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Synopsis

At fourteen, Matt Cambridge has executed so many pranks-the latest nearly destroying his school-that his parents are out of discipline options. So his father pulls a few questionable strings to get his son into Camp Friendship: a camp that promises to strengthen the moral compass of today's youth. With a name like Camp Friendship Matt imagines three punishing weeks of daisy chains and Kumbayas. Within minutes of arriving at the camp, however, Matt's nearly killed-twice. It doesn't take long for him to realize there's more to this picture-perfect place than meets the eye. What sort of summer camp has classes in forging passports? Why do they have endless fight training, and weapons drills, and what is with the hidden rooms? Matt wonders if his parents realize they've enrolled him in what seems to be some kind of freakish, elite spy school. What Matt doesn't yet know is that Camp Friendship's ultimate purpose is far more sinister than he could possibly have imagined. With each dot he connects, he begins to understand that in the end he'll be left with two choices: pull the prank of a lifetime to escape this place . . . or die trying.

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"Disruption is that amazing YA action/adventure book that you have been looking for ever since you finished the Alex Rider series. Action packed and as funny as a cabin full of psychopathic teens can

ever be, this book will undoubtedly hold the attention of even the most reluctant of readers."

Goodreads Reviewer" This was an amazing read! I really loved reading this, It reminded me of so many great books, like Artemis Fowl and The Maze Runner. I really loved Matt's character and how he grew throughout the story." Goodreads Reviewer "The originality of the story is definitely a bonus that keeps the reader wanting more, as are the interesting main characters. . . . The general nature of the book and the strong protagonist make it a good choice for boys. The ending seems to promise an enticing sequel." --PUBLISHERS WEEKLY--

This was one of my favorite books to write. I am hard at work polishing book #2 right now, and hope to get it out in 2017.

Cover to cover excitement and a cliffhanger at the end of every chapter. Hard to put down. Can't wait for the next installment

I tend to avoid YA novels as I have more than enough to read, and if I add another genre to the mix, I'll never read everything I would like to, not that I will anyway. However, this novel's description really caught my eye, and I thought I would give it a try. At the very beginning of the book, I have to admit I wasn't sure I was going to like it because the protagonist came across a little bit of a brat. However, once the book got going, I was completely and totally hooked. The protagonist didn't take long to grow on me; the book was full of suspense, so much so I couldn't wait to find out what was going to happen next; and the book was extremely well-written. By the end of the book, Matt had done a lot of growing up, and I really liked him. I did read several reviews after I finished reading this that said it was a little far-fetched, especially the end. I say, so what? I was completely and utterly entertained from start to finish which is what I want in a book, and this book has plenty of that. I liked it so much, I am going to get my 13-year-old son to read it because I think he would love it, as well. Do yourself a favor and pick this book up today. It is really worth it! Highly recommend! Thanks to the author for the e-book which I read voluntarily. This exact review will be posted on both [Amazon](#) and Goodreads.

I love a good fantasy read, unfortunately there are way more misses in that department than hits (though I've definitely read some good ones!)... especially in middle grade/young adult lit. But really, I think the market is over saturated. Let's see something different from magic and the elements and finding some hidden destiny, okay? Disruption was refreshing in this way. It's still a middle grade

novel, but it's about kids. And while they're not your typical kids, everything feels real in a this-is-our-world kind of way. I actually loved the story: Matt plays a prank and it goes wrong, his dad is tired of the pranks and gets him enrolled in a summer camp that he hopes will straighten him out. Of course, Matt quickly realizes things aren't quite what they seem. And with that we are left to figure things out right along side of him. About halfway through the book I kept wondering why the title Disruption? but that becomes apparent by the end of the story. I actually only have three quibbles with the book. 1. The exact same description of Matt's unsteady appetite is used twice in the book. I told you it was a quibble. It was fine the first time, but it stood out to me upon repetition. 2. I didn't really like how Matt had an attitude about school and thinking students who did well were geeky, nerdy, etc etc. I realize some kids have this perspective, but not everyone and it could turn some kids toward thinking that way. But that is hardly the focus of the book, and is easily forgiven in this case. 3. This one is a little more substantial. I would've preferred a different ending. I think this story would've worked best as a stand alone novel, not the start of a series. I won't give spoilers, but I think the choice offered at the end of the book is unrealistic, and since the whole book felt real to that point, it was a shame. I get wanting to make a series, but I'm not sure they'll have the same feel to them this book did. I think they'll require a greater suspension of belief, but I could be wrong. The book is well paced, and I think this is a great book to hand reluctant readers. I plan on giving this book to my nephew. It's well written, has a good hook, and is definitely worth a read. 4 stars. I was given a complimentary ecopy of this book in exchange for my honest opinion.

If you or your kids like the Percy Jackson books, I think you'll like this book too. Our main character Matt is sent to a summer camp and the story quickly picks up the pace. Things aren't as they originally seemed for the group of campers. This book pleasantly surprised me. I expected an average read and it definitely was above average. The characters were very well crafted and the interaction flawless. While this is a YA book, as an adult there are a lot of YA books I enjoy reading and this is a perfect example. I definitely want to read more books by this author. A+ read.

It's really nice to find a YA novel that focuses much more on interesting characters and the fascinating relationship dynamics between peers - rather than the usual angsty love triangle (roll eyes). This book was a great, fast read and would especially appeal to teenage boys, I think. I love how each of the characters had unique voices - and how the author was able to make me care for them - despite the fact the lines between "good" and "evil" had become a bit blurred and you

learn things about some characters that should make you recoil in horror - but somehow, Whibley makes them so "human" that you care about them and find it hard to judge blindly. There are some descriptions of violence but it is all in keeping with the storyline and not gratuitous at all. I think my favourite character was Juno - for some reason, I kept seeing him as a young, teenage version of Agent Zero from the Wolverine movies! :-) Overall, a really enjoyable read!

I was invited to read this book by the author for free but because of my own lack of tech skills I couldn't download it. Twice! Then Mr. Whibley offered to send me a coupon via to purchase the book. Again through my own fault I couldn't find it. However because of reading The Dean Curse Chronicles I knew I had to read this book. I purchased it and it was a great investment. This book is an exciting read that lets you imagine yourself into the lead character Matt. I found excuses to sneak away so I could read another page. I won't rehash what the book is about. You can read the description yourself. I am a Steven Whibley fan and I can honestly say his books won't let you down. I can't wait for other installments.

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