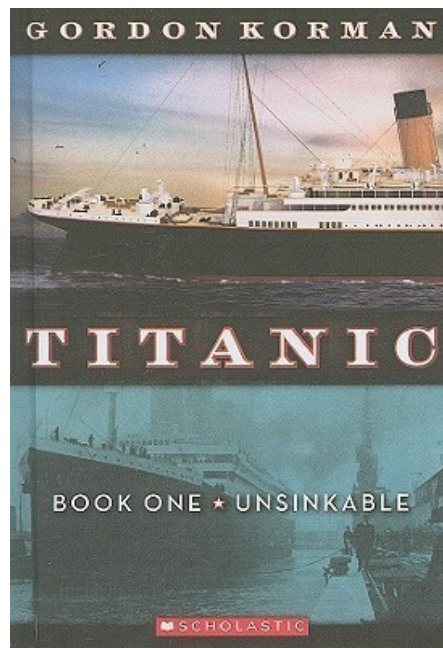




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The Titanic is meant to be unsinkable, but as it begins its maiden voyage, there's plenty of danger waiting for four of its young passengers. Paddy is a stowaway, escaping a deadly past. Sophie's mother is delivered to the ship by police; after she and Sophie have been arrested. Juliana's father is an eccentric whose riches can barely hide his madness. And Alfie is hiding a secret that could get him kicked off the ship immediately. The lives of these four passengers will be forever linked with the fate of Titanic. And the farther they get from shore, the more the danger looms. . . .

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Christine (KizzieReads) says

Very engaging and enthralling!! I love everything Titanic, and this middle grade book is just fantastic. I love the writing, and it is very page turning. I look forward to the next 2 books in the series.

Isaiahvdot says

It's a good intro to the trilogy

R.A. says

{Okay, this is my second attempt to write this review. The first time, I had finished it, was about to save it and the internet turned off! And deleted my whole review in the process! *bangs head on the desk in front of me* WHY?!} Anyway.

Wow! That was incredible!

The Characters:

First, there was quite a lot of characters in this book, so I'll just mention the *main* ones!

Paddy and Daniel - loved them even though they lived on the streets and were "professional" stealers! They had such funny personalities that were totally different from each other! But they were *best* friends! <3 (view spoiler)

Alfie - he was great!! Sad about his ma, but at least he had his Dad - even though that's not the grandest thing either!

Juliana - a rich snob who's Father is a wealthy man that enjoys gambling and drinking! I'm glad she ended up helping Paddy at the end though!

Sophia - okay, I liked her, but her mother? Ha! A totally different story. Her mom has some problems with feminism which gets her into trouble!

The Story-line:

It was amazing!! I've only read one book involving the Titanic, so it was neat to read more about it! Mr. Korman writes really well and the details are great! (Obviously, I don't know if they're all accurate, but my sister has read this series - she knows a lot about the titanic, etc - and she enjoyed it! I'll trust that to be good! :D) I loved the different stories the author put in the lives of the main characters, and that added twist was great!

Content:

A couple swear words, but they were marked out because my sister read this before me!

All-in-all:

Loved it! I can't wait to read the next one - I'm so glad I have it one hand! They are easy-reads that any age range would enjoy! Definitely a book to read for a readathon!! ;)

That ending though! It was so frustrating! I literally read it out-loud to my family, slammed the book on the table, and pounded it my fist! But I'm not going to put it here on my review. If you want to know what I'm

talking about, you'd better read the book! It'll be worth it, because it's pretty amazing! And, if I must add, that little bit of frustration did *not* affect my rating. *coughs and winks*

READ IT!

5*****

Benedict Randhawa says

I liked the book Titanic Because it was a realistic fiction on the Titanic.

Olivia says

A fun group of characters set aboard the Titanic and enter a great floating world. Suspense and intrigue meets them at every turn...I read this so fast. It was simple to understand and so full of fun facts.

I love everything about the Titanic ship and seriously the author has painted it so realistic. It made me want to hop aboard and explore (and jump off before it sunk). Okay, I've read books surrounding the Titanic. Fictional books just like this one and it always, always focuses on the first class. I love how this one focused on stewards and those sort of people. And seriously, racing all over a ship while a gangster is after you!!

I cracked up over Amelia Bronson. Her poor daughter. Seriously. I love how the author painted Amelia in a comical light, because that is certainly how she appears to me. Juliana's, Paddy, and Alfie are the other three main characters who come connected in the story.

There were a couple uses of "devil", one time God's name was used in vain, and one swear word at the end. It is what people would call a "clean" fiction, with several reverent mentions of God and prayer. I wouldn't consider it Christian, though.

So excited to continue reading this series (now that I have all three!)

Virginia Brace says

Gordon Korman has a really great beginning here for his new series about the Titanic. Lives of four diverse young people from England, Ireland, and United States will become intertwined on the voyage and we are left with a powerful cliff hanger when the first book ends. Characters are very good and historical facts and settings most interesting! One the whole family could listen to and enjoy.

Tena Edlin says

This book was a 3 for me until it jumped the shark with a Jack the Ripper subplot out of nowhere. I like Gordon Korman as an author, but that felt way out in left field to me. I was invested in the characters and just didn't think it was necessary. I probably won't read on in the series, which is too bad, because I think it had potential. I'll still booktalk it to my students though... it might be something they'd like.

