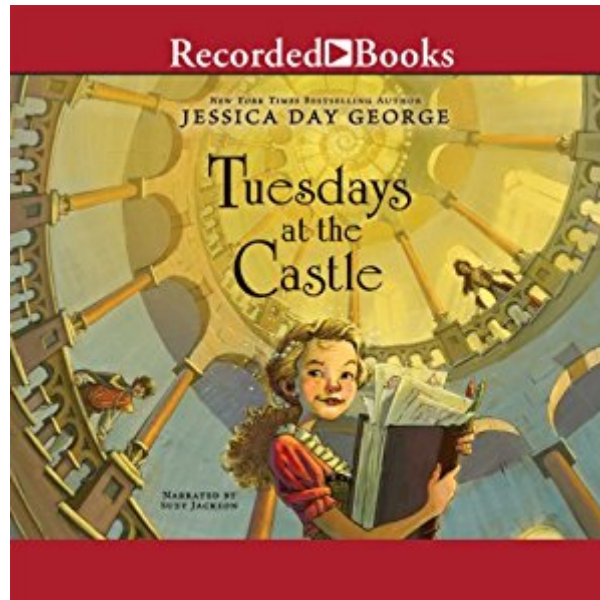




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Tuesdays At The Castle



Synopsis

Tuesdays at Castle Glower are Princess Celie's favorite days. That's because on Tuesdays the castle adds a new room, a turret, or sometimes even an entire wing. No one ever knows what the castle will do next, and no one - other than Celie, that is - takes the time to map out the new additions. But when King and Queen Glower are ambushed and their fate is unknown, it's up to Celie, with her secret knowledge of the castle's never-ending twists and turns, to protect their home and save their kingdom. This delightful book from a fan - and bookseller - favorite kicks off a brand-new series sure to become a modern classic.

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Customer Reviews

"Tuesdays at the Castle" is a delightful tale of the Castle Glower which creates new rooms each Tuesday. The most wonderful part is that the Castle Glower itself has a personality, and it helps the king and his family know whom to trust and whom to despise by their room placement and furnishings. Princess Celie is a spunky and intelligent heroine who leads her family through dangerous times with the help of their beloved castle! This is a great read-aloud book for families with children in middle elementary school.

This is a battle book, and while I am a teacher wanting to be able to engage in what my students are reading, I thought the plot to long to get to the point. Maybe it is because I am an adult. I think my students will enjoy it, but I thought there was a lot of different scenes with intense plot, that many people would enjoy, it took to long to get to that point, and the it took to long from that point to prove

that the castle had been given "personification" traits, to make it to the end.

Tuesday's at the castle is a good book for children and an entertaining read, but might be lacking for the older audience. While I tend to find children's books can be quite deep despite often lacking in a great deal of emotional depth or moral ambiguity, they can also avoid being hung up with 'adult themes' which tend to be little more than childish fantasies themselves (I'm looking at you, romance novels). That being said, while this book is enjoyable, it lacks a certain degree of tension. While most of the book is a character driven story and almost a mystery about whom is being politically deceptive, the book itself kills most of this mystery with the castle character and that's a pity. There is a great deal of political intrigue and some hints of moral ambiguity that would seem surprisingly deep for a children's book if not for the existence of a character whom is seemingly omnipotent and does very little to actually mask what it thinks about things. The whole plot could of easily been handled (for instance) if the castle acted more overtly and I can only assume it did not in order to allow the children a chance to learn a valuable lesson. Ultimately all they needed to do was have a little faith, but I found this personally to be rather disappointing as most of their actions were subtly or otherwise dictated by a force that seemed to be on par with a deity figure. There is a lot here to appreciate, the political intrigue is surprisingly deep even if the morals are sadly rather black and white and some of the characters manage to be deep while more still are sadly flat. I would find this book to be a decent discussion book with a child and maybe worth a read, but I doubt I will read any further books in the Castle Glower series.

I took turns reading this with my eight year old. We both enjoyed the characters and the plot. Very clever of the author to make the Castle alive and with such personality. I'm looking forward to the next book.

Tuesdays at the Castles hooked me from beginning to end with its plot twists and endless action. I wasn't sure I was going to enjoy this book but am now looking forward to reading the rest of this exciting middle grade series.

I love this series! It is geared to the young reader and is clever, fun, suspenseful and continues in 5 more books!

This book is filled with fun, imagination, and a fabulous story of a girl-hero. Highly recommend for all

ages! Loved it.

Celie loves Castle Glower, the magical castle in which she lives with her family. Despite the castle's tendency to confuse everyone and create new rooms and move existing rooms seemingly at its own whim, Celie loves the place. In fact, she knows the castle better than anyone else and her self-created atlas proves it. When her parents disappear, apparently assassinated, her knowledge and connection to the castle become key in helping her brother, Rolf, the Crown Prince, keep his tenuous hold on the kingdom. But when things look blackest can Celie use her knowledge of the castle to save her family? I loved the castle as a setting, I giggled as I read about the castle's way of treating those not worthy of trusting. I also loved Celie's spunkiness and determination to save her home and family. Her brother Rolf is my second favorite character, his sense of humor while dealing with a great deal of pressure from the royal council impressed me. Plotwise, there were a few things that I wondered about, such as why some people acted the way they did, but this didn't bother me much. Mostly I just enjoyed the story for what it was, a fun, exciting story about a living castle and its inhabitants. There was plenty of excitement and humor and I highly recommend this one.

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