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The second installment in the "completely off-the-wall" new trilogy from the author of A HOUSE CALLED AWFUL END is packed with humor and excitement.

In this second Unlikely Exploit, Fergal McNally's brain--last seen in a pickling jar in the basement of Sacred Heart Hospital--is stolen, and the remaining McNally children find themselves mysteriously drawn to Fishbone Forest and the forgotten crumbling mansion that lies at its heart. There they meet the terrifying, teddy-bear-clutching Mr. Maggs, who has a fondness for riddles and is making big plans to change the world...which all sounds rather unlikely, doesn't it?

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Ally Kwok says

Love the unlucky exploits!!

Mitch says

This was an interesting read- a sort of Frankenstein combination of humor and creepiness and weirdness all sown together. I enjoyed it, but am not inclined to seek out more. A convenient read~

Catherine says

Book two gets a little more complicated -- still highly entertaining (thanks in large part to the excellent audiobook narrator), but it leads into the messy final book.

Ashley says

Still good. Maybe not quite as good as the first, but still worth reading. This would be a funny little mystery series for 3rd or 4th grade thru maybe 6th or 7th. In this book, the McNally kids have to venture into the creepy Fishbone Forest to rescue the brain of their dearly departed youngest brother, Fergal. Ready for the final installment!

Kaylee Melendez says

In Heir Of Mystery a lot of strange things are going on. One of them is that Fergal McNally's brain has gone missing. It was last seen in a pickling jar and it was in the basement of the Sacred Heart Hospital. The McNally children go off to find it and they seem to be drawn to the Fishbone Forest. There they find an abandoned old creepy house. In that house they find a scary teddy-bear-clutching Mr.Maggs, he has a plan to make big changes to the world. Read the book to find what happens next in this book.

Edward says

I think this book is amazing because the author stops the story and tells you what is going on in the story. The story is about two girls and two boys trying to get a brain back from a forest. The children then go in to the forest and something bad tries to stop them. At the end something good happens to them. i will recommend this book to people who like mysteries.

Caitie Harrison says

I remember my fifth-grade self finding this book incoherent and confusing, but it was worth a read to find out what had happened after 'The Fall of Fergal.' However, I did end up giving up on the series after this book, and I don't really have a desire to go back and try and read them now or to recommend them to students.

Lindsey says

A pretty good Philip Ardagh... not his best... but I love anything written by him. This series in general is not nearly as good as the Eddie Dicken's Trilogy though.

Doralyn says

This second volume in the series was quite funny. Very dark, however.

Leah Adamowicz says

Reading aloud with my 4th grader. She loves the stories but too many big words and unusual sentence structure for her to read alone. :)

LiA says

Heir of Mystery (Unlikely Exploit #2)

By Philip Ardagh

Recommend to age 8~11

It is not the type of book that I would usually read, since I have never actually quite liked any humorous books. Things are very weird in the book but it's still good.

LiA@

Rob Kane says

I found this book at a book sale and decided to grab it for 20p because it looked like children's horror and as a horror fanatic I do enjoy the odd bit of child horror. It's a welcome little refresher to the horror genre and they can normally be quite funny.

What I found was a delightful little story that I've read three or four times.

The author's approach to this story is absolutely wonderful; it's a style that I hadn't yet seen before, and one

that I found quite humourous - the author interrupts his own story to actually explain what's going on in the story to the readers.

I hadn't read the first in the series but with the author constantly recapping I found myself easily caught up and able to understand book 2 without any difficulty whatsoever.

This book had me in stitches almost all the way through, and I really recommend it to anyone who's looking for a funny book.

The whole concept - a sort of modern day, funny take on Frankenstein is highly interesting and I loved what the author did with it.

5/5; I can't wait to read it again.

Lara says

Grim... and funny!
