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# Bot Wars



## Synopsis

The robots will rise...Twelve-year-old Aiden (Trout) St. Kroix lives with his older brother Po. Their father disappeared two years ago while fighting in the Bot Wars—a devastating conflict that began when robots became so advanced that they revolted and took the lives of thousands of people. When the government banned and declared all bots terrorists, Trout didn't question a thing. In the end, all he wanted was to find his dad. Desperate, Trout posts a video to the internet seeking help with his search, unwittingly unleashing a storm of danger as his brother is suddenly abducted and he is labeled a terrorist and a criminal himself. Trout goes on the run to seek answers, but it turns out that nothing is what it seems—not the government, not the bots, and not even his own father."Strong characterizations and nifty tech.... Kade's robots tread the fine line between the familiar and the alien... resulting in an entertaining reading experience." Publishers Weekly—Science fiction is an exciting genre to explore and this story is an excellent example. It has mystery, romance, complicated family relationships, and ethical themes to consider. Teen readers will appreciate the believable story as well as the fast paced action. Looking at the frightening cover of the book is enough for most readers to dive right into the story. They will not be disappointed.—Children's Literature—Science-fiction fans will enjoy the action and subtle exploration of just what it means to be human.—School Library Journal

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## Customer Reviews

Gr 5-7-The Robot Wars have been over for six months, and the former United States is divided into autonomous districts. "Bots" are banned, except in the Bot Territory. Twelve-year-old Trout lives with his older brother, Po, an injured war veteran, in the heavily militarized 5th District. Their father is missing. Hoping to prove that he's still alive, Trout posts a search appeal for him on the Net. Sure enough, his dad's ID thread comes back on, but the message attracts the attention of the authorities. After Po is arrested, Trout realizes that his father and brother are involved in the Meta-Rise pro-bot resistance movement-and now the police are after him as well. He needs to find his dad and rescue Po, a mission that takes him to resistance headquarters in Bot Territory, and, with secrets everywhere, he isn't sure whom he can trust. The dialogue occasionally struggles with dialect and accent, and the constant repetition of slang gets to be a bit much. Some of the most engaging characters are the robots Trout befriends-for example, steady, courageous LT and clumsy but clever mechanic Scissor. The rather complex story line includes a lot of background information about the wars and the resistance and leaves several plot threads open for potential sequels. Science-fiction fans will enjoy the action and subtle exploration of just what it means to be human.-Elaine E. Knight, Lincoln Elementary Schools, IL (c) Copyright 2013. Library Journals LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Media Source, Inc. No redistribution permitted. --This text refers to the Hardcover edition.

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This is a great book. I'm not sure why it isn't a runaway hit, but it should be. The world building excellent. I believe that the main character lives in a non-robot world and is being propagandized to

by the government which was/is incapable of dealing with sentient independent robots. I don't want to give anything away, but were I a 12 year old again, I would have been so caught up in the magic of this... The magic of youthful imagination is spoken directly to in this story. Give it your consideration.

Wow, bought this for our son and once he started reading it he couldn't put it down!

Fun read for children. Bought as a summer read so they wouldn't sit on ipads all day.

The book was flawless the story was very deep and meaningful, I found myself actually immersed in the story and cried a few times. I felt the emotions of the characters. Overall this book was amazing and I would defiantly recommend this book.

A good ol'e SF read without the sex or "monsters".

The book arrived on time as expected. Will order the sequel book also, since my kids loved the story.

Good book

I ordered as an online book for my sons summer project he liked it and it was super convenient

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