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From Reader Review Mandie and the Ghost Bandits for online ebook

Amy says

Good clean Christian story full of mystery and laughter.

Johnny Bennett says

This one wasn't as great as the first two, but just barely. Mandie starts to develop as a character and the interactions between her and her friends become more real. The adventure is fun and carries the plot along at a decent pace.

It might affront some with the intermingling of religion into the book, to the point it almost becomes a plot crutch, but it isn't horribly aggressive or egregious. Probably 2nd to 6th grader girls are the target audience and I see no reason why this wouldn't appeal to them.

Kristin says

I read this series as a kid and am now re-reading them to my daughter at bedtime. They are fun, easy reads with Christian morals. This is book 3 of the series, and while it has its own plot, there are several items of interest that carry over from, and reference back to, the first 2 books. I would suggest reading them in order, but you can still enjoy the book if you choose not to.

Twyla says

my favorite part was when mandie got all of her gold safely into the bank. the woirst part was when the ghost bandits took mandie and some of her friends and trapped and hidden them. my favorite character was Mandie because she always solves the mysteries and makes a happy ending. The worsatcharacters were the ghost bandits because the were being mean. Auryn 11 years old, 2014

Rachel says

The Mandie books are fun Christian mysteries for children, but I still love reading them. Even though she doesn't age very quickly and seems to get far too many breaks from school during the year, she's a lot of fun.

Laura says

Cool.

Superreader200 says

I love this book I like it when the gold cart gets lose and the gold gets stolen. It is sad though when Uncle Ned get sick, I wish I could jump inside the book and follow along!!

wanderer says

I admit it: I am reviewing these books years after reading them. However, do not even suggest that I'm no longer qualified, that too many years have passed to remember. My battered and faded copies of these books testify to how many times I read them growing up and plots and entire passages are seared in my memory forever.

Snowball always ran away, Mandie always got in trouble, Uncle Ned always rescued her, and Joe and Tommy bristled at each other. I myself prefered Joe, but Tommy's cosmopolitan airs nearly tipped the balance a time or two. I recall- fondly and as though it were yesterday- my glee when Mandie went off to Europe, my disgust at the new baby, my delight in Mandie's wardrobe of sky blue frocks, my puzzlement at all her near escapes and handy school vacations, my terror during the daring midnight adventures. Ah me, to be young and silly again...

If I had written goodreads reviews at the age of eleven, all Mandie books would've received automatic five-star ratings and gushing descriptions. As an adult, I will honestly give them all three stars, except for my special pets. And if I ever have a little girl, I will buy her the entire set. Oh, and *did* you know there are more than forty books in the series by now? And I'm guessing Mandie never grows up, either.

Isaac Butterworth says

Mandie and the Ghost Bandits is the third book in Lois Gladys Leppard's Mandie series. (There are twenty-four in all!) The reader of Ms. Leppard's books should bear in mind that these volumes were (1) written for preteens, for girls in particular, (2) based on her grandmother's experiences growing up in the first few years of the Twentieth Century, and (3) characterized by a dated writing style. They are, however, entertaining, and they bear witness to a strong faith.

The dramatic question that moves *Mandie and the Ghost Bandits* forward is whether Mandie and her friends will find the gold they discovered in a cave and the bandits who stole it. During the course of pursuing that goal, the eleven-year-old lead character learns important lessons about herself and others. Her faith in God's Providence and her obedience to His commands are rewarded with blessing upon blessing. Mandie is pure-hearted, loving, loyal, and very likeable, even if she is sometimes a bit "preachy."

Parents of upper elementary age children will find Leppard's books suitable for good, family-friendly reading. Each volume is short (less than 150 pages), highly readable, and easy to carry around.

Lindsey (Books for Christian Girls) says

About this book:

“A gold shipment, a train wreck on a moonlit night, and a gang of robbers disguised as “ghosts” are all part of this suspense-filled adventure!

Will Mandie and her friends be able to unravel the mystery of the missing gold?

Join Mandie and her friends on another exciting adventure!”

Series: Book #3 in “*Mandie*” series. (Read #1’s review [Here!](#) Read #2’s review [Here!](#)) {There also is the “*Young Mandie Mystery*” series, (Book #1 review [Here](#) and Book #2 review [Here!](#)) but they do not conn

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Leta Blake says

My 9yo says, "It got interesting after the first few chapters."

Esther says

I read this book at the request of a little girl who wanted me to read it so we can talk about it. The main character believes in prayer. The author stretches reality to get children involved in solving a mystery about stolen and missing gold.

Kathleen Joy says

I did not like this book as much as the other two previous books. It was boring. I was disappointed when they all got captured again in the beginning like they did in the second book. The rest of the book they were just searching for the gold, again. I was hoping that they would do something new, but they did not so it took me a little longer to get through this book.

Kristine Hansen says

For goodness sake, I would hate to be the parents of any of these kids the way they disappear for days on end and wind up in dangerous situations!

Mandie and her friends are on a train taking the Cherokee gold to the big city, only someone has gotten wise to the plan and made off with the gold - and with Uncle Ned! A derailment, a long wandering in the wilderness keeps the pace moving quickly. Again, I get a little fed up with the preachiness aspect, but I like the characters despite all of that and am glad to see some flaws surfacing in the perfect Mandie now and again. Overall this is not my favorite of the series, but it's worth reading, especially for the sake of continuity as you go forward in the series.
