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Book Review

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During a class field trip to Washington, DC, the Code Busters (a club of four kids) try to be the first team to follow clues to visit places in DC and win the visit with a real FBI agent. During the hunt, one of the students in the class disappears, and it looks like the game is over. However, the Code Busters have noticed several clues and they determine to figure out what is going on and where the missing classmate is. Through following clues and decoding messages, they find the missing classmate and simultaneously win the prize.

The characters of the book are somewhat shallow. The focus is on the codes and the story line, with little development of the characters. The plausibility is a little far-fetched, but not enough to stop you from reading. The solutions to various codes used throughout the book are found in the back of the book. The reader can solve the codes along with the characters of the book, making this interactive and fun. For those who are impatient and don't want to work through the clues, the answers are also located in the back. The solving is straightforward and easy for a good reader to solve. This is a quick read, and really will be best for those who love to figure codes out and solve a puzzle by themselves.

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Rating

Excellent

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Intermediate

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