

BOOK RESUME: THE FAMILY FLETCHER TAKES ROCK ISLAND

BOOK SYNOPSIS

The Fletchers are back on Rock Island, home of all their best summer memories. But from the first day they arrive, it's clear that this year, things have changed. FIRST, a giant fence is blocking their beloved lighthouse. SECOND, they have new neighbors. THIRD, who the heck is the weird artist guy who's never actually painting? And FOURTH, there's now an ice cream truck! Can the island stay the same even with these crazy transformations?

Over the course of the summer, the Fletchers will learn that sometimes, even in a place where time stands still, the wildest, weirdest, and most wonderful surprises await.

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REVIEWS AND PRAISE

- ★ "There is constant action and delightful humor, but there are also realistic present-day problems and happy solutions. An old-fashioned summer adventure set in a very modern world, this lively family tale will leave readers impatient for more. "-Kirkus, Starred Review
- ★"A must-have middle grade family story with contemporary sensibilities." -School Library Journal, Starred Review

"While the other story lines reach satisfying resolutions, this one— about a young African American male struggling to figure out his identity in the largely white landscape of Rock Island—leaves room for thought-provoking, timely discussion. —Horn Book

"Lots of kids will want to take this along on their summer vacations."—Booklist

AWARDS AND ACCOLADES

- Selection 2016: A Junior Library Guild Selection
- Selection 2017: Cooperative Children's Book Center (CCBC) Choices

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