Michelle Doerr says

I cannot wait to read the next book! Unsinkable is a historical fiction novel aimed for readers 12 and above. Korman introduces four very different characters aboard the Titanic and describes their lives. The book is written with great detail which I love! It easy to picture the images, people, and settings described. I have always been very interested in the Titanic story and this book really fed my reading appetite. After discussing lives and setting up a great plot, the warning of ice was delivered to the captain and he stuck it in his pocket without reading it. Ugh, I hate being left like that, but I love to anticipate how the story will unfold. Unsinkable is appealing to young readers because it is an amazing, unbelievable true story. When I first heard of Titanic, via the movie, I was 12 and extremely intrigued in the story. I always wanted to know more and it is exciting to hear different life stories about passengers. This is a great story to reference history to instruct children.

Emily says

This book was AMAZING!!!!!!!!!! I loved it. During the whole book I just kept thinking to myself what's gonna happen next, and you'd just be on you're toes the whole time. So far I've only read the first one because my language arts teacher had let me borrow it. So I can't wait to borrow the 2nd and 3rd one. I would HIGHLY recommend this book to any age big or small, anybody or any person can read it!!!

Jonathan says

Really like the intro, sad times though.

Evelynn says

OH MY LAND, I CANNOT BELIEVE HOW GOOD THIS WAS.

From my previous experience with Gordon Korman's books, I was expecting, at the most, a rating of 4 or 4.5 stars. BUT THIS. His switch to historical fiction is refreshing, and he's hit the nail on the head with all his research and the vivid characters and twists!

This isn't your average story about the individual people aboard the *Titanic* and how they led separate lives aboard the ship on her maiden voyage just before their demises. This is a story about four lives (and a few more if you want to count the people they come into contact with, including J. Bruce Ismay, Captain E. J. Smith, and Thomas Andrews, all big names concerning the RMS *Titanic*) that become intertwined through circumstances that they would have never dreamed of. All because they boarded the *Titanic* - on purpose or otherwise, as in Paddy's case.

I was going to rate it 4.5 stars because I thought something happened at the beginning of the book, and it made me really sad that Mr. Korman had to throw that in there. (view spoiler)

Bravo, Mr. Korman! I'm completely hooked!

Nick says

I've never been much of a reader but when I started reading Titanic: Unsinkable, I'm starting to read more. At the beginning I wasn't sure whether I would like the book or not but as it progressed I started to enjoy it. This is only the first book out of three and there was a lot of suspense in this one. The main characters in this one are Paddy Burns, Alfie Huggins, Juliana Glamm, and Sophie Bronson. Paddy is an accidental stowaway. Paddy is from the mean streets of Belfast, England hiding from some big and scary gangsters who are after him. Sophie and her mom are delivered to the ship after being arrested for something women had been wanting for a long time. Juliana is the daughter of the Earl of Glamford. Juliana is embarrassed and maybe a little ashamed by her dad. He is often drunk and likes to use his money to Gamble. Alfie is a kid who lied about his actual age so he could work on the Titanic. These four don't know each other very well but as the story goes on they end up helping each other through a series of events aboard the Titanic. This book ends in a cliffhanger and it makes me want to read the second and third books as soon as I can. Right now the suspense is killing me and I need to get my hands on those books. I may only be on the first book of the series but I seriously recommend reading these books.

Jennifer Rayment says

Jake's Review: (Mom's note: Jake hates books on the Titanic, he only read this one because Gordon Korman wrote it.) I really did not like this book because there was way too much talking and it was kinda scary with all the gangster guys. There was way too much detail and I was bored a lot. I think he should have just made 1 story and not three, it would have been much more exciting. A couple of pictures would have been nice too. I think the language is too difficult for someone my age. Mom will love it though, she likes anything to do with the Titanic.

Jake's Rating: 1/10

Mom's Review: Extremely well written introduction to the Titanic tragedy and the lives of the young during the early 1900's for the middle school set. Lots of mystery and intrigue that will keep those in grades 4/5 interested, while at the same time teaching them a bit of history. The little buggers won't even realize they are being taught history as well as some moral lessons. And of course it's about the Titanic which is one of my interests. I highly recommend this as a book for middle school libraries, even better as required reading for a classroom library. Also a must have for all public libraries. As you can probably tell already I really enjoyed this one

Mom's Rating: 9/10

We received this book in exchange for an honest review, and you can really tell ya we gave you an honest opinion from Jake's Review -- Sorry Gordon, the boy does not like the Titanic!

Morgan F. says

I liked the book Titanic Because it was a realistic fiction on the Titanic.

Tabby says

THE REVIEW

Why this book?

I was always fascinated by the Titanic

What I thought

This was a nice little book there wasn't much Titanic action but we get to meet an interesting bunch of characters. I loved how each character was different from the last and they had interesting stories to tell. I'm not usually a big fan of historical fiction but it was cool to see them interact with the big names on the Titanic and know those people were actually there and lived it. I guess that's the point of historical fiction but like I said I don't read it alot. With that said I thought this was good little read
