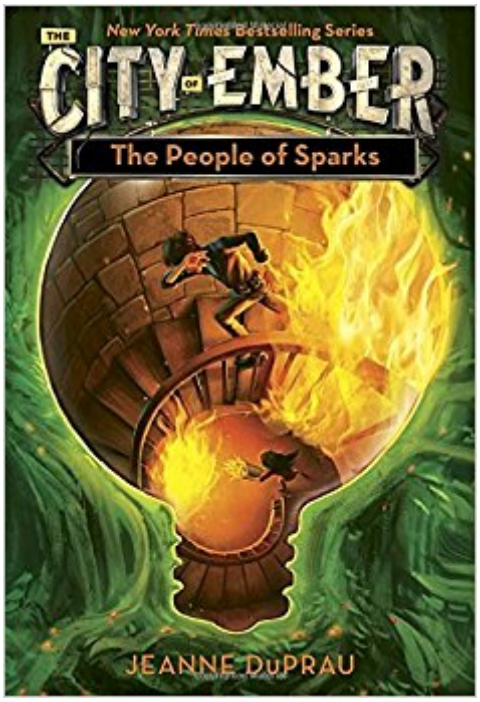
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Synopsis

A modern-day classic. This highly acclaimed adventure series about two friends desperate to save their doomed city has captivated kids and teachers alike for almost fifteen years and has sold over 3.5Ã Â MILLION copies! Ã Â Lina and Doon have led the citizens of Ember to an exciting new world. When they discover a village called Sparks, they are welcomed, fed, and given places to sleep. But the townÃ¢â ¬â„¢s resources are limited and it isnÃ¢â ¬â„¢t long before resentment begins to grow between the two groups. When mysterious acts of vandalism cause tempers to erupt, putting everyoneÃ¢â ¬â„¢s lives in danger, itÃ¢â ¬â„¢s up to our two heroes to find the courage to stop the conflict and bring peace. Ã Â Praise for the City of Ember books: Ã Â Nominated to 28 State Award Lists! An American Library Association Notable ChildrenÃ¢â ¬â„¢s Book A New York Public Library 100 Titles for Reading and Sharing Selection A Kirkus Reviews EditorsÃ¢â ¬â„¢ Choice A Child Magazine Best ChildrenÃ¢â ¬â„¢s Book A Mark Twain Award Winner A William Allen White ChildrenÃ¢â ¬â„¢s Book Award Winner Ã Â Ã¢â ¬Å“A realistic post-apocalyptic world. DuPrauÃ¢â ¬â„¢s book leaves Doon and Lina on the verge of undiscovered country and readers wanting more.Ã¢â ¬Â• Ã¢â ¬â •USA Today Ã Â Ã¢â ¬Å“An electric debut.Ã¢â ¬Â• Ã¢â ¬â •Publishers Weekly, Starred Ã Â Ã¢â ¬Å“While Ember is colorless and dark, the book itself is rich with description.Ã¢â ¬Â• Ã¢â ¬â •VOYA, Starred

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Customer Reviews

When teenagers Lina Mayfleet and Doon Harrow lead their people up out of the Earth, fleeing their dying underground city of Ember, everything is new and a little frightening to the refugees--the sun and the moon, birds, trees, fire…and the people of Ember are strange to the 322 citizens of Sparks, one of the few towns on Earth to survive the time of The Disaster. How can they feed and house the 400 Emberites, the leaders of Sparks wonder, when they have just begun to be able to feed themselves comfortably? But if they don’t, these underground people with no survival skills will surely die in the wastelands. They take them in as best they can, but grumbling and bad feeling grows on both sides. Lina returns from a failed search for her persistent vision of a city of light to find the town, egged on by the power-hungry young thug Tick, once again at the point of war, forgetting how the Earth has been destroyed before. But Lina has seen the devastation left by The Disaster, and so she risks a brave move of reconciliation, and when Doon exposes Tick’s trickery, the two sides join as the new people of Sparks. In this exciting and solidly constructed sequel to The City of Ember, Jeanne DuPrau moves the story on entrancingly, bringing along her cast of characters from underground and adding new dimensions and relationships as the action escalates to a satisfying conclusion that still allows for further volumes in this fine fantasy. (Ages 10 to 14) --Patty Campbell --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

