

I am excited to provide the following book review. Firstly, I would like to say that I enjoyed the whole book and this increased as the book progressed towards its ending. I believe that this book is aimed at children possibly in the age bracket of 9-12 years (pre-teens).

I told my dad that this wouldn't usually be a book that I would have picked up off the shelf, but I enjoyed it anyway. When asked why, I mentioned that the cover is interesting and pretty, but I felt it needed something further to capture my eye. After reading the book I decided it was an appropriate cover but that the picture still looks a bit like whales.

I think the type of people that would be interested in this book will be children who enjoy mystery and adventure type of stories because this book is a mixture of the two. There is a lullaby that Ash's parents left him. Ash and his friend Lunar are trying to solve the riddle hidden in the lullaby while going on various adventures on the snow sea. The sea is miles of snow.

I am impressed that the author also illustrated the book. I feel he has drawn images describing what he is thinking leaving the reader satisfied while still able to dream.

I felt like I was part of the crew of FrostHeart. It became a mix of half cartoonish and half real life. The eyes, hair, the clothes and facial accessories sounded real. The story helped me use my vivid imagination to see the sunset as if I was along on the journey. I could almost hear the music and congo drums beating which for a girl who likes music was very well described. I could taste and smell the food and that made it even more interesting. The dumplings description helped me see the crumbs around Lunar's mouth. The author also described the characters and the FrostHeart sleigh very well.

I like the ending because it leaves me wondering what is going to happen next but it doesn't complete the whole story so I hope there will be a second book published in the future.

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