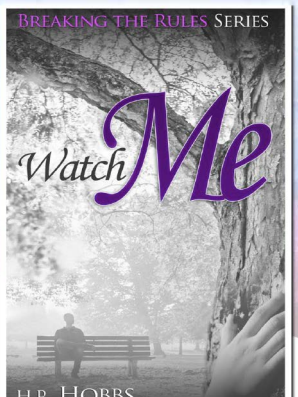


When a bully targets her friends, can one girl find the courage to speak up?

Hannah thought her bully problems would end after her day in court. But her testimony against Brady and his lenient punishment only made him hungry for revenge. As the new school year begins, Hannah and her friends find themselves in the crosshairs of Brady's cruel pranks ...

When her friends are punished unfairly, Hannah is determined to clear their good names. But as Brady's scheme becomes more elaborate and dangerous, Hannah can't help but feel terrified. In the face of hatred and abuse, can Hannah find the courage to speak up for what's right?

Hear Me is the second book in the Breaking the Rules Series.

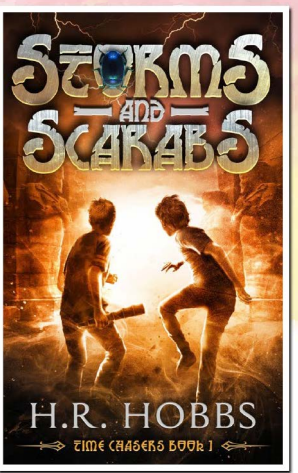


It's Hannah against the town!

Hannah knows what it feels like to be an outsider. Disturbed by how her town treats a homeless man named Ben, she's determined to help. When Ben is arrested for a string of robberies, Hannah sets out to prove his innocence. Now she's up against a fishy politician, judgmental neighbours and her parents, who just don't understand. With the help of her friend Chip, she uncovers a political scandal with Ben as the pawn, and her small town may never be the same.

Can Hannah prove Ben is innocent and bring her town back together?

"Watch Me" is a thought-provoking contemporary middle grade novel. If you like courageous girls, memorable characters, and small town mysteries, then you'll love H.R. Hobbs' inspiring book.



A spyglass. A rare amulet. An ancient prophecy. Trapped in the past.

Moving to his grandfather's farm was the last thing Mitch Howell wanted, but his parents did it anyway. Left on his own, Mitch sneaks into the attic of his grandfather's house and discovers a spyglass. Curious about the spyglass and its connection to his loony great-grandpa, he doesn't realize it's really a portal to the past and the key to an ancient prophecy until it's too late. Thrown back in time to Ancient Egypt with his best friend, Brock, the boys are on a quest to find their way home. But they aren't the only ones who know the powers of the spyglass.

Can Mitch and Brock get home before the spyglass falls into the wrong hands and changes the world forever?

Awards: Reader's Favourite Bronze Winner 2020 in the Children's Action Category



Readers' Favorite
Book Reviews and Award Contest



Reviewed by Liz Konkel for Readers' Favorite

Storms and Scarabs by HR Hobbs is the first book in the Time Chaser series. Mitch's whole life has been uprooted when his family moves to his grandpa's farm. He's not looking for a friend or to settle in there when he meets Brock on the bus and is quickly taken under his new friend's wing. After he searches through the attic, he uncovers a diary and spyglass that belonged to his great-grandpa. He quickly discovers this is the key to the past when it sends him and his new friend through a portal back in time to ancient Egypt. They make new friends and must fit in with their new environment while they search for a way home. Their plans are forced to change when the pharaoh's son dies and he requests Mitch's presence at the palace. This allows him to discover a prophecy and to learn of the High Priest's interest in the spyglass. He and his friend must stay a step ahead if they're ever going to find a way back to their own time.

HR Hobbs delivers a fast-paced adventure through time as two boys stumble into the past and struggle to find their way home. A coming of age journey is at the root of the story as Mitch struggles with several changes in his life, from living in a new place to going to a new school to forming a new friendship. The story has a strong connection to history which goes deeper than just through the time travel. Mitch digs up his family's history when he uncovers the diary, which allows him to learn about where he came from and helps him connect on a deeper level to his family.

The journey to ancient Egypt is full of action and suspense, leaving you wondering if they're going to make it home or if they're going to get caught. The mystery is a key element of the story as the trip into the past opens a deeper mystery that involves the High Priest and this mysterious spyglass. The story has a primarily light tone with humorous moments but also has plenty of heart throughout and genuine growth for Mitch. Children will be immediately captivated by ancient Egypt and a time travel adventure that will allow them to explore the history of a stunning and fascinating place. Storms and Scarabs is a delightful read that blends time travel, mystery, humor, friendship, and coming of age in an action-packed adventure.



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