Grade 4 9-In this sequel to The City of Ember (Random, 2003), DuPrau continues the adventures of Lina and Doon, who have led the 400 residents from the underground city of Ember to the unfamiliar world above. The refugees are tentatively welcomed, housed, and fed by the people of Sparks, located near the wasteland left by the long-ago Disaster that destroyed most of civilization. Conflicts arise between the two groups, mainly due to the differences between the sheltered, electric-powered life in Ember and the low-tech, farming-based existence in Sparks. As conflicts and violence escalate, Lina explores the wasteland and Doon finds himself caught up in the rhetoric of the militaristic and charismatic Tick. A dramatic conclusion brings the characters together and gives hope for the future of both groups, resolving the current conflicts but leaving room for future adventures. While remaining true to her characters and the building tension of the story, DuPrau clearly explores themes of nonviolence and when to stand up for oneself. The text smoothly involves new readers and fans of the first story, creating a range of three-dimensional characters in

both the Ember and Sparks groups. While less gritty and mechanical than Philip Reeve's Mortal Engines (HarperCollins, 2003), and more interpersonal than Lois Lowry's The Giver (1993) and Gathering Blue (2000, both Houghton), this title will hold a similar appeal for readers who enjoy speculative fiction. This novel will make them stop and think, and its immediacy and drive make it a good choice for even reluctant readers.Beth L. Meister, Yeshiva of Central Queens, Flushing, NYCopyright Ã Â© Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

This is a book that my students asked for! We just finished reading the City of Ember as a class pleasure read, and the kids asked if we could buy the second book in the series. It is a small group reading class with middle school students being served in special education. Of course if they ask for a book I'm going to buy it for them! There are five students in the class, which means that I can buy One Kindle version of this novel and download it onto all five of their class kindle fires for everyone to read. I love seeing kids excited about books! I highly recommend the City of Ember series for upper elementary and middle school age kids. They love this dystopian novel series, and it makes for interesting class discussions and activities.

This is a post apolyptic story as told through the eyes of a 12 year old. I read this 6-7 years ago with my daughter. It's still on my Kindle so I decided to read the series again. Wow, it really is relevant to what's going on in the world today! The People of Ember are now refugees seeking a new home. Our world is full of refugees now trying to find countries that will take them in. They are strange to us. We are afraid of them. We worry about the welfare of our own people. Sometimes there doesn't seem to be a right or wrong answer to the questions of this world crisis;. A crisis that has seems to hit every generation within my lifetime. This series may help children, or anyone, to understand both sides of the situation. Read togetherÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â it could open up a great dialogue between a parent and child about our current world problems on a level that they can understand.

This is a great continuation of the Lina's and Doon's story - you really NEED to know where the people of Ember find themselves. I'm reading this series to my 9 year old as a bedtime story and it's gripping yet not too scary or graphic. Great series.

I have seen the City Of Ember Movie. I searched for the book because you always know that the book has more information than the movie. Am I right? Well I found it and read it. It was terrific! Also

it had more information than the movie. Well I just randomly selected a book and guess what... It said the people of sparks.EMBER2I was so happy..and it’s really good....I’m gonna get all of them thanks please read the book

