Book Review - Skulduggery Pleasant Mortal Coil

Author: Derek Landy

Genre: Fantasy/Adventure

Type: Series

I really enjoyed this book and I find it the best, out of the Skulduggery Pleasant series. It was an action packed book with a lot of exciting events, there wasn’t a dull moment in the whole book. The story was enhanced with all the different events going on at the same time such as: all the remnants being let loose, that Valkyrie is really Darquesse, all the talk about the Necromancy passage and also Valkyrie going to Doctor Nye to seal her true name (Darquesse). She was also dead for a few days after Nye took her heart out, and dissected her to try and find the human soul.

There is a trained assassin, Tesseract on the loose and he has the combat skills of Skulduggery, he is the only person in the world who knows how to kill Skulduggery. Tesseract was hired to kill Davina Marr, which eventually he did for the Torment but then he was betrayed and buried alive by the Torment’s accomplices. But he manages to work his way up and out of the grave only to be found by Lord Vile, and killed.

The possessed reach the Hibernian cinema where Professor Kenspeckle works and tried to infiltrate the building. Kenspeckle’s security held them off for a while but once they got in, destruction and havoc was brought upon the place. During this time one of the possessed, Clarabelle (Kenspeckle’s assistant) found the Professor and killed him.

At the end of the story the remnants controlled the people to use as vessels, and they took over the world. A remnant went into Valkyrie and turned her into Darquesse. The only way to stop all the possessed remnants was too teleport all 2,000 to Macgillycuddy where the giant soul catcher is and then start up the giant soul catcher. Skulduggery managed to get the giant soul catcher running and it sucked out all the remnants from the 2,000 possessed. In the end the last remnant inherits Tanith, Valkyrie’s best friend……

I would recommend to people 11 years and older because I find it wouldn’t be suitable for people under 11. I also think that people at an older age will really enjoy it, and read the whole series. Plus the books targeted audience is 12-14 anyway.

Overall it is a really good book and I would definitely read it again.

I think that Derek Landy has yet produced another best-seller all over the world, and will hopefully keep releasing more books for this series.

By Daniel S

**5 out of 5 stars:**