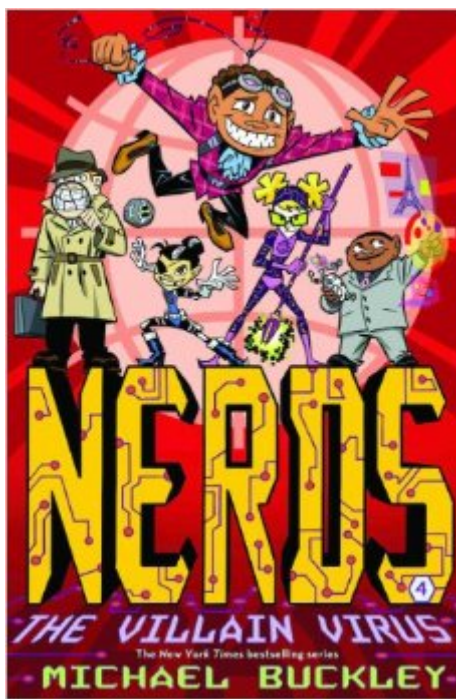


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NERDS: Book Four: The Villain Virus



Synopsis

A virus has infected the Arlington, Virginia, home of the NERDS headquarters, and it's much worse than your run-of-the-mill flu. Instead of coughing and sneezing, the victims of this voracious virus are transformed into superintelligent criminal masterminds. Soon nearly everyone is plotting to take over the world. With more people breaking out into evil cackles every day, it's up to Flinch, the hyperactive superspy with a sweet tooth, to stop the virus. Flinch will have to miniaturize himself and take a fantastic voyage through supervillain Heathcliff's body to fight white blood cells, stomach acid, and a nest of nasty nanobytes in the hope that he can save the world from the Villain Virus.

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Customer Reviews

Each book in this series has focused on a different member of the NERDS team, and this time around the focus is on Flinch. His special harness converts his junk food fueled hyperactivity into super speed and strength, but his jitters don't allow his brain to think and plan, so he is surprised when he starts being put in charge of missions. And there are a lot of them because it seems like every day some new super villain is cropping up with a new plan to take over the world. But when a member of NERDS does the same thing, they begin to realize that there is a virus on the loose. Meanwhile, the team has started a new school year at Thomas Knowlton Middle School, and their new principal, Ms. Dove, is watching them like a hawk. Can they still get away to save the day without getting into trouble? And will the entire world succumb to the villain virus before a cure is found? As with the other books in the series, this one features lots of action and some good

suspense wrapped in some great laughs. I was always easily pulled into the book and the pages flew by. The action was almost non-stop, and a couple of the scenes actually did have me laughing out loud. I did find a plot hole (error? glitch?) in the climax, but it is a minor issue. While all the members of NERDS are in every book, the central character is the one who gets the most development, and watching Flinch grow was really rewarding. He'd been the hardest of the kids to figure out before, so I enjoyed getting to know him better here. Fans of the series will certainly enjoy catching the latest adventures of the team. I would recommend starting the series at the beginning since certainly earlier books are spoiled by what happens here.

Flinch was great in book 4 and a valuable lesson was learned about perseverance and self confidence. We read the series as a family at night and we are eagerly awaiting book 5. Can't wait to see what becomes of both Heathcliff and Ms. Holiday.

My son grabbed the first Nerds book off of the shelf one night because we made him read. Once he started, it didn't last long and neither did the following four! He's bummed out that he has to wait another month for the fifth one. He is 9 and in 4th grade and each book lasted him about a week.

Book 4 in a series that I can't praise highly enough. My son is in the 6th grade, and HATES reading more than anything in the world. His teacher suggested this series, and I can't get him to put these books down. That alone is worth 100X what I paid. The story follows a group of spy kids, who's super powers originate from their supposed weaknesses - asthma inhalators that double as jet packs, braces that transform into anything, etc...They use their powers to save the world from various villains. In this book, there is a virus outbreak that takes over people's minds and is turning everyone into villains, even the spies themselves!

Ahhhhhh ! That was surprising . what like how in the the world . I LOVED IT. At the end of the book you have a surprise with miss holiday. It's just wow. there are no words I have to say the books just get better.

My son is a very picky reader. He likes funny books, but has to "relate" to the characters. I have bought so many books over the past few years that have gone unread. I purchased the "NERD" series for him, and he can't put them down! I am THRILLED that he has finally found a book series that he loves and enjoys reading!

We have most of the Nerds books and my son really enjoys them. They are creative and fun and I think the author does a great job tackling many issues kids face in school today--not fitting in, bullying, and self-image, among other things. Really enjoyable books! Fun, witty and imaginative!

My son absolutely loves this series. He is not much of a reader and it is always a challenge to find books he has an interest in reading. This series is the exception. He actually anticipated the arrival of this book so he could start reading it.

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