The People of Sparks, the second book in the Book of Ember series, written by Jeanne DuPrau has won the New York Times Bestselling Author award. The book tells the story of the Emberites coming into the new world, learning about the new world, and after a long journey finding a small town called Sparks. The world they come into is filled with equality and uniformity brought on by the struggles to rebuild. Societies have differences and will run into problems, they must overcome these differences and overcome the troubles they run into or be destroyed. We first meet our characters once again at the mouth of the cave they came out of. Lina and Doon were waiting and hoping that the message they threw down to the city was read. A day passed and just before Lina and Doon were going to give up the first people started to show up. When all of the citizens had come they started off. They only saw one road, so they started on it. The people saw so many new and confusing things; again and again they stopped to study a tree or sometimes a squirrel or bird. They had no idea what any of these things were, but they kept walking. While walking LinaÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â„¢s little sister Poppy became extremely ill along with many other citizens. It became evident that if they didnÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â„¢t find some kind of town Poppy and many others would die. Considering this they started walking even faster and before they knew it they were gazing upon a small town. The citizens of Ember marched into the town as the town leaders were coming to meet them. They talked to the town leaders for a while and the town leaders agreed to let them stay and teach them how to survive so they could build their own town. It was just their luck that a doctor lived in the town; the doctor took all of the sick to have medical attention. She started with the youngest and worked her way up treating everyone but Poppy. She didnÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â„¢t know what was wrong with Poppy so she took Poppy, Lina, and her grandmother in so that she could watch over Poppy. The Emberites soon began working and learning. One day while Lina was sweeping a house she heard the footsteps of oxen and the voice of many people shouting with joy. It was Caspar the person that Lina had been hearing a lot about. Caspar had returned for a short time to give some gifts that he picked up while traveling. Soon though he left and without Doon knowing Lina had gone with him. While Lina was traveling things at Sparks werenÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â„¢t going too well, they were running out of food, the people of Ember couldnÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â„¢t get enough work done, and the two towns differences were threatening to ruin everything. The leaders of Sparks didnÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â„¢t know what to do except for give the Emberites a deadline. The

Emberites had six months to learn how to survive before the leaders would make them leave. The Emberites did not like this and thought that the people of Sparks were being selfish. The only way they could think to resolve the problem and resolve their differences was either the Emberites leave or have a war. The town leaders of Sparks discussed the matter and came to the decision that they would make the Emberites leave the next day and if they refused they would use ÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã Å“the weaponÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã Â•. The next day came along and the Emberites found themselves in a tough decision. They did not want to leave, they wouldnÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â„¢t survive but if they stayed everyone in the town would most likely all die too. The leaders of sparks wanted a decision but the Emberites didnÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â„¢t give them one so they brought out the ÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã Å“weaponÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã Â•. They start to fire it but it explodes due to lack of use, and causes town hall to catch on fire. The Emberites watch passively as the people of Sparks try to save the building, most hoping the building will burn down. But Lina decides to help the people of Sparks, causing most of the people of Ember to pitch in and they all succeed in putting out the fire. As this happens, Doon sees that Torren is trapped in the burning tree by the building, rushes in, and bravely saves him before he catches on fire. This act turns around the spiral of resentment and results in a bright future for both the people of Ember and the people of Sparks. The thrilling and suspenseful book keeps your attention throughout the whole story and overall was a fantastic read.

I thoroughly loved the book. Adventurous and thought provoking. I highly recommend this book and the first one in the series

People of Sparks is the second book of City of Ember. Even though it is the second book of a series, it still brings a whole new set of challenges to the main characters, Lina and Doon.The Emberites now live above ground with the people of Sparks. At Sparks, the Emberites have to learn how to adapt to a new surrounding. They even learn new words they have never heard of. At one point though, the people of Sparks and Emberites clash and a war almost breaks out.The way Duprau wrote the book kept me captivated from beginning to end. I had a vivid image of the scenarios going on. One problem I had, however, was the fact that it was very predictable. Everytime a foreshadowing event occurred, it was easy to infer what was coming up. To make the book better, there should have been more plot twists. But, other than that, the book was really good.

My 9 year old does not like to read. However he Loved the first book in this series so I bought the whole series to encourage him to read instead of play video games. I am very happy I purchased

this book series.

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