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Synopsis

After saving Olympus from the evil Titan lord, Kronos, Percy and friends have rebuilt their beloved Camp Half-Blood, where the next generation of demigods must now prepare for a chilling prophecy of their own:Seven half-bloods shall answer the call,To storm or fire the world must fall.An oath to keep with a final breath,And foes bear arms to the Doors of Death.Now, in a brand-new series from blockbuster best-selling author Rick Riordan, fans return to the world of Camp Half-Blood. Here, a new group of heroes will inherit a quest. But to survive the journey, theyÃ¢â ¬â„¢ll need the help of some familiar demigods.

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Customer Reviews

Gr 5-9-This book will delight fans of The Lightning Thief (Hyperion, 2005) as Percy, Annabeth, and others play roles in the new prophecy and its subsequent quest. A few months after The Last Olympian (Hyperion, 2009) ends, Jason wakes up on a bus filled with problem kids from the Wilderness School who are headed to the Grand Canyon. He has no memory of his previous life, but seems to be with his girlfriend, Piper, and his best friend, Leo. The action takes off quickly: storm spirits attack them and capture their coach, who turns out to be a Satyr. Searching for Percy,

who is missing, Annabeth arrives and takes the three to Camp Half-Blood, where they learn that they are demigods. Their parents are gods in their Roman rather than Greek personae. By sunset of the solstice in three days, the teens must rescue Hera, Queen of the gods, or Porphyrion, the giant king created to destroy Zeus and unseat the gods of Olympus, will rise. Their quest takes them across the United States, sometimes flying on a mechanical, 60-foot dragon, as they use their power and wits against Medea, King Midas, and the giant cannibal Enceladus. Riordan excels at clever plot devices and at creating an urgent sense of cliff-hanging danger. His interjection of humor by incongruous juxtaposition-Medea, for example, heads up a New York City department store-provides some welcome relief. The young heroes deal with issues familiar to teens today: Who am I? Can I live up to the expectations of others? Having read the first series is helpful but not essential, and the complex plot is made for sequels.-Connie Tyrrell Burns, Mahoney Middle School, South Portland, ME (c) Copyright 2010. Library Journals LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Media Source, Inc. No redistribution permitted.

Readers longing for a return to Camp Half-Blood will get their wish in the first novel of the Heroes of Olympus series, which follows RiordanÃ¢â ¬â„¢s popular Percy Jackson and the Olympians series and includes some of the same characters in minor roles. The new cast features Jason, Piper, and Leo, teen demigods who are just coming to understand and use their unique abilities as they learn how much depends upon their wits, courage, and fast-developing friendship. Setting up the books to come, the backstory of a master plan to unseat the gods is complex but is doled out in manageable bits with a general air of foreboding. Meanwhile, the action scenes come frequently as the three heroic teens fight monstrous enemies in North American locales, including the Grand Canyon, Quebec City, Detroit, Chicago, Omaha, Pikes Peak, and Sonoma Valley. Flashes of humor lighten the mood at times, but a tone of urgency and imminent danger seems as integral to this series as the last. With appealing new characters within a familiar framework, this spin-off will satisfy the demand for more. Grades 4-8. --Carolyn Phelan

I haven’t read this but my nine year old grandson loves it. We limit his tv time but are a little more liberal with audio books. Let’s just say that in the past he would NEVER turns down the opportunity to watch tv. Several times since this audio book, when his sister runs in to tell him it is tv time, he has declined in favor of the audio book. We are on the third one now, and they have kept his attention through the series.

I have two fictional loves..Percy Jackson and Harry Potter. Both characters are so honest they teach young and old that if you are true to yourself you can see good in the world and things very well can turn out right in the end, even if there is a lot of sacrifice to get there.

This first book in the sequel series to the Percy Jackson books takes place about 4 months after the end of the Last Olympian. There are new main characters, and (obviously) a new problem that needs to be solved. Jason finds himself in a place he doesn't know, with no memory and two friends who swear they've been best friends all year. The new trio finds their way to Camp Half Blood and almost immediately sets off on their quest to save the world. Each one learns about the power of friendship as well as about who they are, what they believe, and what kind of person they want to be. This really is a great book with a lot of Riordan's humorous prose that makes you laugh out loud.The frustrating part comes in when Riordan hints at Percy, barely touches on Annabeth, and only involves Thalia a little bit in the story. Annabeth shows up at the beginning, and throughout the whole book everyone talks about Percy, but you don't find out what happened to him until the end. And then you're just left worrying about what his experience has been like for the time frame of this book, and won't possibly be able to find out until the next is released next fall. A minor problem, considering this series is supposed to be about a different set of characters, but a frustrating one all the same if you love the original Percy Jackson characters.Really, this is an amazing book for people of all ages if you like to laugh out loud when you're reading, and enjoy a good adventure story!

I already loved Rick Riordan from his series "Percy Jackson and the olympians" and "The Kane chronicles" and I thought this series was just as good if not better than those books. I liked the fact that he used Percy and Annabeth from the Percy Jackson series and put them in this series as well, since I was not done hearing about Percy Jackson's story after the series about him was over. But just so you know Percy Jackson doesn't appear much in this first book but more in the rest of the series. Also if you are thinking about reading the Heroes of olympus series, you should consider reading the Percy Jackson series first because it gives you a strong lead into these stories.In this book you not only get to hear about Greek demigods but Roman demigods as well, and it's like that with the rest of the series because there are 4 demigods from the Greek side and 3 from the Roman side that become friends and get together for a mission to save the world, but even if these seven friends get along not everyone from their two different Halfblood camps can compromise so easily (hint, hint)

This was an awesome book about Percy Jackson and some of the other characters from the book series titled Percy Jackson & the Olympians. I recommend this book to those who like both Greek Mythology and Percy Jackson & the Olympians book series.

Four stars, instead of five, as all the Percy Jackson/Olympians were. Not sure if that's because my reading time was limited, so the story stretched over a couple weeks for me, or because rather than immersing into the Roman myths, there was more of a sort of overview, or dip into, instead. The story stays grounded at Camp Half Blood, and with Chiron ... and yet, not ever really fully so.Well, maybe a little of both reasons, perhaps, time .... and bridging of worlds & traditions .... being reasons why 4*, rather than 5*, for me.Interesting, the themes of families divided, resonating throughout the book.(Will add lists of gods and other immortals prominent in the book, later)

This is a great followup series to the first Percy Jackson books. It introduces new characters that quickly become just as familiar as Percy, Annabeth and Grover.

Amazing book couldn't put it down.So sad Percy isn't in it though and doesn't remember Annabeth. I am 13 and I can't wait to finish this series. Hera/ Juno takes her villanous stance and Aphrodite shows a more friendly side than she was showing Percy. I suggest if you love this book like me read the Magnus Chase series though. Right now it is only two books but I can't wait to see what Rick Riordan does with the third book! Amazing series you should definitely read it!!!

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