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# Michael Vey 4: Hunt For Jade Dragon



## **Synopsis**

Michael and his friends must rescue a child prodigy as the thrilling action continues in this electrifying fourth installment of the New York Times bestselling series! Michael, Taylor, Ostin and the rest of the Electroclan head to China in search of a girl who may have discovered why Michael and his friends became electric. Her name is Lin Julung, or Jade Dragon, and she's a child prodigy with an IQ higher than Einstein's and Ostin's. But Hatch gets to her first, and the Elgen are holding her prisoner in their Taiwan Starxource plant. Now the Voice wants Michael and the Electroclan to go to Taiwan and free her before Hatch can realize his dreams of an army of electric children. The hunt for Jade Dragon is on, and it's a race against time!

## **Book Information**

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## **Customer Reviews**

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Michael Vey 4 My best friend, Ostin Liss, told me that there is an ancient Chinese curse that says: MAY YOU LIVE IN INTERESTING TIMES My name is Michael Vey, and I'm definitely living in interesting times. Just a year ago that wasn't true. In fact, my life was about as exciting as one of Ostin's clogging recitals. I was just an average, no-name freshman at Meridian High School in Meridian, Idaho "a small town where the only thing above average is the cow-to-human ratio. Don't feel bad if you've never heard of Meridian, Idaho. Neither has anyone else. I lived with my mother, who worked as a checker at the grocery store, in a tiny apartment with eggshell-white walls and green shag carpet. I walked to school every day; avoided bullies, the principal, most types of math, and organized sports; and played video games with my best (and only) friend, Ostin, six out of seven days of the week. And I watched Shark Week twice a year. That pretty much summed up my life. I suppose the only thing vaguely interesting about me was my Tourette's syndrome, which isn't really that interesting because I don't do any of the fascinating things that some people with Tourette's do, like shout out swear words in public or make animal noises. I mostly just blink or gulp a lot. I know, boring. Actually, what I just said about Tourette's being the only interesting thing about me isn't really true. There's something about me that has always been very interesting "I'm just not allowed to tell anyone. I'm electric. Which is what's led to my new and very interesting life. For those keeping score, in the last year I've done the following: • Made friends with a group of kids with electric powers like mine. • Been locked up in a cell and tortured. • Shut down a private school. • Scored a really hot girlfriend. (Still can't believe that one.) • Flown to Peru and rescued my mother. • Been tied up and almost fed to rats. • Blown up a major power plant. • Made Peru's list of most wanted criminals. • Been chased through the jungle by helicopters with flamethrowers. • Lived with the Amacarra tribe in the jungle. • Attacked the Peruvian army and rescued my friends before they could be executed for terrorism. • Blew up the Ampere, a billion-dollar superyacht, before the Elgen could take over and enslave the entire island nation of Tuvalu (which, like Meridian, Idaho, you've also never heard of). Now we're preparing to fly to Taiwan to rescue a nine-year-old Chinese girl from the Taiwanese army and a group of Elgen superninjas called the Lung Li. I have a feeling things are about to get a whole lot more interesting.

I've been reading this series loyally. I loved the first two books, but I have to admit I'm getting more frustrated with each book. How many times can these kids get captured and escape? This book didn't deliver anything I'd hoped for. Given the lead from the third book, and the title of this one, I expected a lot more story surrounding the Jade Dragon, but it felt more like she was only partially thought through, and barely acknowledged, just to justify title. The entire book felt repetitious. It dragged on and on only to end with yet another cliffhanger that felt contrived to sell more books. I honestly felt cheated. I won't be preordering the next book. I will be waiting to see reviews before I decide whether to read it at all.

Bought Richard Evans Newest Book for my grandson. He got me started on this series and I had thought it was only for teens.

Place I work was printing book 6 and I got hooked while doing some of the quality checks on the book. Had to go out and buy the whole series and then wait for this one to be released so I could finally read the whole thing. Highly recommend it, not just for the young, I'm 63 and GREATLY enjoy it.

Finished the book and now anxious for the new one to come out. Loved the book! Love the Electro Clan! When I first heard about the book, I had no interest in it. I even bought several other books before curiosity got the best of me. WOW! It's hard to describe a book like this so I will just tell people that MAY like the author and MAY want to gamble that it MAY be a good book---take my word for it, it's a great story packed with lots of action!!!!

My 5th grade son loves these books! He is an above average reader for his age and it can sometimes be difficult to find age appropriate novels for him to read. these books have some bullying and violence, but no more than you would expect from a superhero novel.

My 13 year old son received this book for Christmas and finished it in less than a week. He couldn't put it down. This is very entertaining and a fantastic story line and plot. The language is clean, which is a plus for me, and there isn't really much of a love story which is good for him. My boy has really enjoyed this series, and I can't seem to get them here fast enough. When I ask him, he says he would recommend this book for teens and adults alike. I didn't read it, but based on his inability to stop reading, I would recommend it. However, he and I would highly recommend starting on book

one, "Michael Vey Prisoner of cell 25".

I love these books. Number four is not losing momentum at all. I've been reading RPE from the very beginning. He has found something very different in himself with these Michael Vey books. This is just great storytelling, great writing, great characters with morals and values. I'm so tired of moral relativism and female anti-heroes which are all the rage right now, where nothing is ever really evil and no one is ever really good. Here you will find the opposite concepts; corruption and greed balanced against sacrifice, forgiveness and redemption. I would read it to my 8-10 year old the first time through because, honestly, it's scary. There are a couple of spots where I had to put it down, and several spots that made me cry. The cliff hanger is killer and may evoke some tough emotions in kids. I can't wait to read these books to my grandkids when they are old enough. Mostly because it will give me an excuse to re-read them myself.

After reading the visible reviews, I was a bit gun shy to read this book. Then I took the time to read the "other" reviews and wondered why those two were featured. So, the story didn't end the way those readers wanted it to end. But this is a series and books and movies in series often end with cliffhangers. I can't wait to read the next one and how many more will there be in the series? Do the Elgen ever bite the dust? Does HRH Hatch ever run out of people to stomp on and destroy? Will no one ever stand up to him with finality? The next installment will answer some questions....

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