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### Thieves like Us

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Cole, Stephen. *Thieves like Us*. Bloomsbury, 2006. ISBN 1582346534. \$16.95. 352 p.

Reviewer: Angel Pearce

Reading Level: Young adult

Rating: Excellent

Genre: Adventure stories;

Subject: Interpersonal relations--Juvenile fiction; Adventure and adventurers--Juvenile fiction;

Books--Reviews;

In this fast-paced novel, Jonah Wish, a brilliant hacker, is extracted from a juvenile prison where he is serving time. His new benefactor, Nathaniel Colehardt (his last name clearly a play on words), is everything one would expect and at the same time nothing one is quite sure of. Is he really a nice guy or an evil genius? Jonah joins a crew of brilliant but odd teens as they race to find a priceless artifact that could bring eternal life. For the rest of the crew, it's another day on the job – they have accepted their way of life and its risks.

The first few pages of this book will grip the reader. The heart-pounding adventure deals with Jonah's conscience and developing sense of who he is. Definitely a great read for thriller fans, though some readers may find the language offensive. Fans of the *Alex Rider* books (fifth and sixth grade) will enjoy this novel.