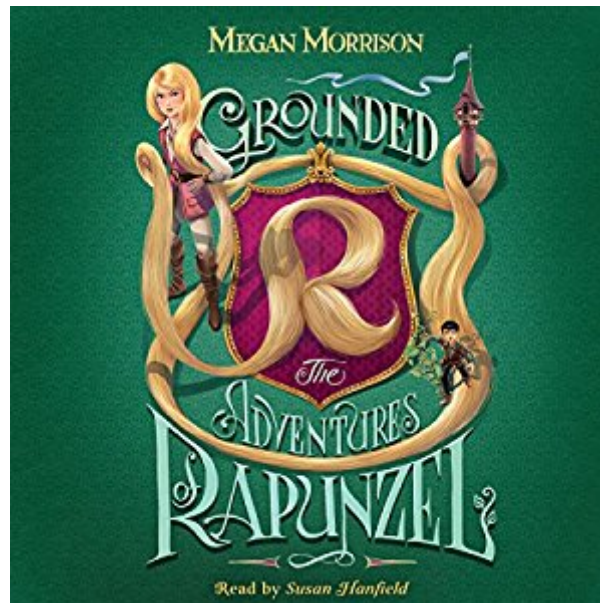




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Grounded: The Adventures Of Rapunzel: Tyme, Book 1



Synopsis

The fairy-tale charm and emotional depth of Ella Enchanted meets the fully developed fantasy world of Harry Potter in this wonderful older middle-grade retelling of Rapunzel. In all of Tyme, from the Redlands to the Grey, no one is as lucky as Rapunzel. She lives in a magic tower that obeys her every wish; she reads wonderful books starring herself as the heroine; her hair is the longest, most glorious thing in the world. And she knows this because Witch tells her so - her beloved Witch, who protects her from evil princes, the dangerous ground under the tower, even unhappy thoughts. Rapunzel can't imagine any other life. Then a thief named Jack climbs into her room to steal one of her enchanted roses. He's the first person Rapunzel's ever met who isn't completely charmed by her (well, the first person she's met at all, really), and he is infuriating - especially when he hints that Witch isn't telling her the whole truth. Driven by anger at Jack and her own nameless fears, Rapunzel descends to the ground for the first time and finds a world filled with more peril than Witch promised...and more beauty, wonder, and adventure than she could have dreamed.

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Customer Reviews

GROUNDLED is one of the most emotionally complex middle grade fantasy books I have ever read (and I've read a lot). Morrison turns the classic tale of Rapunzel into something new and fresh, while still being recognizable as the original fairy tale. Although this book has plenty of fun fantasy adventure and great worldbuilding, at heart this is a book about the complexities of love and family. The relationship between Rapunzel and Witch presented an excellent, nuanced perspective of Stockholm Syndrome. I really felt for Rapunzel during her entire journey. Jack was also a

delightful character, as were the many side characters. Tyme is definitely a world I'd like to hang out in for a while. I know Megan Morrison from her (excellent) Harry Potter fanfic. I am glad to see her writing original fiction and am eagerly awaiting future TYME books.

This has been the first stretch of days that I've had to just read and out of the three books I chose to read this weekend I know this one will stick in my mind for months to come and become a cherished re-read. The cover is delightful and the whole book is quite refreshing in its creativity and honesty. The characters while ranging from giants to faeries to normal humans are complex and the world building is quite fun to interact with. Rapunzel is no cookie cutter Miss and it was fun to see her grow and progress as a character with trusty Jack at her side. The book is interesting from the start and just keeps getting more so. I pretty much read this in one sitting and I could easily see a younger person doing the same as it's truly engaging and fun. The creative details that weave into the world of Tyme make it even more so. I'm looking forward to more adventures in Tyme and hope we get to see what exactly is going on with Prince Frog!

When you think of a childhood classic - that book that you will forever remember as igniting your imagination at an age when that was everything - you will think of this book. It's a fantastic and unexpected story and a literary feat disguised as inspiring fun. My daughter is 7 and we are reading this book together - and I just have to say it has been one of my favorite activities I've ever shared with her. Ms. Morrison is a singular voice in a crowded, much beloved genre. Girls or boys and adults alike will love this book.

This is a cleverly re-imagined coming of age novel - funny, witty and thoughtful. I enjoyed reading it myself very much, and now my 11 year old son is reading it with much the same enthusiasm! Definitely made me think and re-think what I thought I knew about Rapunzel. It may even make the reader reconsider the "fairy tales" of their youth the family lore that's re-told over and over and over again, but may not sound the same when looked at from a fresh perspective. Highly recommended!

This was so much fun to read with my kids (ages 8 through 11). I actually enjoyed it just as much as the kids and was excited to read it together every night! Witty - enough for us to all laugh out loud. Dramatic - enough to bring the tears welling up. Engaging from cover to cover.

Absolutely a wonderful story! In my 20's and enjoyed it as much as a younger child would. The most vivid images are painted and the writing draws you directly into the land of Tyme. I am usually not a fan of fantasy or fairy tales but I cannot get over my love for this book. I would recommend this to absolutely anyone at any age! Can't wait for the sequels!

This review is from my 10 year old daughter: This was an amazing adventure in which I am so glad that I read! I loved all of the detail and I recommend this book completely, 100%. This is a book that I will go back to and read over and over again.

As I read this book, I found myself drawn further into the storyline and loving the main characters. Would love to read more about Rapunzel and Jack's adventures together. This was entertaining from the first page to the last page. Highly recommend this to people of all ages who enjoy reading good stories.

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