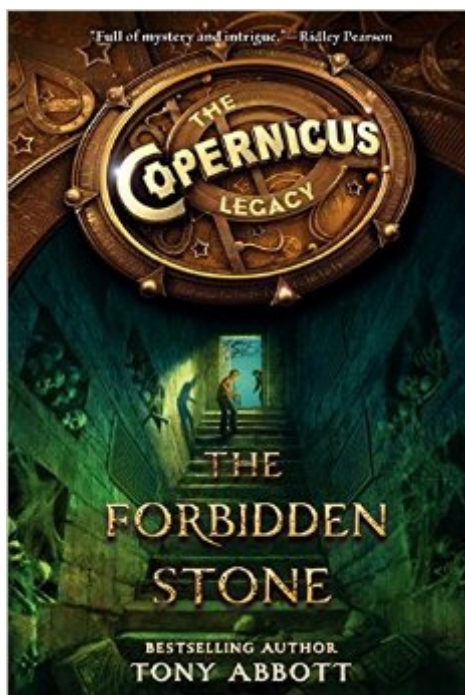


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The Copernicus Legacy: The Forbidden Stone



Synopsis

Bestselling author Tony Abbott's epic new middle grade series, the Copernicus Legacy, begins with *The Forbidden Stone*, a thrilling adventure packed with puzzles, intrigue, and action. Fans of Rick Riordan and Ridley Pearson will love this first book in an exciting series that takes the reader all over the globe in a race to find pieces of a mysterious hidden past "before it's too late." Wade, Lily, Darrell, and Becca fly from Texas to Germany for the funeral of an old family friend. But instead of just paying their respects, they wind up on a dangerous, mind-blowing quest to unlock an ancient, guarded secret that could destroy the fate of the world. Supports the Common Core State Standards

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Age Range: 8 - 12 years

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Customer Reviews

Actual rating: 4.5 stars This review first appeared on Thoughts and Pens book blog. After reading two uninspiring MG books for the last couple of weeks, I thought that *The Forbidden Stone* would be no better especially that the blurb said, "Rick Riordan meets Dan Brown in this exhilarating and adventurous new tween series from beloved and bestselling author Tony Abbott." And you know what usually happens when a book is marketed as "the next blah blah" or "this book is a cross between PJO and the DaVinci Code." The latter made things more complicated because I happen to love Rick Riordan and Dan Brown's works and I really hate to be disappointed.

Fortunately, this book delivered. It may not be as brilliant as the Robert Langdon or the PJO series, it managed to hold on its own. The story of The Forbidden Stone began when Wade and Darell received a strange coded message from their enigmatic uncle, Henry. After deciphering the message, weird things are suddenly happening and before they knew it, Wade, Darell, Roald (their father), Lily (their cousin) and Becca were already drag into a 500 year old guarded secret that might just be the undoing of the world. And they must hurry to ensure that the said secretâ “which has already claimed livesâ “will remain one forever. I love that this book lived up to its blurb. Though the characters still need some polishing, I canâ™t deny the fact that theyâ™re adorable. Wade and Darell are stepbrothers but theyâ™re really close which is kind of rare in books these days because most authors would follow the other path wherein they pit step siblings against each other. Then we also have the two girls who were not the so-so heroines and actually contributed to solve and protect the mystery of The Forbidden Stone.

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