

Book Review

Name of Book: The Hobbit

Genre: Fantasy

Author: J.R.R. Tolkien

Book Reviewer: Gabe

“Out of the frying pan and into the fire” is a great way to explain this book. The main characters include Bilbo Baggins - a respectable yet secluded Hobbit (and also the protagonist of this book). Gandalf the Grey - a wizard who is always traveling and always sees the good side of things (he is also the character who gets Bilbo caught up in this story). Smaug the Terrible - an evil dragon who happens to be the antagonist of this story. Finally there is Thorin Oakenshield - the heir to the throne of Dwarves who aims to reclaim his mountain kingdom that was taken by Smaug.

This story, written by the legendary J.R.R. Tolkien in 1937, starts off as Gandalf and a band of 13 Dwarves show up at Bilbo’s humble abode in The Shire and convince him to go on a quest of a lifetime. Along the way they run into all kinds of danger; from trolls to goblins to even giant spiders. Their ultimate quest is to reclaim the Dwarven kingdom from the evil dragon Smaug, and to get back the most precious item to the dwarves “the Arkenstone”.

You might wonder why Bilbo was picked to go on this adventure. Bilbo was chosen by Gandalf to steal the Arkenstone from the dragon Smaug because of his size and the smell, as the dragon wouldn’t recognize the smell of a hobbit.

Will Bilbo find the Arkenstone and will the Dwarves take back their mountain? Read the book and find out!

Recommendation:

I would recommend this book to anyone who loves fantasy. This book is short, easy to read and packed with exciting adventures. This book is also really important because it is a precursor to the famous trilogy “The Lord of the Rings”.

Rate the book:  _____ 5/5