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Shipwreck Island



Synopsis

Sarah Robinson is deeply troubled in the wake of her dad's second marriage. She now has to deal with a new stepmom and two stepbrothers, Marco, who is her age, and Nacho, who's younger. Even though they've all moved from Texas to California to start life as a new, blended family, none of the kids seem remotely happy about it. Sarah's dad and stepmom then decide to take the whole family on a special vacation in order to break the ice and have everyone get to know one another. They'll fly to Tahiti, charter a boat, and go sailing for a few days. It'll be an adventure, right? Wrong. Dead wrong. Shipwreck Island is the first installment in a series from S.A. Bodeen.

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while encountering freakish animals, bizarrely dangerous weather, and a creepy, empty house. This is intensely readable and will be excellent for reluctant readers. Should be popular with fans of adventure, fantasy, and the slightly sinister. B. Allison Gray, Goleta Public Library, CA

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My granddaughter absolutely loved this story!

This book was not what I expected. It was pretty good though and a quick read. I am going to continue the series because I have to know what happens.

Wow! I loved the book. Is there a sequel for this? It kind of left me hangin at the end. Really, who wouldn't like this book? I will read 10 more times if I wanted to, which I do so I'm done typing! LOVE IT!!!

This was a great book it kept me guessing but slowly let out some answers. I can't wait to read the second one !!!!!!! totally recommend.

LOVE THIS AUTHOR OF CHILDREN'S BOOKS

11 year old loved this book.

I loved this story! This is quite a cliff hanger ending!

It was great but the end left me hanging.

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